



**THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:
SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2020 AT 10:30 A.M.**

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We invite you to join us and one another in worship. Since we cannot physically gather together in the space we all love so much, we gather together in different spaces, different homes, perhaps even different provinces: But we gather together still connected, and still in hope. Throughout this service you may follow along and pray and sing aloud, in the same ways you usually would. We hope this time together uplifts you and reminds us all that we can and will always come together in prayer.

Welcome

Susan Haig

Prelude: Invention 14 – *J. S. Bach*

Jill Daley

✠ The Gathering of the Community

Officiant: Susan Haig

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Kyrie

Will Reid

The Collect of the Day

Priest: Author and giver of all good things,
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us in all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Reader: A Reading from Exodus.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Exodus 3.1-15

A moment of silence is observed

Refrain



Re - call the won - ders that God has per - formed.

Give thanks to our God and call upon the holy Name;
make known God's deeds among the peoples.

Sing to God, sing praises to the Holy One,
and speak of all God's marvellous works. **Refrain**

Glory in the holy Name;
let the hearts of those who seek God rejoice.
Let us search for you and your strength, O God,
let us continually seek your face. **Refrain**

Let us remember the marvels you have done,
your wonders and the judgments of your mouth,
O offspring of Abraham your servant,
O children of Jacob your chosen. **Refrain**

Israel came into Egypt,
And Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.
You, God, made your people exceedingly fruitful;
You made them stronger than their enemies; **Refrain**

Whose heart you turned, so that they hated your people,
And dealt unjustly with your servants.
You sent Moses your servant,
And Aaron whom you had chosen.
Hallelujah! **Refrain**

Second Reading

Heather Bennett

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in

spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Romans 12.9-21

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Sequence Hymn: #698 (Gather) "Take Up Your Cross"

Mike & Jill Daley, Will Reid



1. Take up your cross, the Sav-iour said, If you would my dis - ci - ple
2. Take up your cross, let not its weight Fill your weak spir - it with a -
3. Take up your cross, heed not the shame, And let your fool - ish heart be
4. Take up your cross, then, in his strength, And calm - ly ev - 'ry dan - ger
5. Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, Nor think till death to lay it



be; Take up your cross with will - ing heart, And hum - bly
larm; His strength shall bear your spir - it up, And brace your
still; The Lord for you ac - cept - ed death Up - on a
brave: It guides you to a bet - ter home And leads to
down; For on - ly those who bear the cross May hope to



fol - low af - ter me.
heart and nerve your arm.
cross, on Cal - v'ry's hill.
vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
wear the glo - rious crown.

Text: Charles W. Everest, 1814-1877, alt. Tune: O WALY WALY, LM;
English; harm. by Martin West, b.1929, © 1983, Hope Publishing Co.

The Gospel

Susan Haig

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?”

“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

Matthew 16.21-28

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

Homily

Susan Haig

We pause for music and meditation.

Meditation



1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul? What won-drous love is
 2. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To God and to the
 3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And when from death I'm



this, O my soul? What won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of
 Lamb, I will sing; To God and to the Lamb who is the great I
 free, I'll sing on; And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy-ful



bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul, for my soul; To
 Am, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing; While
 be, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on, I'll sing on! And



bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
 mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.
 through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

Text: Alexander Means, 1801-1853. Tune: Wondrous Love; Southern Harmony, 1835; harm. from Cantate Domino, 1980. © 1980, World Council of Churches.

The Prayers of the People

Christopher Cantlon

Leader: As followers of Jesus Christ, let us pray to our loving Father in heaven. Father, help us all in your Church to understand what it really means to love and serve you. At the times of testing, strengthen us, at unexpected or undeserved suffering, support us, at the end of our energy, revive us and teach us through it all the inexplicable peace and joy that comes from doing your will.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: We look to the cross:

All: And see your love for us.

Leader: Father have mercy on us for the misdirected use of time, money and resources in this world. In the struggle against evil and sin, empower us, so that justice and righteousness are established, upheld and celebrated, as hearts rejoice in the freedom of all that is good.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: We look to the cross:

All: And see your love for us.

Leader: Father, renew our commitment to your loving in all our relationships, our work and our prayer. In the hard choices, give us wisdom, in the painful decisions, affirm us, and may our words speak your truth, whether that is to encourage, to comfort or to challenge.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: We look to the cross:

All: And see your love for us.

Leader: Father, bring healing and wholeness to those who suffer, in body, mind or spirit. In the sleepless nights and endless days of pain, give grace to persevere with patience, and turn those dark times into places of spiritual growth.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: We look to the cross:

All: And see your love for us.

Leader: We pray for those who have laid down their burdens and whose suffering has ended.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord. And let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Embrace those who loved them with the perfect consolation of your love and the promise of new life.

Leader: We look to the cross:

All: And see your love for us.

Leader: Father, the full extent of your love for us is so much greater that we can ever imagine, and in our love and thankfulness we offer the praise of our lives.

Please add your prayers of thanksgiving over in the chat box

Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

All: **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.**

The Doxology

Priest: Glory to God,

All: **whose power working in us
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Hymn: #770 (Gather) “Soon and very soon”



1. Soon and ver-y soon we are goin' to see the King, Soon and ver-y soon we are
2. No more cry-in' there we are goin' to see the King, No more cry-in' there we are
3. No more dy-in' there we are goin' to see the King, No more dy-in' there we are
4. Soon and ver-y soon we are goin' to see the King, Soon and ver-y soon we are



goin' to see the King, Soon and ver-y soon we are goin' to see the King, Hal-le-
goin' to see the King, No more cry-in' there we are goin' to see the King, Hal-le-
goin' to see the King, No more dy-in' there we are goin' to see the King, Hal-le-
goin' to see the King, Soon and ver-y soon we are goin' to see the King, Hal-le-



lu - jah, Hal-le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!



Hal-le - lu - jah, Hal-le - lu - jah, Hal-le - lu - jah, Hal-le - lu - jah.

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The Dismissal

Susan Haig

Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Ministry Updates

Susan Haig

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