

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST ANDREW, EPSOM

A Service of Sunday Morning Prayer for August 23rd 2020 – Ordinary Sunday 21

This service of Morning Prayer is taken from page 58 of A New Zealand Prayer Book/He Karakakia Mihinare O Aotearoa. From early in the history of the Church, Christians have developed forms of daily prayer and worship, centred on the regular reading of Scripture and the recital of the psalms. This Sunday morning service provides a simple and beautiful format for private prayer in the home during this time of COVID-19 shutdown.

Awake sleeper; rise from the dead, and Christ will shine upon you.

Open our lips, O Lord; and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Hymn

- 1. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord: Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice; Tender to me the promise of his Word; In God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.
- 2. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name: Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done; His mercy sure, from age to age the same; His holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.
- 3. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His might: Powers and dominions lay their glory by; Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight, The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
- 4. Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word: Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord To children's children and for evermore.

Tune – 'Woodlands' (W. Greatorex); Descant – R. Lloyd; Words – Bp. T. Dudley-Smith Brendon Packard (Trumpet); Stanley Jackson (Organ); Choir of St Andrew's, Epsom (dir. Shroff) Recorded in St Luke's Presbyterian Church, Remuera, for CD recording 'Tell out my soul - Great hymns for the seasons of the Church' (2003)

The Spirit of the Lord

- The Spirit of the Lord God ' is up'on me: because the Lord has anointed me_to bring good ' tidings ' to the · af'flicted.
- The Lord has sent me to bind up the 'broken-'hearted: to proclaim liberty for the captives, and re'lease for 'those in 'prison,
- to comfort 'all who 'mourn: to bestow on them a crown of 'beauty · in'stead of 'ashes,
- the oil of gladness in'stead of 'mourning: a garment of 'splendour · for the 'heavy 'heart.
- 5† They shall be called 'trees of 'righteousness: planted for the 'glory' of the 'Lord.
- 6 Therefore I will greatly re'joice · in the ' Lord: my soul shall ex'ult ' in my ' God,
- for God has robed me with salvation ' as a ' garment: and clothed me with in'tegri·ty ' as a ' cloak.
- For as the earth brings' forth its 'shoots: and as a garden causes the 'seeds to 'spring' up,

Glory to the Father and ' to the ' Son : and ' to the ' Holy ' Spirit; as it was in the be'ginning · is ' now: and shall be for ' ever. ' A'men.

Psalm 128:

Blessed are all they that fear the Lord: and walk in his ways.

For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands: O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine:

upon the walls of thine house.

Thy children like the olive-branches:

round about thy table.

Lo, thus shall the man be blessed:

that feareth the Lord.

The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee:

that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long.

Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children:

and peace upon Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:

and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:

world without end. Amen.

Chant: I. Goss

David Brookes (Organ), Choir of St Andrew's, Epsom (dir. Shroff)

Video recorded live in All Saints, Matamata, on Sunday 8 October 2017

Forgiveness

Lord, have mercy.

E te Ariki kia aroha mai.

Kyrie eleison.

Christ, have mercy.

E te Karaiti kia aroha mai.

Christe eleison.

Lord have mercy.

E te Ariki kia aroha mai.

Kyrie eleison.

Almighty and merciful God, we have sinned against you, in thought, word and deed.

We have not loved you with all our heart.

We have not loved others as our Saviour Christ loves us.

We are truly sorry.

In your mercy forgive what we have been,

help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be;

that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Almighty God, who pardons all who truly repent, forgive our sins, strengthen us by the Holy Spirit, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. **Amen.**

Readings: Romans 12: 1-8

Matthew 16: 13-20

Silence is kept after the Readings.

Reflection - The Reverend Diana Rattray

Anthem English translation:

Laudate Dominum, omnes gentes; Praise the Lord, all nations;

Laudate eum, omnes populi. Praise Him, all people.

Quoniam confirmata est For He has bestowed

Super nos misericordia eius, His mercy upon us,

Et veritas Domini manet in aeternum. And the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the

Holy Spirit,

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper. As it was in the beginning, is now, and forever,

Et in execula execularism

And for amorations of

Et in saecula saeculorum. And for generations of generations.

Amen. Amen.

Words: Psalm 117 Music: W A Mozart Soprano solo: Soojin Baek Organist: David Brookes Choir of St Andrew's Epsom, directed by Neil Shroff Recorded during concert at Holy Cross Church, Albany, on 12 October 2014.

