



The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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Conflated Morning Prayer & Eucharist

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MISSION STATEMENT

*The purpose of St. Hilda's Church is to be Christ-centered in our life and worship,
to serve lovingly those within our family and others within our reach that the spirit of God might
empower us for worship. service, education, stewardship, evangelism and pastoral care.*

The Order of Service

PRELUDE: ***Fairest Lord Jesus*** (CRUSADERS HYMN)

Opening Prayer: (William Greenidge)

Let us pray

Loving God, touch us with the fringes of your glory.
Empower us to sing your praise and surrender our all to you.
Blessed be your name forever and ever.

Amen!

PROCESSIONAL: **Come, Thou Almighty King**
Text: Anonymous; Tune: ITALIAN HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King,
help us Thy name to sing;
help us to praise:
Father, all glorious,
o'er all victorious,
come, and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word,
gird on Thy mighty sword,
our pray'r attend:
come, and Thy people bless,
and give Thy Word success:
Spirit of holiness,
on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear
in this glad hour:
Thou who almighty art,
now rule in every heart,
and ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

To Thee, great One in Three,
eternal praises be
hence, evermore.
His sov'reign majesty
may we in glory see,
and to eternity
love and adore!

WELCOME: *(William Greenidge)*

GREETINGS: *(William Greenidge)*

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

And also with you.

Holy is the Lord of Hosts.

The whole earth is full of his glory.

He makes known his ways and walks with his people.

Lead us, Lord, and we will follow.

His faithfulness reaches from generation to generation.

We lift our hearts and give him praise.

THE CONFESSION: *(William Greenidge)*

Let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins,
that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

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.**

THE ABSOLUTION: *(Kenute Francis)*

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.

Children's Talk: *Canon Abbah*

INTROIT: **Be Still for the Presence of the Lord**
Text & Music: David J. Evans

Be still for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here
Come bow before Him now, with reverence and fear
In Him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.
Be still for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

Be still for the glory of the Lord, is shining all around
He burns with holy fire, with splendor He is crowned
How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light
Be still for the glory of the Lord, is shining all around.

Be still for the power of the Lord, is moving in this place
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace
No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him
Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

VERSICLES: *(William Greenidge)*

Lord, open our lips,
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

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

THE FIRST READING: Exodus 33:12-23 *(Marcia Sealy)*

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 favor in my sight.’

Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you
and find favor 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 favor 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 favor 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

The Benedictus: *(chanted)*

BLESSED be the Lord God of Israel; /
For he hath visited, and redeemed his people;
And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us, /
in the house of his servant David;

As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets, /
which have been since the world began;
That we should be saved from our enemies, /
and from the hands of all that hate us;

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers, /
and to remember his holy covenant;
To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham, /
that he would grant us

That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies /
might serve him without fear,
In holiness and righteousness before him, /
All, the days of our life.

AND thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: /
for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;
To give knowledge of salvation unto his people/
for the remission of their sins;

Through the tender mercy of our God; /
whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;
To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death, /
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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.

THE SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonian 1:1-10 *(Mike Robinson)*

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

THE GRADUAL:

Halle Halle Halle (x3)

(Caribbean)

THE GOSPEL:

Matthew 22:15-22

(Archdeacon Hardy)

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

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

Gospel Acclamation:

Halle Halle Halle (x3)

(Caribbean)

THE SERMON:

Kenute Francis

Hear, O Israel

(William Greenidge)

Let us confess our faith, as we say together, "Hear, O Israel"

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.

**Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your mind, and with all your strength.**

This is the first and the great commandment.

The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: *(Imelda De Guzman)*

Leader: Let us pray,

God of holy presence, you know your people and walk with us.

For your Church throughout the world, that we may proclaim Christ not only with our lips but by the lives we live, we pray:

All: Walk with us, Lord, and make us faithful witnesses.

Leader: For nations torn by war, violence and injustice;

for leaders entrusted with difficult decisions;

and for communities longing for peace, we pray:

All: Walk with us, Lord, and make us faithful witnesses.

Leader: For those who are uncertain about the road ahead;

for those facing change, danger, grief or difficult choices;

and for all who need courage to trust your leading, we pray:

All: Walk with us, Lord, and make us faithful witnesses.

Leader: For the life, work and witness of Saint Luke, who tended the sick and understood human frailty. We pray for doctors, nurses and all health

professionals who care for those who are sick, weary, lonely or burdened;

for those whose prayers seem unanswered; and for those who need to know that they have not been forgotten, we pray:

All: Walk with us, Lord, and make us faithful witnesses.

Leader: For women who have answered the call and have given themselves in the ministry of the church, especially as our diocese celebrates this year 50 years of women in ordained ministry. We give thanks for their faithful witness especially we remember Elizabeth Hardy and celebrate in gratitude her presence, love and ministry among us. May your Spirit's light rest upon them, guiding each step with wisdom and grace. May their voices carry truth and compassion, healing hearts and stirring hope in weary souls. May their hands sow seeds of faith and service, and their lives shine as beacons of Christ's love, we pray:

All: Walk with us, Lord, and make us faithful witnesses.

