

# 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, August 16, 2020**

Eleventh 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# 838 3176 1252 or use the link in the Staying Connected email we sent on Friday. 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: Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies (CP 5)

**Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise!  
Triumph o'er the shades of night:  
Dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear.**

**Dark and cheerless is the morn  
unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return  
till thy mercy's beams I see,  
till they inward light impart,  
glad my eyes and warm my heart.**

**Visit then this soul of mine,  
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
fill me, Radiance divine,  
scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display,  
shining to the perfect day.**

### Collect of the Day

Almighty God,  
you have broken the tyranny of sin  
and sent into our hearts the Spirit of your Son.  
Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,  
that all people may know the glorious liberty  
of the children of God;  
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

First Reading: Genesis 45: 1-15

A Reading from the Book of Genesis:

Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer.

He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there - since there are five more years of famine to come - so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honoured in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here."

Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 133

Oh, how good and pleasant it is,  
**when brethren live together in unity!**

It is like fine oil upon the head  
**that runs down upon the beard,**

Upon the beard of Aaron,  
**and runs down upon the collar of his robe.**

It is like the dew of Hermon  
**that falls upon the hills of Zion.**

For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: life for evermore.  
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 15: 10-28

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 Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile." Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

Musical Meditation

## Intercessions and Prayers

Let us pray with confidence to the Lord, saying, “Lord, hear our prayer.”

O Lord, guard and direct your Church in the way of unity, service, and praise. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Scottish Episcopal Church. In the Canadian cycle of prayer, we pray for Bishop Geoff Woodcraft, the clergy and of the Diocese of Rupert’s Land. In our Diocese we pray for +Shane our Bishop; St. Alban, the Martyr and St. Bernard-de-Clairvaux – The Rev. Mark Whitall. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Give to all nations an awareness of the unity of the human family. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and selfishness, and inspire us to hunger and thirst for what is right. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Teach us to use your creation for your greater praise, that all may share the good things you provide. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Strengthen all who give their energy or skill for the healing of those who are sick in body or in mind. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Set free all who are bound by fear and despair. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to all who are dying, and your comfort to those who mourn. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

**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 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: In Christ There is No East or West (CP 484)

**In Christ there is no east or west,  
In him no south or north,  
But one great fam'ly bound by love  
Throughout the whole wide earth.**

**In him shall true hearts ev'rywhere  
Their high communion find;  
His service is the golden cord  
Close binding humankind.**

**Join hands, disciples in the faith,  
Whate'er your race may be!  
Who serve each other in Christ's love  
Are surely kin to me.**

**In Christ now meet both east and west,  
In him meet south and north,  
All Christly souls are one in him  
Throughout the whole wide earth.**

## Postlude

Coffee Hour - Join us on Zoom using this Meeting ID (838 3176 1252)  
or the link included in Friday's *Staying Connected* email!

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