

St. Hilda's Anglican Church, Fairbank

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 2020

Holy Eucharist

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

The Order of Service

Organ Prelude: O Praise Ye the Lord/How Great thou Art

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Organ Musical: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Opening Prayer:

~ written by Rev. Karla and posted on [RevGalBlogPals.](https://revgalblogpals.org/2017/03/18/sunday-prayer-213/)
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Holy Watering [God], Fount of Every Blessing,
We come to you [today], opening our parched places to receive
the springs of living water You offer to us.

Still us, O God, so we might listen to You speaking to us,
knowing us, seeing us, loving us.

Fill us with your Living Water that will transform our spirits and souls
into springs that burst forth with life and love,...
[through Jesus Christ our Lord.]

Amen.

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

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your name; 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 17:1-7 (*Philip Adridge/Richard Goddard*)

A Reading from the Book of Exodus

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?" given you to eat."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsive Reading: Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 (*Philip Adridge/Richard Goddard*)

1. Hear my teaching, O my people; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
2. **I will open my mouth in a parable; I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.**
3. That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, we will not hide from their children.
4. **We will recount to generations to come the praise-worthy deeds and the power of the Lord, and the wonderful works he has done.**
12. He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
13. **He split open the sea and let them pass through; he made the waters stand up like walls.**
14. He led them with a cloud by day, and all the night through with a glow of fire.
15. **He split the hard rocks in the wilderness and gave them drink as from the great deep.**
16. He brought streams out of the cliff, and the waters gushed out like rivers.

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: Philippians 2:1-13 (*Noel Lewis/Richard Morris*)

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but

much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Organ Musical: *As the Deer Panteth*

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:23-32 *Fr. Kenute Francis*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Sermon: *Fr. Kenute*

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 *(Intercessor: Noel Lewis/Richard Morris)*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work; for our parish family especially, Michelene Skeete, Hildred Small Doriel Snagg, Albert Snagg, Horris and Eslyn Souvenir, Helen Sportza, Roy and Sheila Styles and Joan Tait.

For our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those who are alone.

For this community, our country, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble and those who are sick 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 and Len Green.

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; in the Anglican Cycle we pray for the Episcopal Church of Sudan and in the Diocesan Cycle for Victoria and Haliburton Deanery.

For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth

For our bishops Andrew, Jenny, Peter, Riscylla and Kevin and for all bishops. Our clergy, Kenute and David and all ministers.

For all who serve God in his Church.

For our own needs and those of others.

Silence. The people may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The people may add their own petitions

We will exalt you, O God our king;
And praise your name for ever and ever.

We pray for all those who have died in the peace of Christ, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The people may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honour and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 Organ Musical: O Jesus I have Promised
Here I am Lord**

The Prayer over the Gifts

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory. Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same Jesus Christ our 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.

It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations.

Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

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.

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for 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.

**Organ Musical: O Lord my God
 All to Jesus I Surrender
 Bind us together Lord**

Prayer after Communion

Father in heaven, strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfill your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Doxology

**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

To say 'yes' to Christ and mean it, now, that's true sophistication. To mean 'yes' and then perform it, that's the flow of salvation. We never leave this house of prayer on our own. Our help is in the God who made heaven and earth! So go with God and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son and the Holy spirit be with you now and always.
Amen.

Announcements

Recessional Organ Music: When we walk with the Lord

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude: Tell out my Soul