Sunday 18 September 2022 Hymns, Readings, and Collect

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sermon Series: Confirmation

Opening Hymn: Come down, O Love divine

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine,

and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;

O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,

and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn

to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;

and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight,

and clothe me round, the while my path

illuming.

Let holy charity

mine outward vesture be,

and lowliness become mine inner clothing;

true lowliness of heart,

which takes the humbler part,

and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long,

shall far outpass the power of human telling;

for none can guess its grace, till he become the place

wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Down Ampney 137 NEH

The Collects

Gracious God, Father of all mercies, we give thanks for the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth, for her faith in you and dedication to duty: bless our nation as we mourn her death, and may her example continue to inspire us; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Almighty God,

who 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 and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, 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.

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. Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.

Galatians 5: 22-6: 2

Thanks be to God.

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Gospel Acclamation: Thuma mina

Thuma mina. Thuma mina, thuma mina, thuma mina, Somandla.

Send me, Lord. Send me, Jesus, send me, Jesus, send me, Jesus, send me, Lord.

Lead me, Lord. Lead me, Jesus, lead me, Jesus, lead me, Jesus, lead me, Lord.

Fill me, Lord. Fill me, Jesus, fill me, Jesus, fill me, Jesus, fill me, Lord.

Traditional African 481 AM

The Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said: 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

St John 14: 15-18

Praise to you, O Christ.

The Creed

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: O Jesus I have promised

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; be thou for ever near me, my Master and my Friend; I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my Guide.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will; O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, thou Guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee, that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be; and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

O let me see thy footmarks, and in them plant mine own; my hope to follow duly is in thy strength alone; O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end; and then in heaven receive me, my Saviour and my Friend.

Wolvercote 420 NEH

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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

Communion Hymn: Take my life and let it be

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love; take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King; take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee. Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold; take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine: it shall be no longer mine; take my heart: it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Nottingham 787 AM

Dismissal: Christ triumphant, ever reigning

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:
Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name!

Word incarnate, truth revealing, Son of Man on earth! power and majesty concealing by your humble birth: Priestly king, enthroned for ever high in heaven above! sin and death and hell shall never stifle hymns of love:

So, our hearts and voices raising through the ages long, ceaselessly upon you gazing, this shall be our song:

Guiting Power 612 AM