Sunday 26 June 2022 Hymns, Readings, and Collect

Opening Hymn: Ye holy Angels bright

Ye holy angels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or through the realms of light fly at your Lord's command, assist our song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mortal tongue.

Ye blessèd souls at rest, who ran this earthly race, and now, from sin released, behold the Saviour's face, God's praises sound, as in his sight with sweet delight ye do abound. Ye saints, who toil below, adore your heavenly King, and onward as ye go some joyful anthem sing; take what he gives and praise him still, through good and ill, who ever lives!

My soul, bear thou thy part, triumph in God above: and with a well-tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! let all thy days till life shall end, whate'er he send, be filled with praise.

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The Collect

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The New Testament Reading

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

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Galatians 5: 1, 13–25

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Gospel Acclamation: Bless the Lord, my soul

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

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The Gospel

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

St Luke 9: 51–end

The Creed:

Refrain:

Let us declare our faith in the living God.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Offertory Hymn: Thou didst leave thy throne

Thou didst leave thy throne and thy kingly crown,	Thou camest, O Lord, with the living word
when thou camest to earth for me;	that should set thy people free;
but in Bethlehem's home there was found no	but with mocking scorn and with crown of thorn
room	they bore thee to Calvary:
for thy holy nativity:	Refrain:
Refrain: O come to my heart, Lord Jesus;	
there is room in my heart for thee.	When all heaven shall ring, and her choirs shall sing,
Heaven's arches rang when the angels sang,	at thy coming to victory,
proclaiming thy royal degree;	let thy voice call me home, saying, Yet there is room,
but in lowly birth didst thou come to earth,	there is room at my side for thee:
and in great humility:	Refrain:

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Communion Hymn: Wherefore O Father

Wherefore, O Father, we thy humble servants Here bring before thee Christ thy well-beloved, All-perfect Offering, Sacrifice immortal, Spotless Oblation.

See now thy children, making intercession Through him our Saviour, Son of God incarnate, For all thy people, living and departed, Pleading before thee

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Anthem: Beati quorum via

Beati quorum via integra est: qui ambulant in lege Domini. Blessed are they whose way is blameless: who walk in the law of the Lord. Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924) Psalm 119: 1

Dismissal: How shall I sing that majesty

How shall I sing that majesty which angels do admire? Let dust in dust and silence lie; sing, sing, ye heavenly choir. Thousands of thousands stand around thy throne, O God most high; ten thousand times ten thousand sound thy praise; but who am I?

Thy brightness unto them appears, whilst I thy footsteps trace; a sound of God comes to my ears, but they behold thy face. They sing, because thou art their Sun; Lord, send a beam on me; for where heaven is but once begun there alleluias be. Enlighten with faith's light my heart, inflame it with love's fire;
then shall I sing and bear a part with that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold, with all my fire and light;
yet when thou dost accept their gold, Lord, treasure up my mite.
How great a being, Lord, is thine, which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,

a sun without a sphere; thy time is now and evermore, thy place is everywhere.

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