

Sunday 9 June 2024

Second Sunday after Trinity

Hymns, Readings, and Collect

Opening Hymn: When morning gilds the sky

When morning gilds the skies,
my heart awaking cries,

May Jesus Christ be praised:
Alike at work and prayer
to Jesus I repair;
May Jesus Christ be praised.

The night becomes as day,
when from the heart we say,
May Jesus Christ be praised:
The powers of darkness fear,
when this sweet chant they hear,
May Jesus Christ be praised.

In heaven's eternal bliss
the loveliest strain is this,

May Jesus Christ be praised:
Let air, and sea, and sky
from depth to height reply,
May Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this, while life is mine,
my canticle divine,
May Jesus Christ be praised:
Be this th'eternal song
through all the ages on,
May Jesus Christ be praised.

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The Welcome, Notices, Confession, and Gloria

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 Readings

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

This is the word of the Lord.

2 Corinthians 4: 13–5: 1

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: If ye love me

If ye love me, keep my commandments.

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter,
that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth.

Thomas Tallis (c 1505–85)

The Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his companions could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin' — for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

St Mark 3: 20–end

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.

Prayers of Intercession, & The Peace

Offertory Hymn: Let us build a house

Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children
tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain:

*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.

Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;

here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

Refrain :

Let us build a house where love is found,
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground,
where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;

as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

Refrain :

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Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
Let us bring an end to fear and danger:

Refrain:

Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

Refrain :

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Antthem: Lead me, Lord

Lead me, Lord, in thy righteousness: make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

*Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810–76)
from Psalm 5*

Communion Hymn: We pray thee, heavenly Father

We pray thee, heavenly Father,
to hear us in thy love,
and pour upon thy children
the unction from above;
that so in love abiding,
from all defilement free,
we may in pureness offer
our eucharist to thee.

All that we have we offer,
for it is all thine own,
all gifts, by thine appointment,
in bread and cup are shown;
one thing alone we bring not,
the wilfulness of sin,
and all we bring is nothing
save that which is within.

Within the pure oblation,
beneath the outward sign,
by that his operation—
the Holy Ghost divine—
lies hid the sacred body,
lies hid the precious blood,
once slain, now ever glorious,
of Christ our Lord and God.

Wherefore, though all unworthy
to offer sacrifice,
we pray that this our duty
be pleasing in thine eyes;
for praise, and thanks, and worship,
for mercy and for aid,
the catholic oblation
of Jesus Christ is made.

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Dismissal:

He who would valiant be,
'gainst all disaster,
let him in constancy
follow the master.
There's no discouragement
shall make him once relent
his first avowed intent
to be a pilgrim.

Whoso beset him round
with dismal stories,
do but themselves confound,
his strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might,
though he with giants fight,
he will make good his right
to be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, thou dost defend
us with thy spirit;
we know we at the end
shall life inherit.
Then, fancies, flee away!
I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labour night and day
to be a pilgrim.

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