



St. Martin's Anglican Church

August 8, 2021

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Morning Prayer

Prelude *Meditation*, Gabriel Dupont (1878-1914)

Opening Hymn (organ) New Every Morning Is the Love, vs. 1 & 6

New every morning is the love
our wakening and uprising prove;
through sleep and darkness safely brought,
restored to life and power and thought.

Only, O Lord, in thy dear love,
fit us for perfect rest above;
and help us, this and every day,
to live more nearly as we pray.

The Invitatory

Lord, open our lips,
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Lord is in his holy temple:

O come, let us worship.

Venite

Psalm 95.1–7

Come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his for he made it, and his hands have moulded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our maker.

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

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O come, let us worship.

Jubilate

Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and call upon his name.

For the Lord is good;

his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

The Lord is in his holy temple:
O come, let us worship.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel:

The king ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom." And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men, Joab's armour-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him. Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, "Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you." The king said to the Cushite, "Is it well with the young man Absalom?" The Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man." The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130

¹ Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

² Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!

³ If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?

⁴ But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.

⁵ I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;

⁶ my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.

⁷ O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.

⁸ It is he who will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.

Second Reading Ephesians 4:25 - 5:2

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians:

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and

work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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Gospel Reading John 6:35, 41-51

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to the people, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the

wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Moment of Silent Reflection

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Intercessions #7:

Let us pray in faith to God our Father, to his Son Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit, saying, "Lord, hear and have mercy."

For the Church of the living God throughout the world, let us ask the riches of his grace.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For all who proclaim the word of truth, let us ask the infinite wisdom of Christ.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For all who have consecrated their lives to the kingdom of God, and for all struggling to follow the way of Christ, let us ask the gifts of the Spirit.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For Elizabeth our Queen, for the Prime Minister of this country, and for all who govern the nations, that they may strive for justice and peace, let us ask the strength of God.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For scholars and research-workers, that their studies may benefit humanity, let us ask the light of the Lord. We pray for all who are affected by COVID-19 in any way, shape, or form. We give thanks for all who work and serve and care for others, especially all essential workers and those who work in care homes and hospitals.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For all who have passed from this life in faith and obedience, let us ask the peace of Christ.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

The Collect

Almighty God,
you sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church.

Open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love, joy, and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to
say,

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Dismissal

Priest: Let us bless the Lord, Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God, Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the
fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn (organ) This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made, vs. 1 & 4

This is the day the Lord hath made,
its hours to God are known;
let heaven rejoice, let earth be glad,
and praise surround the throne.

Hosanna in the highest strains
the church on earth can raise;
the highest heavens in which he reigns
shall give him nobler praise.

Postlude *Capriccio*, Girolamo Frescobaldi (1583-1643)

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Announcements

Rev. Shelly's Away Dates – Rev. Shelly will be on vacation until August 9. In the event of a pastoral emergency during this time, please contact Michelle Loftus (macloftusATgmailDOTcom)

Reopening – Our reopening date is tentatively scheduled for August 29. We will have one service that day at 10 AM. All COVID-19 protocols will be in place, and pre-registration is mandatory. Registration information will be available closer to the date.

Coffee Hour on hold – Our Sunday Coffee Hour will resume on August 15.

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