

Sunday, May 17, 2020– Christ’s Church Cathedral
A SERVICE OF EVENING PRAYER FOR
THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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.

Officiant: Dan Tatarnic;
Homilist: Sharyn Hall;
Cantor/Keyboard: Brad Barnham
Organ: Michael Bloss

Words of Welcome

Sentence – If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you, and we will make our home with you (John 14:23)

Music – Hush little baby, don't you cry (arr. Brad Barnham)

*You know your mother was born to die
All my trials, Lord, soon be over
Too late my brothers, too late
But never mind
All my trials, Lord soon be over*

*If living were a thing that money could buy,
You know the rich would live
And the poor would die,
All my trials Lord, soon be over*

*Too late my brothers, too late
But never mind
All my trials, Lord soon be over*

*There grows a tree in Paradise,
The Christians call it the tree of life,
All my trials Lord, soon be over
Too late my brothers, too late
But never mind
All my trials, Lord soon be over*

Hymn – We Need Each Other's Voice

Sung by the assembly

WORDS: Thomas H. Troeger, 1986

MUSIC: Walker's Southern Harmony, 1835. RESIGNATION



We_ need each oth - er's voice to_ sing the_ songs our
We_ need each oth - er's strength to_ lift the_ cross we're
We_ need each oth - er's views to_ see the_ lim - its
We_ need each oth - er's voice to_ sing, each oth - er's



hearts would raise, to_ set the_ whole world ech - o - ing with
called to bear, Each oth - er's_ pres - ence is a_ gift of_
of the mind, that God in_ fact turns out to_ be far_
strength to love, each oth - er's_ views to help us_ bring our_



one great hymn of praise. We blend our_ voi - ces to com -
God's in - car-nate care. When acts of_ love and ten - der_
more than we've de - fined, that God's own i - mageshines in_
hearts to God a - bove. Our lives like_ coals placed side by_



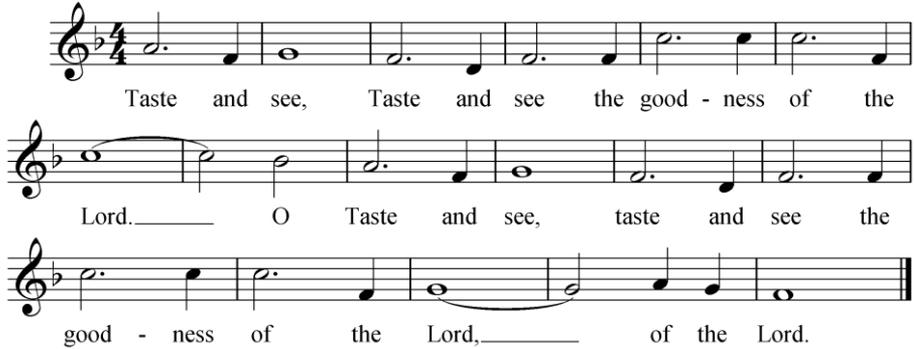
plete the_ mel - o - dy that starts with_ God who_
speech con - vey the_ Sa - viour's voice, then_ praise ex
all, in_ ev - ry_ class and race, and_ ev - ry_
side to_ feed each_ oth - er's flame, shall with the_



sets and keeps the_ beat that stirs our lov-ing hearts.
ceeds what words can_ reach and_ we with song re - joice.
group re - ceives the_ call to_ sing with faith and grace.
Spi - rit's breath pro - vide a_ blaze of faith to claim.

Psalm 34 *Benedicam Domino*

The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another. Refrain sung by all, verses by the cantor.



Taste and see, Taste and see the good - ness of the
Lord. _____ O Taste and see, taste and see the
good - ness of the Lord, _____ of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times. God's praise shall always be on my lips; my soul shall glory in the Lord; for God has been so good to me.

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us all praise God's name. I called the Lord and God answered me; from all my troubles God set me free.

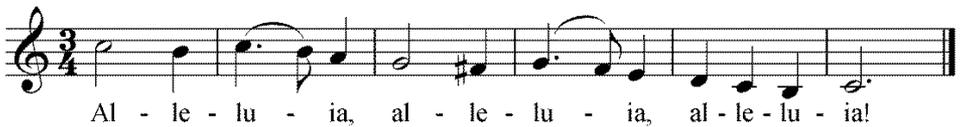
Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Worship the Lord all you people. You'll want for nothing if you ask. Taste and see that God is good; in God we need put all our trust.

