

**Sunday, August 16, 2020– Christ’s Church Cathedral**  
**A SERVICE OF EVENING PRAYER FOR**  
**THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**Officiant:** *Dan Tatarnic; Homilist:* *David Montgomery;*

**Cantor:** *Mark Russom; Organ:* *Michael Bloss*

**Cathedral Vocal Ensemble:** *Sarah McPherson, Richard Cunningham, Mark Russom,*  
*Jeremy Ludwig.*

*Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. In this time of social distancing and while the cathedral is closed, may these opportunities for online worship draw us together in a unity of faith.*

**Words of Welcome**

**Sentence** – Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people. (*Matthew 4.23*)

**Choral** – The Beatitudes

Arvo Pärt

*Blessed are the poor in spirit:  
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven*

*Blessed are they that mourn:  
For they shall be comforted*

*Blessed are the meek:  
For they shall inherit the earth*

*Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst  
after righteousness:  
For they shall be filled*

*Blessed are the merciful:  
For they shall obtain mercy*

*Blessed are the pure in heart:  
For they shall see God*

*Blessed are the peace makers:  
For they shall be called the children of God*

*Blessed are they which are persecuted for  
righteousness sake:  
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven*

*Blessed are ye  
When men shall revile you  
and persecute you  
and shall say all manner of evil against you  
falsely, for my sake.*

*Rejoice, and be exceeding glad:  
For great is your reward in heaven:  
For so persecuted they the prophets which  
were before you.*

*Amen*

# Introductory responses

Officiant All

Light and peace in Christ Jesus our hope Thanks be to God

Officiant All

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Blessed be God for - ever.

Officiant All

Holy, immortal one have mercy up - on us.

God of all the nations,  
all are invited to your table,  
for in your family no one is a stranger.  
Satisfy our hunger and mercifully extend to all people  
the joy of salvation and faith.  
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God for ever and ever.

All

A - - - - - men.

# Hymn – Blessed are the poor among you

Text: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 1998

Music: R. Kelso Carter, 1886.

Tune: STANDING ON THE PROMISES



Bles - sed are the poor a-mong you, Je - sus said.  
Bles - sed are you wea - ry who are long op - pressed,  
Woe to all you rich who live with blin - ders on,  
God, your way of work - ing is a great sur - prise!



Bles - sed are you hun - gry ones who long for bread.  
all be-cause you fol - low God in faith - ful - ness.  
feas - ting at your ta - bles till the food is gone.  
Help us all to see your world through faith - ful eyes.



Bles - sed are you mourn - ful when your tears a - bound.  
Leap for joy, for God will give you life a - new.  
Woe to you who laugh and live with - out a care;  
On - ly in your king - dom is our true joy found.



God is turn-ing ev - ery-thing a-round. Hear the good news!  
Long a - go the pro-phets strug-gled too! Hear the good news!  
Woe! when peo-ple praise you ev - ery where. God has spo - ken:  
By your Spi - rit, turn our lives a-round! Yours is good news!



God is giv - ing you the king-dom and the laugh-ter. God will  
God is giv - ing you the king dom and the laugh-ter. God will  
You have all re - ceived your joy and con - so - la - tion. I was  
You have of - fered us the king-dom and the laugh-ter. Please, God,



fill you and you will know the joy that o - ver-flows.  
fill you and you will know the joy that o - ver flows.  
hun - gry but did you share what God had giv - en you?  
fill us, and we will know the joy that o - ver flows.

Psalm 145 *Exaltabo te, Deus.*

Chant: Cantrell in F#

*The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another. Sung by all.*

I will exult you, / O my/god,\*  
and bless your / name for / ever ● and / ever.

Every day / will I / bless you\*  
and praise your / name for / ever ● and / ever.

You are great O God, and / greatly ● to be / praised,\*  
there / is no / end to ● your / greatness.

One generation shall praise your / works to ● a- / nother\*  
and / shall de- / clare your / power.

2<sup>nd</sup> I will ponder the glorious splendour / of your / majesty\*  
and / all your / marvell- ous / works.

You open / wide your / hand\*  
and satisfy the needs of / every / living / creature.

O God you are righteous in / all your / ways\*  
and / loving ● in / all your / works.

You are near to those who / call up- / on you,\*  
 to all who / call up- / on you / faithfully.

You fulfill the desire of / those who / fear you,\*  
 you / hear their / cry and / help them.

2<sup>nd</sup> You preserve all / those who / love you,\*  
 --- / but des- / troy all •the / wicked.

Glory to God, / Source of • all / being\*  
 eternal / Word and / Holy / Spirit.

As it was / in the • be- / ginning,  
 is now and will be for- / ever. / A-/ men.

