



THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 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**

*Steven Mackison*

**Prelude:** Giga from Partita #3 – J. S. Bach

*Jill Daley*

## **✠ The Gathering of the Community**

*Officiant: Steven Mackison*

**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:** Stir up, O Lord,  
the wills of your faithful people,  
that richly bearing the fruit of good works,  
we may by you be richly rewarded;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **First Reading**

*Tony Crosbie*

**Reader:** A Reading from Exodus.

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel

of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

Exodus 12.1-14

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

*A moment of silence is observed*

Psalm 149 – *George Black*

*Will Reid*

**Refrain**

Sing to our God a new song

Hallelujah! Sing to God a new song;  
Sing praise in the congregation of the faithful.  
Let Israel rejoice in their maker;  
Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. **Refrain**

Let them praise God's name in the dance;  
Let them sing praise with timbrel and harp.  
For God takes pleasure in all people  
And adorns the poor with victory. **Refrain**



Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;  
Let them be joyful on their beds.  
Let the praises of God be in their throat  
And a two-edged sword in their hand; **Refrain**

To wreak vengeance on the nations  
And punishment on the peoples;  
To bind their rulers in chains  
And their nobles with links of iron;  
To inflict on them the judgment decreed;  
This is glory for all faithful people. Hallelujah! **Refrain**

## **Second Reading**

*Kate Werneburg*

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

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbour as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

Romans 13:8-14

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*A moment of silence is observed*



## Sequence Hymn: #14 (More Voices) “Where Two or Three are Gathered”



Where two or three are ga-thered in my name, I am there, I am there.

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## The Gospel

*Steven Mackison*

*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.**

[Jesus said:] “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

*Reader:* The Gospel of Christ.

Matthew 18.15-20

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

## Homily

*Steven Mackison*

*We pause for music and meditation.*

## Meditation

*Mike & Jill Daley*

## Hymn: #623 (Gather) “Not for Tongues of Heaven’s Angels”



1. Not for tongues of heav-en's an - gels, Not for wis-dom to dis - cern,  
2. Love is hum - ble, love is gen - tle, Love is ten - der, true, and kind;  
3. Nev - er jeal - ous, nev - er self - ish, Love will not re - joice in wrong;  
4. Soon will fade the word of wis - dom, Faith and hope be one day past:



Not for faith that mas-ters moun-tains, For this bet - ter gift we yearn:  
Love is gra-cious, ev - er pa - tient, Gen - er - ous of heart and mind -  
Nev - er boast - ful nor re - sent - ful, Love be - lieves and suf - fers long -  
When we see our Sav - iour clear - ly, Love it is a - lone will last

### Refrain



May love be ours, Lord; may love be ours. May love be ours, O Lord.

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## The Prayers of the People

*Peter Bennett*

*Leader:* In our need and human weakness, let us come to Almighty God with our prayers. Unchanging God, change us from the heart until the whole Church awakens to your love that reaches out, nurtures and celebrates, neither holding back from what is difficult, nor rushing where angels fear to tread. We pray for sensitivity and courage.

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

*Leader:* Lord, take us by the hand:

*All:* **And lead us in your love.**

*Leader:* Almighty God, give us such love for the world that we may pray with longing and desire, “Your kingdom come.” Give our leaders the grace to see their work as service and their role as stewards; and sharpen both the recognition of needs and the commitment to just provision.

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

*Leader:* Lord, take us by the hand:

**All: And lead us in your love.**

*Leader:* Merciful God, break all habits of destructive behavior in our homes and families, our friendships and in all the homes of this parish. Develop our ability to celebrate what is good and confront what is failing in our lives.

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

*Leader:* Lord, take us by the hand:

**All: And lead us in your love.**

*Leader:* Healing God, lay your hands on those who suffer, so that they may know the support of your presence and find wholeness and peace in your love. We pray for those who are locked into the conviction that they are beyond your forgiveness. May they quickly discover the freedom of your acceptance.

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

*Leader:* Lord, take us by the hand:

**All: And lead us in your love.**

*Leader:* Eternal God, in your unchanging love receive all those who have died in faith, that they may rejoice in you for ever.

*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. Bring a sense of comfort to those who are in despair, reminding them of your commitment never to abandon us in death.

*Leader:* Lord, take us by the hand:

**All: And lead us in your love.**

*Leader:* Gracious God, we thank you for providing us with a sure hope in which we can face the worst and not be overwhelmed.

*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: #658 (Gather) “Bring Forth the Kingdom”



1. You are salt for the earth, O peo-ple: Salt for the King-dom of God!
2. You are a light on the hill, O peo-ple: Light for the Cit - y of God!
3. You are a seed of the Word, O peo-ple: Bring forth the King-dom of God!
4. We are a blest and a pil-grim peo-ple: Bound for the King-dom of God!



Share the fla-vour of life, O peo - ple: Life in the King-dom of God!  
Shine so ho - ly and bright, O peo - ple: Shine for the King-dom of God!  
Seeds of mer-cy and seeds of jus - tice, Grow in the King-dom of God!  
Love our jour-ney and love our home-land: Love is the King-dom of God!

### Refrain



Bring forth the King-dom of mer-cy, Bring forth the King-dom of peace;



Bring forth the King-dom of jus-tice, Bring forth the Cit-y of God!

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### The Dismissal

*Steven Mackison*

**Priest:** Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia!

**People:** Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

### Ministry Updates

*Steven Mackison*

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