



A LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST FOR DISABILITY SUNDAY

SUNDAY JUNE 21, 2020
ST ANDREW'S, EPSOM



THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

All stand the presiding priest says

In the name of God: Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life. **Amen.**

Grace to you and peace
from God our Creator,
the love at our beginning
and without end,
in our midst and with us.

**God is with us,
here we find new life.**

Let us give thanks
for the coming of God's reign of justice and love.

**Jesus Christ is good news for the poor,
release for the captives,
recovery of sight for the blind
and liberty for those who are oppressed.**

The liturgist continues

To the God who walks on wounded feet
and heals with wounded hands,
We offer our imperfect praise.

To the God who stands beside us wounded,
all knowing and all loving,
We offer our imperfect praise

To the God of imperfections
We offer our imperfect praise,
**Trusting in the perfect love of the God
who knows what it is to be truly human.**

A GATHERING PRAYER

God of pain and God of peace,
Mother and Father of us all,
created in your image
we have inherited all that makes us human,
the ability to be creative and loving,
and interdependent.

**These gifts are precious and for them,
we give you thanks.**

Though we have gifts in common, we are not all alike.
Each of us is a different individual, unique and special.

We come before you rejoicing in difference.
We come before you knowing each child
is given a different blend of gifts and experiences,
that shape and keep shaping the adult.

Every person in your world is differently gifted,
Every person in your world is differently challenged.
**Help us to use all that we have and all that we are to enhance
our community and your world. Amen ⁱ**

OPENING HYMN

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.

If on our daily course our mind
be set to hallow all we find,
new treasures still, of countless price,
God will provide for sacrifice.

The trivial round, the common task,
will furnish all we need to ask,
room to deny ourselves, a road
to bring us daily nearer God.

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.

A PRAYER FOR KID'S CHURCH

Please be seated as our young people come forward

**Loving God, bless our young people this morning,
We thank you for Aimee and Ben's ministry alongside them.
Be with them in their searching, their questioning,
and in their understanding. Amen.**

FORGIVENESS

Sit or Kneel

Jesus, our deliverer, we take your freedom from others.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Jesus, our hope, we deprive others of hope.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Jesus, God's shalom, we distort your peace.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

In silence before God,
we confess our sins.

Silence

The presiding priest says

God the Creator brings you new life,
forgives and redeems you.

Take hold of this forgiveness
and live your life
in the Spirit of Jesus.

Amen.ⁱⁱ

SENTENCE OF THE DAY

The Liturgist says

“Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life
for my sake will find it.”

Matthew 10: 39

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Together we pray

Passionate God, your word burns like fire within us, challenging us. By our baptism, we are immersed in your resurrecting love. When we are distracted by our own human relationships and our own or others needs, fill us with an abundance of your grace, that we may respond to your radical call to justice, including and hope for all people. With Jesus we pray. Amen.

READING: MATTHEW 10: 24-39

From the Message: a paraphrased bible in contemporary language

After the reading

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL HYMN

Lord Jesus Christ, be present now,
And let thy Holy Spirit bow
All hearts in love and fear today,
To hear the truth and keep thy way.

Our voices tune to sing thy praise,
Our hearts in true devotion raise,
Our faith increase, and grant us light
That we may know thy Name aright.

THE GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 10: 24-39

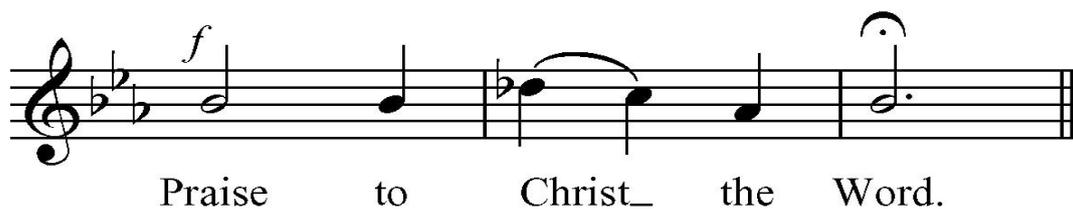
All stand

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew Chapter 10 beginning at the 24th verse



After the gospel

This is the Gospel of Christ.



THE SERMON - THE REVEREND VICKI TERRELL

AN AFFIRMATION OF OUR IDENTITY IN CHRIST

We stand and say together

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.

Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure.

It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us.

We ask ourselves,

who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous,

talented, and fabulous?