### Gradual Alleluia

*(assembly joins in the **Refrain**, cantor sings the verse.)*

Al-le-lu - ia.                      Al-le-lu - ia.                      Al-le-lu - ia.

*O God of hosts, bring us back  
 let your face shine forth, and we shall be saved.*

## **Word (Mark 5: 25-34)**

Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

## **Words of Reflection: David Montgomery**

### **Affirmation of Faith**

We believe in the God who is the pillar of fire and the pillar of cloud. We trust in our Holy Parent who judges and shows mercy. We hope in our Creator who is faithful to all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in the Jesus who rode in triumph into Jerusalem. We trust in the Messiah who was crucified, died, and was buried. We hope in the living Christ who walked out of the tomb.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, giver of faith and formation. We trust in the Breath of Life who stirs, sustains, and sanctifies. We hope in our Advocate who brings to us, and through us, the gift of God's peace.

# The Song of Mary

*(sung by all)*



My soul proclaims the greatness of the **Lord**;  
My spirit rejoices in **God** my saviour  
For you Lord have looked with **favour**  
on your **lowly** servant.

From this day all generations will call me **blest**  
You, the Almighty, have done great things for me and holy **is** your name  
You have mercy on those who **fear** you:  
From generation to **generation**.

You have shown strength with your **arm**  
And scattered the proud in **their** conceit.  
Casting down the mighty from their **thrones**  
And lifting **up** the lowly.

You have filled the hungry with good **things**  
And sent the rich **away** empty.  
You have come to the aid of your servant **Israel**  
To remember the **promise** of mercy

The promise you made to our **forebears**  
To Abraham, Sarah, and their **children** for ever.

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.

## Collect

*The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that "collects" or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.*

Holy One of Israel, covenant-keeper,  
you gather in what has been rejected,  
restoring what is lost and healing what is wounded.  
Give us faith to speak out boldly, so that the outcast may be welcomed  
and all may be blessed

**Amen.**

## The Litany

**Refrain** *(All sing the **Refrain** after the introduction and between each intercession).*



God of Israel, may this day be one of fulfillment and peace.  
Holy One, hear and have mercy.

### Refrain

Teach us to love others as you have loved us.  
Holy One, hear and have mercy.

### Refrain

Fill the world with your peace and justice.  
Holy One, hear and have mercy.

### Refrain

Strengthen and relieve those who are in need.  
Holy One, hear and have mercy.

### Refrain

Renew the Church through the power of your life-giving Spirit.  
Holy One, hear and have mercy.

### Refrain

## Lord's Prayer

Confident in hope, let us gather our prayers and praises into one,  
and 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 forever. Amen.**

## Hymn – Companion of the poor

Words: Daniel Charles Damon , 2002

Music: Daniel Charles Damon, 2000 (Hawk Springs)



Com - pan - ion\_\_\_ of the poor:\_\_\_ God with us\_\_\_ in our  
 (Com - )pan - ion\_\_\_ of the poor:\_\_\_ You do as\_\_\_ love com  
 (Com - )pan - ion\_\_\_ of the poor:\_\_\_ By grace we\_\_\_ change our  
 (Com - )pan - ion\_\_\_ of the poor:\_\_\_ We learn to\_\_\_ care and  
 (Com - )pan - ion\_\_\_ of the poor:\_\_\_ Set ev - ery\_\_\_ heart a -



need,\_\_\_ you know the pain of pov - er - ty, the  
 mands:\_\_\_ you turn the ta - bles of our greed with  
 ways,\_\_\_ till jus - tice ris - es from our lives, and  
 bless,\_\_\_ and so, with you, we take to task the  
 blaze,\_\_\_ un - til com - pas - sion fills the earth, and



cry that has no creed.\_\_\_\_ Com -  
 strong, de - ter - mined hands.\_\_\_\_ Com -  
 mer - cy fills our days.\_\_\_\_ Com -  
 sys - tems that op - press.\_\_\_\_ Com -  
 ev - ry song is \_\_\_\_\_ praise.\_\_\_\_

## The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord, Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God, Alleluia!**

## Choral – Chorus from BWV 21

(Johann Sebastian Bach)

*Das Lamm, das erwürget ist, ist würdig zu nehmen Kraft und Reichtum und Weisheit und Stärke und Ehre und Preis und Lob. Lob und Ehre und Preis und Gewalt sei unserm Gott von Ewigkeit zu Ewigkeit. Amen, Alleluja! (Rev. 5:12-13)*

*The Lamb, that was slain, is worthy to receive power, and riches, and wisdom and strength, and honour and glory and praise. Praise and honor and glory and power be to our God for ever and ever. Amen, Alleluia!*

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NEXT SUNDAY: EVENING PRAYER FOR  
PENTECOST 12  
Canon Terry DeForest, homilist

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