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gradual Alleluia

(assembly joins in the refrain, cantor sings the verse.)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him.*

Word (Luke 12: 13-21)

Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

Words of Reflection – Rev. Canon Dr. Sharyn Hall

Affirmation of Faith

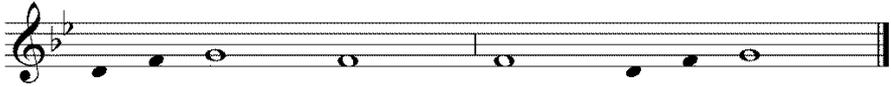
Hear, O Israel,
The Lord our God, the Lord is one.
Love the Lord your God
With all your heart,
With all your soul,
With all your mind,
And with all your strength.
This is the first and the great commandment.
The second is like it: love your neighbour as yourself
There is no commandment greater than these.

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 **blessed**
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.

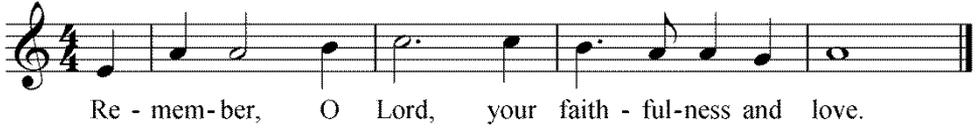
Collect

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.

Three-fold God of love, you invite us to abide in you. May we follow the Spirit of truth, so that through us your commanding love may speak to the heart of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Litany

Response *(The organ plays the refrain, and then all repeat after each petition.)*



Remember, O Lord, your faithfulness and love.

Let us pray to Christ the Redeemer, who suffers with us on the cross of a broken and hurting world; may he give us a share in the joy of His resurrection.

Remember, O Lord, your faithfulness and love.

Christ of the Garden, when all was in stillness and quiet, you shattered the chains of death; come to us now, in our hour of need, and bring warmth to the chill of this long night

Remember, O Lord, your faithfulness and love.

Christ of the New Creation, your word goes forth and does not return to you empty; vivify our parched lives in the fresh waters that spring forth from the well of our salvation

Remember, O Lord, your faithfulness and love.

Christ of the Resurrection and new life, grant that we who must passover from this life, may die with you in death, and rise with you in glory

Remember, O Lord, your faithfulness and love.

Christ the Servant King, you offer reconciliation to fractured lives, and healing to broken worlds; give to nations of this earth, wisdom and prudence to govern in the spirit of your example

Remember, O Lord, your faithfulness and love.

Christ the Word of Life, breathe upon the isolation and uncertainty of a world that longs for hope; embrace us in the strong love that bridges all doubt, all distance, and all that would divide us.

Remember, O Lord, your faithfulness and love.

Prayer for People Facing Great Uncertainty

God of the present moment,
God who in Jesus stills the storm and soothes the frantic heart;
bring hope and courage to all who wait or work in uncertainty.
Bring hope that you will make us the equal of whatever lies ahead.
Bring us courage to endure what cannot be avoided,
for your will is health and wholeness;
you are God, and we need you. **Amen.**

The 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 – The King Shall Come

Text: John Brownlie, 1907

Music: Melody *Sixteen Tune Settings*, Philadelphia, 1812. MORNING SONG



The King shall come when_ morn - ing_ dawns and
Not as of old a_ lit - tle_ child, to
Oh, bright - er than the_ ris - ing_ morn when
Oh, bright - er than that_ glo - rious_ morn shall
The King shall come when_ morn - ing_ dawns and



light tri - um - phant breaks, when_ beau - ty_ gilds the
bear and fight and die, but_ crowned with_ glo - ry
Christ, vic - to - rious, rose and_ left the_ lone - some
dawn up - on our race the_ day when_ Christ in
light and beau - ty brings. Hail,_ Christ the_ Lord! Your



east - ern_ hills and life to joy_ a - wakes.
like the_ sun that lights the morn - ing sky.
place of_ death, des - pite the rage_ of foes.
splen - dour_ comes, and we shall see_ his face.
peo - ple_ pray: come quick - ly, King_ of kings.

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord, Alleluia!

Thanks be to God, Alleluia!

May the Morning Star which never sets find the flame of His love burning in our hearts, when he comes again in glory.

Amen.

Music – Hymn to Freedom (arr. Brad Barnham)

NEXT SUNDAY: A HYMN FESTIVAL FOR
THE FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

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