Leader: For this congregation, that our faith may become visible in our love,
our service and our witness, and that others may encounter Christ through
the way we live, we pray:

All: Walk with us, Lord, and make us faithful witnesses.

Leader: Holy God, hear the prayers we offer aloud and those we carry silently in our
hearts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR STRENGTH *(William Greenidge)*

Into your hands, Lord, we commend ourselves this day.

Let your presence be with us to its close.

Strengthen us to remember that in whatever good work we do
we are serving you. Give us a diligent and watchful spirit, that we may seek in
everything to know your will, and knowing it, may gladly perform it,
to the honour and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY *(Kenute Francis)*

Almighty and ever living 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 LORD'S PRAYER – *Tune: Malotte* *(William Greenidge)*

Gathering up all our prayers into one, let us pray as our Saviour Christ has taught us,

**Our Father, which 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 debts,**

**As we forgive, our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

The Peace: *(William Greenidge)*

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

OFFERTORY: **O Lord of Heaven and Earth and Sea**
Text: Christopher Wordsworth; Tune: ALMSGIVING

O Lord of heaven and earth and sea,
to thee all praise and glory be;
how shall we show our love to thee
who givest all?

For peaceful homes and healthful days,
for all the blessings earth displays,
we owe thee thankfulness and praise,
who givest all.

Thou didst not spare thine only Son,
but gav'st him for a world undone
and freely with that Blessed One
thou givest all.

Thou giv'st the Spirit's blessed dower,
Spirit of life and love and power,
and dost thy sevenfold graces shower
upon us all.

For souls redeemed, for sins forgiven,
for means of grace and hopes of heaven,
O Lord, what can to thee be given,
who givest all,

To thee from whom we all derive
our life, our gifts, our power to give?
Oh may we ever with thee live,
who givest all.

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.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 5

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 BE TO GOD FOREVER. (BATTLE HYMN REFRAIN)

(organ) **Glory be to God forever. Glory be to God forever.
Glory be to God forever. Forever 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 sing

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One 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 not 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.

(organ) **Glory be to God forever. Glory be to God forever.
Glory be to God forever. Forever 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."

(organ) **Glory be to God forever. Glory be to God forever.
Glory be to God forever. Forever 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.

(organ) **Glory be to God forever. Glory be to God forever.
Glory be to God forever. Forever 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.

(organ) **Glory be to God forever. Glory be to God forever.
Glory be to God forever. Forever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

THE INVITATION

The gifts of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God

DURING COMMUNION: **What Thanks and Praise to Thee We Owe**
Text: W. D. MacLagan; Tune: ELY (MANCHESTER)

What thanks and praise to Thee we owe,
O Priest and Sacrifice divine,
For Thy dear saint thro' whom we know
So many a gracious word of Thine;

Whom Thou didst choose to tell the tale
Of all Thy manhood's toils and tears,
And for a moment lift the veil
That hides Thy boyhood's spotless years.

And still the Church through all her days
Uplifts the strains that never cease,
The blessed Virgin's hymn of praise,
The aged Simeon's words of peace.

O happy saint! whose sacred page,
So rich in words of truth and love,
Pours on the Church from age to age
This healing unction from above;

The witness of the Saviour's life,
The great apostle's chosen friend
Through weary years of toil and strife,
And still found faithful to the end.

So grant us, Lord, like him to live,
Beloved by man, approved by Thee,
Till Thou at last the summons give,
And we, with him, Thy face shall see.

God is So Good

Text: Velna A. Ledin

God is so good, God is so good,
God is so good, He's so good to me!

He cares for me, He cares for me,
He cares for me, He's so good to me!

I love Him so, I love Him so,
I love Him so, He's so good to me!

I praise His name, I praise His name,
I praise His name, He's so good to me!

Ablutions:

He Leadeth Me

Text: J. H. Gilmore; Tune: HE LEADETH ME

He leadeth me: O blessed thought!
O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

(refrain)

**He leadeth me, he leadeth me;
by his own hand he leadeth me:
his faithful follower I would be,
for by his hand he leadeth me.**

Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine,
nor ever murmur nor repine;
content, whatever lot I see,
since 'tis my God that leadeth me. *(refrain)*

And when my task on earth is done,
when, by thy grace, the victory's won,
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
since God through Jordan leadeth me. *(refrain)*

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.**

THE BLESSING

Go now into the world. When the road is uncertain, trust God's guidance.
When the way is difficult, seek God's presence.
When the world needs hope, be God's witnesses.
And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit
be with you now and always.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECESSIONAL: **Tell Out My Soul**

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith; Tune: WOODLANDS

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.

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.

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.

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 forevermore!

THE DISMISSAL *(William Greenidge)*

Followers of the Christ, Inspired by the Holy Spirit.
Serve the world God loves. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE: **We are Marching in the Light of God** *SIYAHAMBA*