

Where all find a welcome and are nurtured in their journey with Christ.

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 18 October 2020 10.00 am

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The Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you

and also with you.

We come from scattered lives to meet with God. Let us recognise his presence with us.

Silence is kept.

As God's people we have gathered:

et us worship him together.

Words of Welcome and Introduction

Hymn

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render, O help us to see 'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Prayers of Penitence

What God has prepared for those who love him, he has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything.

Therefore, let us in penitence open our hearts to the Lord, who has prepared good things for those who love him.

cf 1 Corinthians 2: 9

Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.

Amen.

May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Collect

For The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

O God,

forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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.

Reading from the Bible

A reading from St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy.

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come.

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus.

When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message. At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them!

But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

2 Timothy 4.5-17

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

O thou who camest from above the fire celestial to impart, kindle a flame of sacred love on the mean altar of my heart.

There let it for thy glory burn with inextinguishable blaze, and trembling to its source return in humble prayer and fervent praise.

Jesus, confirm my heart's desire to work and speak and think for thee; still let me guard the holy fire and still stir up the gift in me. Ready for all thy perfect will, my acts of faith and love repeat, till death thy endless mercies seal, and make the sacrifice complete.

Gospel

Alleluia, alleluia.

We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia.

cf Matthew 4: 4

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go.

He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.

Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like

lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you.

Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

Luke 10.1-9

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Preached by our Lay Reader Lynne Pickersgill.

An Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in 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

Written and led by Marsha Thorndike, and ending with...

United with the Church across the world, let us pray with confidence using the words our Saviour taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done;

on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

Hymn

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing:
my God and King!
The heav'ns are not too high,
his praise may thither fly;
the earth is not too low,
his praises there may grow.
Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,
my God and King!

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, my God and King!
The Church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out; but, above all, the heart must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, my God and King!

Closing Prayer and Responses

Let us pray

Silence is kept.

Lord, grant me to greet the coming week in peace.
Help me to rely upon your holy will.
In every hour of the day reveal your will to me.
Bless my dealings with all who surround me.
Teach me to treat all that comes to me throughout the day with peace of soul and with firm belief that your will governs all.
Guide my words and deeds, my thoughts and feelings.
Teach me to act firmly and wisely, without embittering or embarrassing others.

Give me strength to bear the fatigue of the coming week with all that it shall bring.

Direct my will, teach me to pray, pray yourself in me.

Amen.

Philaret, Metropolitan of Moscow, 1821-1867

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

We dwell in him and he in us.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name,

make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him,

and speak of all his marvellous works.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty,

who was and is and is to come.

In darkness and in light, in trouble and in joy, help us, heavenly Father, to trust your love, to serve your purpose, and to praise your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Hymn

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King,
Lord of heav'n, 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!
Pow'r and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:
Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name.

Suff'ring servant, scorned, ill-treated, victim crucified!

Death is through the cross defeated, sinners justified:

Yours the glory and the crown, the high renown, the eternal name.

Priestly King, enthroned for ever high in heav'n above!
Sin and death and hell shall never stifle hymns of love:
Yours the glory and the crown, the high renown, the eternal name.

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

Yours the glory and the crown, the high renown, the eternal name.

The Blessing

The love of God enfold you, the power of Christ protect you, the leading of the Spirit guide you; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

We go into the world to walk in God's light, to rejoice in God's love and to reflect God's glory.

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

"Let all the world in every corner sing"

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