Actually, who are you not to be?

You are a child of God.

Your playing small does not serve the world.

**There is nothing enlightened about shrinking
so that other people will not feel insecure around you.**

We are all meant to shine, as children do.

We were born to make manifest

the glory of God that is within us.

It is not just in some of us;

it is in everyone and as we let our own light shine, we

unconsciously give others permission to do the same.

As we are liberated from our own fear,

our presence automatically liberates others.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please sit or kneel as the presiding priest says

Let us pray for the Church and for the world,
giving thanks for God's goodness.

The intercessor prays

God of peace who cares for all life,
you hear our prayer for the nations of the world.

We give thanks and pray for all the people in your creation,
that we may learn to respect one another
and to live together in your peace.

Teach us that everyone is precious in your eyes.

Loving God,

in your mercy, bind us together.

We pray particularly today for
those who are disabled through natural disaster and conflict,
for those suffering discrimination because of disability.

In this time of global health and economic crisis,
we remember all those who are in vulnerable situations,
all those whose needs are forgotten by their communities;
and ask that every corner of your world
may be filled with your love.

Loving God,

in your mercy, heal our world, we pray.

God who calls us to follow Christ
you hear our prayer for your worldwide church.

We pray for all who share the Gospel
particularly those who are working to make the church
more aware of disability issues.

Help us to be open to the gifts and challenges
each individual brings
so we can become more fully the body of Christ.

Loving God,

in your mercy, help us to welcome the challenge of the Gospel.

God of generosity and love,
you hear our prayer for the communities
in which we live, work and play.

We pray for our families and friends.

We give thanks and remember
those who work in disability support services
and others who support disabled people to live in dignity.

We pray for greater understanding in our community
of how our actions and attitudes
can enable or disable others.

Help us to build a community that enables
all people to live life they choose.

Loving God

in your mercy, help us to make room for all.

God of tenderness and compassion,
you hear our prayer for all in need and distress.

We pray for those who are unwell or recovering from surgery,
particularly remembering Jeannie and Robyn;
for those who find disability a burden;
for people who are disturbed and have no peace;
and for those who grieve for the loss of loved ones

Help us to be bearers of hope
to those who are despairing and in pain.

Loving God,

**make us willing agents of your compassion,
as we seek to share your love.**

God of life and hope,
you hear our prayer for all who have died in your love.
We pray especially for Maisie Moncrieff and Kenwyn Campbell
for whom services were held here this week.
Help us, like them, to follow you in faith and trust and know that
nothing in death nor life can separate from your love.

Loving God,
in your mercy, hold us in faith of eternal life.

God of our being, we pray in silence for ourselves
for the challenges we face in our lives.

**Blessed are you,
God of growth and discovery;
yours is the inspiration
that has altered and changed our lives;
yours is the power that has brought us
to new dangers and opportunities.
Set us, your new creation,
to walk through this new world,
watching and learning,
loving and trusting,
until your kingdom comes. Amen.**

All stand

THE PEACE

All standing, the presiding priest says to the people

The peace of God be with you all.

In God's justice is our peace.

E te whānau / Brothers and sisters,
Christ calls us to live in unity.

We seek to live in the Spirit of Christ.

We share a sign of Christ's peace with one another

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

Summoned by the God who made us
Rich in our diversity,
Gathered in the name of Jesus,
Richer still in unity:

Refrain:

Let us bring the gifts that differ
And, in splendid, varied ways,
Sing a new church into being,
One of faith and love and praise.

Radiant risen from the water;
Robed in holiness and light,
Male and female in God's image
Male and female God's delight:

Refrain

Trust the goodness of creation;
Trust the Spirit strong within.
Dare to dream the vision promised
Sprung from seed of what has been:

Refrain

Bring the hopes of every nation;
Bring the art of every race.
Weave a song of peace and justice:
Let it sound through time and space:

Refrain

Draw together at one table
All the human family;
Shape a circle ever wider
And a people ever free.

Refrain:

*Text: Delores Dufner, OSB
Music: "Nettleton"*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

It is recommended that the people stand, sit or kneel throughout the following prayer. The presiding priest and people sing

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Creator God, source of life,

We give you thanks for all creation.

We praise you that you made us

in your image from dust of the earth,

in all our fragility and strength.

We give you thanks!

In your love for us you sent your son Jesus.

Born as one of us, he lived as one of us,

having friends to share with

knowing community in struggle and in joy,

Showing us how to love.

