

Parish of Mississippi Lake

Christ Church Ashton, St John's Innisville,
St James Franktown, and St James Carleton Place,
with St Bede's Nolan's Corners

Sunday, July 5, 2020

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost



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**All are invited to join us for the Service on Zoom!
Join around 8:45 AM, and leave your microphone muted. Use Meeting ID 868 4499 7447 or use the link in the *Staying Connected* email we sent on Friday. Note that only the Liturgical Leaders will appear on Facebook Live. Also, remember to have your Candle and Prayer Space ready for worship!**

Prelude

We are live-streaming today from the traditional territory of the Algonquin people. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace. For those who maybe be watching this from beyond our parish, we invite you to acknowledge the traditional territory you are on today.

The Gathering of the Community

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 Preparation for Worship

Everyone is invited to light their candles at this time.

God, our light and salvation, in your name, we light these candles. May they remind us of the beauty and truth of your love. And may our hearts be open to the light of Christ, and the movement of the Spirit.

God, in your mercy, let there be light.

Act of Praise: Glory to God on High (CP 365)

**Glory to God on high, and peace to all on earth.
We worship you, we give you thanks, our heavenly King.
We give you praise, almighty God and Father blessed
in glory bright.**

**Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
the sacrificial Lamb, who saves the world from sin,
have mercy Lord, beside the Father's hand enthroned,
now hear our prayer.**

**You only are the Lord; you only are most high,
You only are the holy one, Lord Jesus Christ.
And now you reign with Father and with Spirit
one in glorious light.**

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has taught us
that what we do for the least of your children, we do also for him.
Give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all,
who gave up his life and died for us,
but lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, 58-67

A Reading from the Book of Genesis:

Eliezer said, "I am Abraham's servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys.

And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.' I came today to the spring, and said, 'O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also" let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master's son.'

Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshipped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son.

Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left." And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said,

"It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 45:10-17

"Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely;
forget your people and your father's house.

The king will have pleasure in your beauty;
he is your master; therefore do him honour.

The people of Tyre are here with a gift;
the rich among the people seek your favour."

All glorious is the princess as she enters;
her gown is cloth-of-gold.

In embroidered apparel, she is brought to the king;
after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.

With joy and gladness they are brought,
and enter into the palace of the king.

"In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons;
you shall make them princes over all the earth.

I will make your name to be remembered
from one generation to another;
therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever."

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever.
Amen.

Gradual: Adoremus Te Jesu Christe (CP 338, sung 3 times)

Adoremus te Jesu Christe, alleluia, alleluia!
Et laudemus te Jesu Christe, et laudemus te, alleluia!

English:

Let us praise your name, God our Saviour, Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise and bless your name, God our Saviour,
praise and bless your name, alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

A Reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father;

and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Musical Meditation

Intercessions and Prayers

Leader With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the Church, those in need, and all of God's creation, with the words "God of Love, **Hear our Prayer.**"

Gracious God, we pray for all those whom the Church has mistreated, and give thanks for the ones who raise a prophetic voice, that your gospel may continue to be spoken to the ends of the earth. We pray for all communities who seek to live in your covenant, that righteousness would be in our hearts, and salvation would be on our lips. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray the United Church of Pakistan. In the Canadian Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Bishop, clergy, and people of the Diocese of Athabasca. God of Love,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader In our Diocese, we pray for Shane our Bishop, Anne our Metropolitan, and Linda our Primate; For St. Thomas the Apostle, Ottawa, the Venerable Peter Crosby and the Reverend Tim Kehoe;

St. Thomas, Woodlawn and St. George's, Fitzroy Harbour,
the Reverend John Stopa. God of Love,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader We pray for scientists, farmers, and engineers, that their work
would inspire in us a desire to care for the resources that you
graciously give. God of Love,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader We pray for nations and peoples that suffer oppression and
scarcity at the hands of the powerful, that they may find
restoration in your promise of life. God of Love,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader We pray for the weary and burdened, that they would hear
your call to them and find rest in your gentleness and humility.
God of Love,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Renew those who have temporary rest from their labours.
May vacations, breaks, and retirements create space for the
fullness of life to take root. God of Love,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader We give thanks for the faithful departed, and we pray that their
witness would guide this generation and those to come into
faithful living for the sake of a needy world. God of Love,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom
we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ,
our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

We are the body of Christ;
in the one Spirit, we were all baptized into one body.
Let us pursue all that makes for peace, and builds up our common life.
The peace of the Lord be always with you!
And also with you.

The Lord's Prayer

Now, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,
**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.**

Dismissal

As we begin our week,
Give us your peace.
As we pause this morning,
Give us your peace.
As we do the work you have given us to do,
Give us your peace.
For all places of need in this world,
Give us your peace.
In trusting you, O God, to care for your children,
Give us your peace.
As we seek wholeness,
Give us your peace.
As we reflect on your presence,
Let us be peace for others.

Closing Hymn: To God be the Glory (CP 371)

All can snuff their candle during the hymn, to mark the end of worship.

**To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life gate that we may go in.**

***Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he has done!***

**O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives. *Refrain***

**Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. *Refrain***

Postlude

**Coffee Hour - Join us on Zoom using this Meeting ID (868 4499 7447)
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