

Zoom Worship for Sunday, Oct. 23, 2022

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Silence

Gathering Hymn: "Seek ye first"

Hymnal #711

**1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
And its righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you,
Allelu, alleluia.**

Chorus:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu, alleluia.

**2. Ask, and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and ye shall find;
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you,
Allelu, alleluia.**

Chorus

Opening Verse, Confession & Absolution

Officiant Sow for yourselves righteousness; reap steadfast love; break up your fallow ground; for it is time to seek the Lord, that God may come and rain righteousness upon us. Amen.
(Hosea 10:12)

I invite you to bow your head, or take some other posture of humility before God.

A brief silence for reflection follows.

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant

Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**
Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God;
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

Officiant Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; come let us adore God.

Song of Praise

Once the song is familiar, Sections 1 and 2 can be sung against each other.

1
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.
Bles - sed are you com - ing near. — Bles - sed are you com - ing here — to your
13
church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead. —
2
You are ho - ly, — you are whole - ness, — you are pres - ent. — Let the
23
cos - mos praise you, — Lord! — Sing ho - san - na — in the
27
high - est! — Sing ho - san - na! — Sing ho - san - na to our God!

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Song of Faith: Psalm 65 (ICEL translation)

Praise is yours, God in Zion! Now is the moment to keep our vow,

For you, God, are listening.

All people come to you, bringing their shameful deeds.

You free us from guilt, from overwhelming sin.

Happy are those you invite and then welcome to your courts.

Fill us with the plenty of your house, the holiness of your temple.

You give victory in answer to our prayer.

You inspire awe, God, our savior, hope of distant lands and waters.

Clothed in power, you steady the mountains;

You still the roaring seas, restless waves, raging nations.

People everywhere stand amazed at what you do,

East and west shout for joy.

You tend and water the land. How wonderful the harvest!

You fill your springs, ready the seeds, prepare the grain.

You soak the furrows and level the ridges.

With softening rain you bless the land with growth.

You crown the year with riches; all that you touch comes alive.

Untilled lands yield crops; hills are dressed in joy.

Flocks clothe the pastures, valleys wrap themselves in grain.

They all shout for joy and break into song.

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God;

As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

First Reading: Joel 2:23-28

Reader A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

O children of Zion, be glad

and rejoice in the Lord your God;

for he has given the early rain for your vindication,

he has poured down for you abundant rain,

the early and the later rain, as before.

The threshing floors shall be full of grain,

the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will repay you for the years

that the swarming locust has eaten,

the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,

my great army, which I sent against you.

You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,

and praise the name of the Lord your God,

who has dealt wondrously with you.

And my people shall never again be put to shame.

You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,

and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other.

And my people shall never again

be put to shame.

Then afterward

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;

your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

your old men shall dream dreams,

and your young men shall see visions.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle: A Song of Holy Wisdom

(Wisdom of Solomon chapter 7)

**Wisdom is a breath of the power of God,
and a pure emanation of the glory of the Almighty.
She is a reflection of eternal light,
and an image of divine goodness.
In every generation she passes into holy souls
and makes them friends of God, and prophets;
for God loves nothing so much
as the person who lives with Wisdom.
She reaches mightily from one end of the earth to the other,
and she orders all things well.**

The Gospel Reading: Luke 18:9-14

Reader A reading from the Gospel of Luke.

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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The Sermon

The Rev. Miranda Hassett

The Prayers

Officiant We now enter a time of prayer. You may wish to bow your head, open your hands, or prepare your body for prayer in some other way.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Now, let us pray as God's beloved children, using the prayer Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Send prayer requests to prayers@stdunstans.com.

- Officiant* Let us continue in prayer. We will hold up our needs and blessings to God. You can speak your prayers out loud, type them into the Chat area, or hold them in your heart. As you are able, please hold others' prayer requests before God in your heart as well.
- Officiant* Let us pray for all churches and their leaders, and for all God's people everywhere.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.
- Officiant* Let us pray for all those in authority.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.
- Officiant* Let us pray for all nations and peoples.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.
- Officiant* Let us pray for the earth and the whole created order.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.
- Officiant* Let us pray for our local communities.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.
- Officiant* Let us pray for those in any need or trouble, especially those on our parish prayer list: ... You are invited to name others in need of prayer, and to hold up your own struggles to the light of God's love.
The people may offer additional names.
- Officiant* Let us pray for all who have died, and for those who mourn.
The people may offer additional names.
- Officiant* Let us pray for our common life and work as God's people.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Officiant may read one of the following Collects as well:

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting One, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Sharing of Blessings

Officiant Does anyone have any blessings or celebrations to share with the assembly today?

The Passing of the Peace

Celebrant You shall go out in joy and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People **And also with you!**

Celebrant Let us speak Christ's peace to one another. ...

Announcements

The Blessing & Dismissal

Celebrant Holy God, your mercy is over all your works,
and in the web of life each creature has its role and place.
We praise you for ocelot and owl, cactus and kelp, tide and topsoil.
Give us humility to recognize all creatures as your beloved ones,
And share the bounty of creation with all our neighbors.
And may the blessing of the Holy and Undivided Trinity be upon us, now and always.
Amen.

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

Sending Song

**Go now in peace, go now in peace.
May the love of God surround you
Everywhere, everywhere, you may go.**