



SUNDAY 27th JUNE – NEW BEGINNINGS

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you
and also with you.

God of our days and years,
we set this time apart for you.
Form us in the likeness of Christ
so that our lives may glorify you.
Amen.

HYMN: GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

- 1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
 there is no shadow of turning with thee ;
 thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not,
 as thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see ;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.
- 2 Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,
 sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
 join with all nature in manifold witness
 to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

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SAYING SORRY

Now we're going to think of those new beginnings God gives us each time we fail to be the people he wants us to be.

For those people we have hurt others with unkind words or actions
Lord, forgive us and help us begin again.

For those times we have not welcomed others
Lord, forgive us and help us begin again.

For those times we have forgotten you and gone our own way
Lord, forgive us and help us begin again.

For those things we have done that hurt ourselves
and spoil your image in us.
Lord forgive us.

WE ARE FORGIVEN

May the God of love bring you back to himself,
forgive you your sins, and assure you of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WE PRAISE GOD

1 *Cantor:* Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Father.

All: **Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Father.**

Cantor: To God be glory for ever!
*All: **To God be glory for ever!***
Cantor: Alleluia, amen.
*All: **Alleluia, amen.***
Alleluia, amen.
Alleluia, amen.

2 Glory to God, glory to God,
 Son of the Father.
 Glory to God, glory to God,
 Son of the Father.

3 Glory to God, glory to God,
 glory to the Spirit.
 Glory to God, glory to God,
 glory to the Spirit.

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WE SAY THE PRAYER FOR TODAY

**Gracious Father,
by the obedience of Jesus
you brought salvation to our wayward world:
draw us into harmony with your will,
that we may find all things restored in him,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

FIRST READING *Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

- ² a time to be born, and a time to die;
 a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
³ a time to kill, and a time to heal;
 a time to break down, and a time to build up;
⁴ a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
 a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

⁵ a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
⁶ a time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;
⁷ a time to tear, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
⁸ a time to love, and a time to hate;
a time for war, and a time for peace.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING *Matthew 25:14-30*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴ “For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵ to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶ The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷ In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸ But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. ¹⁹ After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰ Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ ²¹ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ ²² And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ ²³ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ ²⁴ Then the one who

had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵ so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' ²⁶ But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷ Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸ So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹ For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰ As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

TALK

WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH

Let us affirm our faith.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?
I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again
I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who
gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?
I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.
This is our faith.
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

PRAYERS

WE SHARE THE PEACE

God has called us to live in peace
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

HYMN: PURIFY MY HEART (during which the table is prepared, and the bread and wine are placed upon it)

- 1 Purify my heart,
let me be as gold and precious silver.
Purify my heart,
let me be as gold, pure gold.
- Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
is to be holy, set apart for you, Lord.
I choose to be holy, set apart for you, my Master,
ready to do your will.*
- 2 Purify my heart,
cleanse me from within and make me holy.
Purify my heart,
cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

We remain standing and say:

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
The glory, the splendour and the majesty;
For everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

We remain standing.

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 thanks and praise.

The Eucharistic prayer continues until:

...And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you
and saying:

**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 sit or kneel as the Eucharistic Prayer continues until:

Great is the mystery of faith:
**Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

The Eucharistic Prayer ends with **Amen.**

We keep a moment's silence

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us so we pray:

**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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

SONG DURING COMMUNION

- 1 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.
- 2 Be still, for the glory of the Lord
 is shining all around ;
 he burns with holy fire,
 with splendour 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.
- 3 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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

NOTICES

FINAL HYMN

You shall go out with joy
and be led forth with peace,
and the mountains and the hills
shall break forth before you.
There'll be shouts of joy,
and the trees of the field
shall clap, shall clap their hands,
and the trees of the field shall clap their hands,
and the trees of the field shall clap their hands,
and the trees of the field shall clap their hands,
and you'll go out with joy.

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Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ, Amen.

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