The Song of our Adoption

1 Blessèd are you, God and Father of our Lord ' Jesus '

Christ:

you have blessed us in Christ with every spiritual 'blessing · in the' heaven·ly 'realms.

- 2 Even before the world was made_ you chose us to be 'yours in 'Christ: that we should be holy and 'blameless' in your 'sight.
- In love you destined us for adoption as your children 'through Christ 'Jesus: such was your 'pleasure 'and your 'purpose,
- to the praise of your 'glori·ous 'grace: which you have freely given us in 'your be'lovèd 'Son.

Ephesians 1:3-6

Glory to the Father and ' to the ' Son: and ' to the ' Holy ' Spirit; as it was in the be'ginning · is ' now: and shall be for ' ever. ' A'men.

Sentence of the Day

'Martha said, "Yes Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." ' *John 11:27*

Collect of the Day

Steadfast God,
you are our bedrock.
By your Spirit, you call forth gifts in us
that enable us to live as your body now.
Help us recognise the Jesus way
as that which leads us to your transforming love.
May we become your light of justice in our neighbourhood.
With Jesus we pray. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Prepared by Lynn Oram

As we begin our time of intercessory prayer, let us listen to the words of Pope Francis, written recently to comfort all who profess Christ as their Saviour:

"In dark moments, in sad moments, He is well aware that our faith is weak – all of us are people of little faith, all of us, myself included, everyone – and that if our faith is weak, our journey can be troubled, hindered by adverse forces.
But He is the Risen One!

Let's not forget this:

He is the Lord who passed through death in order to lead us to safety.

Even before we begin to seek Him,

He is present beside us lifting us back up after our falls,

He helps us grow in faith.

Maybe in the dark, we cry out: "Lord, Lord!" thinking He is far away.

And He says, "I am here."

Ah, He was with me! That is the Lord."

God of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ you promise to hear us when we pray to you in faith with thanksgiving.

We pray for one another, for our families and friends, through whom we learn to love and to be loved. Thank you for all who care for us. Give us grace to serve Christ by serving our neighbours and our community, loving others as he loves us.

God of love,

hear our prayer.

We thank you for the unfailing love you hold out to everyone in Jesus Christ.

Comfort and heal those in sorrow, need, sickness or any other trouble. Give them courage and hope in their distress, and bless those who minister to them, especially all health workers coping with the pressure of combatting the resurgence of Covid-19.

God of love,

hear our prayer.

We remember with gratitude your many gifts to us in creation and the rich heritage of these islands. Help us and people everywhere to share with justice and peace the resources of the earth. Give wisdom to those in authority among us and to all leaders of the nations as we in Aotearoa prepare of a delayed election. Help us treat all with fairness and respect.

God of love,

hear our prayer.

We pray for your Church throughout the world, thanking you for all who serve Christ and his kingdom. By your Spirit strengthen your people for their work and witness in the world. Even though we are worshipping you in our separate homes, unite us in your truth and love, that we who confess your name may also reflect your glory.

God of love,

hear our prayer.

We remember with thanksgiving all who have died in Christ, especially Pat Danilo and others whose anniversaries fall at this time. We rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may enter with them into the unending joy of your heavenly kingdom.

God of love,

hear our prayer.

Giver of the present,
hope for the future:
save us from the time of trial.
When prophets warn us of doom,
of catastrophe and of suffering beyond belief,
then, God, free us from our helplessness,
and deliver us from evil.
Save us from our arrogance and folly,

for you are God who created the world; you have redeemed us and you are our salvation. through Christ our saviour. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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 for ever. Amen.

OR

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi kia tapu tōu Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tāu e pai ai ki runga ki te whenua, kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.
Hōmai ki a mātou āianei he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.
Murua ō mātou hara,
Me mātou hoki e muru nei i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.
Āua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:
Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha, me te korōria,
Āke ake ake. Āmine.

Morning Collect

God our creator, yours is the morning and yours is the evening.

Let Christ the sun of righteousness shine for ever in our hearts and draw us to that light where you live in radiant glory.

We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

The divine Spirit dwells in us. Kia noho te Wairua o te Runga Rawa ki a tātou.

Thanks be to God.

Whakamoemititia a Ihowā.

The Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. *Amen*.

Hymn

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,
His 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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