

St. Hilda's Anglican Church, Fairbank

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 18, 2020

Holy Eucharist

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

The Order of Service

Organ Prelude: When Morning Gilds the Skies

Opening Prayer:

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Loving God, you are the Joy of loving hearts! Touch us with the fringes of your glory, so that our minds may become alert to you and our souls reach up to you... May Christ give us the confidence, and the Spirit grant us the liberty, to worship you with awe yet without reservation or fear. For your love's sake.

Amen.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Opening Musical: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Welcome: *Fr. Kenute*

The Greeting

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

And also with you.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Saint Luke

Almighty God, who inspired Luke the physician to proclaim the love and healing power of your Son, give your Church, by the grace of the Spirit and the medicine of the gospel, the same love and power to heal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Reading: Exodus 33:12-23 (*Philip Adridge/Stella Layne*)

A Reading from the Book of Exodus

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favour in my sight.' Now if I have found favour in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favour in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favour in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth." The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favour in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see

my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsive Reading: Psalm 99 *(Philip Adridge/Stella Layne)*

The Lord is king; let the people tremble;
he is enthroned upon the Cherubim; let the earth shake.

The Lord is great in Zion;
he is high above all peoples.

Let them confess his name, which is great and awesome;
he is the Holy One.

"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool;
he is the Holy One.

Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his name,
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

"O Lord our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds."

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill;
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Second Reading **1 Thessalonians 1:1-10** (*Winston Coombes/Violet White*)

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual Musical: **Be Thou my Vision**

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22 *Fr. Kenute*

The Lord be with you
And also with you

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor

the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Sermon: *Fr. David*

The Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (*Winston Coombes/Violet White*)

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Let us pray.

Most loving God, while most of us have easy lives, yet around us there is bewilderment, suffering, injustice, and hopelessness. Want and grief are so overwhelming...In these prayers, we engage our mind and soul once more with your passionate love for all human beings.

We remember all the persecuted minorities, the hungry, those in dire poverty, the places of entrenched hatred within our world.

Bless all who attempt to bring aid and peace,
and by your Holy Spirit, comfort your people.

We pray for heads of nations; those powerful speech-makers and hand-shakers who head the large and prosperous Nations, and those others who govern the weak, poverty stricken countries. Bless every leader with humility and discernment appropriate to the needs of their people.

Bless all who attempt to bring aid and peace,
and by your Holy Spirit, comfort your people.

We pray for our political leaders; Justin, our Prime Minister, Doug, our Premier John, our Mayor and all who represent us in government and cabinet. Guide them and help our nation to better care for the weak, the exploited, the abused, the unemployed, the angry and alienated, the forgotten and the misunderstood.

Bless all who attempt to bring aid and peace,
and by your Holy Spirit, comfort your people.

We pray for your church around the world. In the Anglican Cycle, the Episcopal Church, in the Diocesan Cycle the Bishop's Committee on Healing Ministries and all churches. For our bishops, Andrew, Jenny, Peter, Riscylla and Kevin. For our priests, Kenute, David and all priests. For deacons and all lay who serve on corporations, parish councils and advisory boards and for all your people. May they all have the mind that was in Christ Jesus, treating minorities with the same respect as majorities, and the fractious with the same patience as the easy-going members.

Bless all who attempt to bring aid and peace,
and by your Holy Spirit, comfort your people.

We remember the sad and sick among us, especially Joyce Myers, Petrona Levy, Elmira Williams, Gilda Davis, Ruth Andrews, Don Krasnovich, Lucille Calder, Doraline Alexander, Helen Hancock, Mark Hancock, Gloria Parsons, Ancille Parsons, Pablo Velasquez, Barbara Gordon, Hyacinth Brooks, Mary Engels, Hermon Lobban, Wilton Holas, Len Green and Marcia Sealy. For the anxious and the painfully shy, the lonely and the awkward, the infirm and those of extreme age, the terminally ill and the mentally confused, the sorrowing and the disconsolate, those hurting badly from broken marriages or embroiled in misunderstanding between young folk and their parents.

Bless all who attempt to bring aid and peace,
and by your Holy Spirit, comfort your people.

Most loving God, please gather up all the prayers, and the unspoken, secret yearnings of our hearts, and implement them according to your greater wisdom and love, through Christ Jesus our Saviour.

Amen!

The Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole

heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Instrumental: I Cannot Tell

The Prayer over the Gifts

Eternal God, your word inspires our faith. May we who offer you our praise trust you in all things. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we say,

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom.

We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him

The Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Grant us peace.

The Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God.

**Musical during Communion: Rock of Ages
 I The Lord of Sea and Sky
 This Little Light of Mine**

Prayer after Communion

God of peace, you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and blood of Christ. May we who have taken holy things keep faith in our hearts and lives, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Glory to God,
Whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

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It is time to leave one form of worship and begin another. So that what you do at home may be as sacred as that done here, that your work and your leisure be a liturgy, and your listening and caring be a form of praise, that you may sense God in the smile of those who love you, and find Christ in the pain of those who depend upon you,

And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit
be with you now and always. **Amen.**

Announcements

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Recessional Instrumental: Crown Him with many Crowns

Postlude: God of Grace and God of Glory