Hymns, Readings, and Collect

Sunday 19 July 2020 Sixth Sunday after Trinity

If on our daily course our mind be set to hallow all we find,

God will provide for sacrifice.

will furnish all we need to ask,

to bring us daily nearer God.

room to deny ourselves, a road

new treasures still, of countless price,

The trivial round, the common task,

Opening Hymn: New every morning

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

New mercies, each returning day, hover around us while we pray; new perils past, new sins forgiven, new thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.

> 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.

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The Collect

Merciful God, you have prepared for those that love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 44: 6-8

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

The New Testament Reading: Romans 8: 12–25

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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The Gospel Reading: St Matthew 13: 24–30, 36–43

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." '

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Offertory Hymn: Lord of all hopefulness

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy, be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, be there at our labours, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace, be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm, be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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Anthem: Look at the world

Look at the world: everything all around us. Look at the world: and marvel every day. Look at the world: so many joys and wonders, so many miracles along our way.

Refrain:

Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation. Give us thankful hearts that we may see all the gifts we share and every blessing, all things come of thee. Look at the earth: bringing forth fruit and flower. Look at the sky: the sunshine and the rain. Look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, valley and flowing river field and plain. *Refrain*:

Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer, bringing the harvest before the winters cold. Everything grows, everything has a season, til' it is gathered to the fathers fold. *Refrain:*

Every good gift, all that we need and cherish, comes from the Lord in token of his love. We are his hands, stewards of all his bounty, his is the earth and his the heavens above. *Refrain:*

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Hymn: Praise the Lord! ye heavens, adore him

Praise the Lord! ye heavens, adore him; praise him, angels, in the height; sun and moon, rejoice before him, praise him, all ye stars and light. Praise the Lord! for he has spoken; worlds his mighty voice obeyed: laws, which never shall be broken, for their guidance he hath made.

Praise the Lord! for he is glorious; never shall his promise fail:
God hath made his saints victorious; sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation; hosts on high, his power proclaim; heaven and earth, and all creation, laud and magnify his name!

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