We give you thanks!

Jesus, you loved us so much and didn't give up on us,
even though you were rejected excluded and alienated.

You shared the pain of our human lives
on the cross.

Through pain of death

God showed us a new way of living.

Through the power of resurrection transformation happens,
new life is possible.

We give you thanks!

So here and now, with all people of faith
 throughout the ages and round the world
 we proclaim together:

[Org.] *mf*
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
f
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est.
mp *f*
 Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father;
 on the night before he died
 your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread;
 when he had given you thanks,
 he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:
 Take, eat, this is my body
 which is given for you;
 do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup;
 when he had given you thanks,
 he gave it to them and said:
 Drink this, all of you,
 for this is my blood of the new covenant
 which is shed for you and for many
 for the forgiveness of sins;
 do this as often as you drink it,
 to remember me.

[Org.]

Glo-ry to you, Lord Christ, your death we show forth; Your res-sur-rec-tion
we pro-claim, your com-ing we a - wait; A - men, come Lord Je - sus.

Therefore, loving God,
with this bread and wine,
broken and poured out,
bringing forth abundant life,
working miracles,
in struggle and joy,
being together in daily life,
we give you thanks!

Come now Holy Spirit
enable and empower us,
in the harsh realities
of exclusion and oppression
to be bearers of your love and hope in our world.
Come fire of love, wind of hope!

God, source of everything,
through all time and space you are to be praised
because in you we are all profoundly loved and cherished
Amen You are all in all.ⁱⁱⁱ

[Org.]

Bles - sing, hon - our and glo - ry be yours, here and ev' - ry - where,
now and for - ev - er, A - men.

THE COMMUNION

As Christ teaches us we sing:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

The priest breaks the bread in silence and then says

Bread broken, sharing the body of Christ,
In our diversity we are the body of Christ

The priest lifts the cup and then says

Wine poured out, sharing the life of Christ
In our humanity, we share the life of Christ

The altar party receives communion then the priest says

Broken things for broken people. Holy things for holy people.
Come God's people broken and holy, come to receive Christ's life
broken and poured out for you. May this strengthen you on the
journey towards wholeness.

During Communion the singing group will sing

THE COMMUNION MOTET

You are the vine – *J Barnard*

Everyone is welcome to receive communion at St Andrew's. You will be offered both wine from the common cup and bread today; in front of the nave altar. If you prefer to receive a blessing please put a hand across your chest.

*If you put **one hand out**, you will be offered a dipped wafer by the priest (the body and blood of Christ). If you put **two hands out** you will be offered just the bread. You will then be offered the common cup; you may drink from it, or take it and hold it to acknowledge that you are receiving God's grace; or if you put a hand across your chest the chalice bearer will offer it to you in words alone.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Most loving God, Creator and Redeemer,
we give you thanks for this foretaste of your glory.

**Through Christ, and with all your saints,
we offer ourselves
and our lives to your service.**

**Send us out in the power of your Spirit,
to stand with you in your world.**

**We ask this through Jesus Christ, the servant,
our friend and brother. Amen.**

PARISH NOTICES

CLOSING HYMN

There is no limit to God's love,
There is no boundary to God's care;
Given the freedom to explore
We seek and find God everywhere.

With each new day our actions speak
More loudly than the spoken word;
May all our lives be lived in God,
By our good deeds Christ's voice is heard.

This is the paradox of faith
That by our giving we receive,
That in our weakness we are strong,
That through our doubting we believe.

Held firm as captives, we are free,
Renouncing power, we can lead,
By serving others we are fed,
Nourished according to our need.

We are Christ's body here on earth,
We are his voice, his hands, his feet.
May all our words and works proclaim
Christ, who makes every life complete.

*Text: Jocelyn Marshall
Tune: Winchester*

THE BLESSING

The wisdom of God,
the love of God
and the grace of God
strengthen you to be Christ's hands
and heart in this world,
and may the blessing of God the Creator,
Jesus the Christ and the Holy Spirit
be amongst you now and forever. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Haere i runga i te aroha. Haere i runga i te rangimarie.
Let us go forth in the world,
Rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

ⁱ Adapted from Rosalie Sugrue - <https://nzlpa.files.wordpress.com/2016/01/liturgy-for-disability-sunday.pdf>

ⁱⁱ ANPB?HKMOA pg459

ⁱⁱⁱ Adapted from a liturgy prepared by The Reverend Vicki Terrell for use with the New Zealand Disability Community.