

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020 AT 9:00 A.M.

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# Welcome

*Steven Mackison*

Prelude: Placido è il Mar – *W.A. Mozart*

*Dan Norman*

Placido è il mar, andiamo;  
Tutto ci rassicura.  
Felice avrem ventura,  
Su su, partiamo or or.

*The sea is calm; let us go;  
everything is reassuring;  
we shall have good fortune;  
come, let us leave at once!*

## ✠ The Gathering of the Community

### The Greeting

*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.**

**Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.**

### The Collect of the Day

*Priest:* Almighty God,  
you have created the heavens and the earth,  
and ourselves in your image.  
Teach us to discern your hand in all your works  
and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## ✠ The Proclamation of the Word

### First Reading

*Sylvia Xin Yue Wang*

*Reader:* A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?” And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD.”

Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

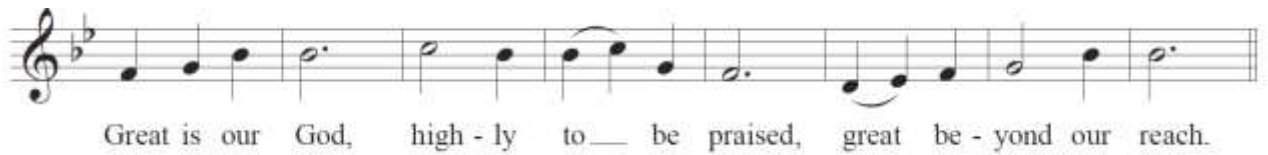
In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

Exodus 16.2-15

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*A moment of silence is observed*

**Refrain:**

I will exalt you, O sovereign God,  
and bless your Name for ever and ever.  
Every day will I bless you  
and praise your Name for ever and ever. **Refrain**

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised;  
there is no end to your greatness.  
One generation shall praise your works to another  
and shall declare your power. **Refrain**

I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty  
and all your marvelous works.  
They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts,  
and I will tell of your greatness. **Refrain**

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness;  
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.  
God is gracious and full of compassion,  
slow to anger and of great kindness. **Refrain**

**Second Reading***Paul Rodger*

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

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one

spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

Philippians 1.21-30

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

*A moment of silence is observed*

Hymn: #503 (Common Praise) “Fight the Good Fight”



1. Fight the good fight with all thy might, Christ is thy strength and Christ thy  
2. Run the straight race, through God's good grace; lift up thine eyes and seek his  
3. Cast care a - side, lean on thy guide; his bound-less mer - cy will pro-  
4. Faint not, nor fear, his arms are near; he chang-eth not and thou art



right; lay hold on life and it shall be thy joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.  
face. Life with its path be - fore us lies; Christ is the way and Christ the prize.  
vide; trust, and the trust-ing soul shall prove Christ is its life, and Christ its love.  
dear. On - ly be-lieve, and thou shalt see that Christ is all in all to thee.

Text: John Samuel Bewley Monsell (1811-1875). Music: William Boyd (1847-1928).

## The Gospel

*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) “For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into

the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

*Reader:* The Gospel of Christ.

Matthew 20.1-16

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

**Homily:** Nate Wall

*We pause for music and meditation*

Meditation: Tantum ergo – *Maurice Duruflé*

*Virtual Choir*

Tantum ergo Sacramentum veneremur cernui  
Et antiquum documentum novo cedat rituri,  
Præstet fides supplementum sensuum defecturi.

Genitori genitoque laus et jubilatio,  
Salus, honor, virtus quoque sir et benedictio,  
Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio.  
Amen.

*Such a sacrament, therefore, let us venerate with bowed heads,  
And let the ancient testimony give way to a new ritual,  
Let faith provide a supplement for the inadequacy of the senses.*

*To Father and Son let there be laud and jubilation,  
Salvation, honour and virtue also and blessing,  
And to Him who proceeds from both of them let there be equal praise.  
Amen.*

Hymn: #380 (Common Praise) "O Worship the King"



1.O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove; O grate - ful - ly  
2.O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the  
3.The earth with its store of won - ders un - told, Al - might - y, thy  
4.Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the  
5.Frail child - ren of dust, and fee - ble as frail, in thee do we  
6.O mea - sure - less Might, in - ef - fa - ble Love, while an - gels de -



sing his power and his love; our shield and de - fend - er, the  
light, whose can - o - py space; his char - iots of wrath the deep  
power hath found - ed of old, hath stab - lished it fast by a  
air, it shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it de -  
trust, nor find thee to fail; thy mer - cies how ten - der, how  
light to hymn thee a - bove, the hum - bler cre - a - tion, though



An - cient of Days, pa - vilioned in splen - dour and gird - ed with praise.  
thun - der - clouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
change - less de - cree, and round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
scends to the plain, and sweet - ly dis - tils in the dew and the rain.  
firm to the end, our ma - ker, de - fen - der, re - dee - mer, and friend.  
fee - ble their lays, with true a - dor - a - tion shall sing to thy praise.

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## The Prayers of the People

*Jenny Kerber*

**Leader:** Let us come with openness to express our concerns for the Church and the world, to the God of compassion and gracious understanding.

*A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or offer them in silence.*

**Leader:** Gracious God, whenever we are offended by your generosity or open-mindedness, give us the grace to repent and rejoice in the blessings of others. Guard the church against self-righteousness and instill in us the law of love.

Not our will, O Lord:

**All:** **But your will be done.**

*Leader:* Loving God, increase in us compassion, not only for victims but for perpetrators of evil and violence in our world; for all governments which run on corruption and fear. We pray for a change of heart, an awakening to a better way of living, and the courage to stand up for what is right.

*A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or offer them in silence.*

*Leader:* Not our will, O Lord:

**All: But your will be done.**

*Leader:* Holy God, may our closeness to family and friends inspire us to be more inclusive of others, always welcoming the stranger in our midst. Encourage us in relentless hospitality and keep us from becoming possessive with those we love.

*A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or offer them in silence.*

Not our will, O Lord:

**All: But your will be done.**

*Leader:* Compassionate God, we pray for all who are vulnerable, unable to care for themselves, for those who can't cope, and those who are afflicted in body, mind, or spirit.

*A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or offer them in silence.*

Not our will, O Lord:

**All: But your will be done.**

*Leader:* Eternal God, we pray for those who have died alone, unmourned and unnoticed. We pray for those who have committed suicide or died in accidents of their own making. We pray for all whose lives have ended and who now look to you in hope. We commend them to your merciful love.

*A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or offer them in silence.*

*Leader:* Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord. And let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Bless and comfort those who mourn their loss with the promise of new life.

Not our will, O Lord:

**All: But your will be done.**

*Leader:* Dear God, we thank you for helping us to hear you in prayer; deepen our loving so that as we pray through this week we may do so with the heart of compassion.

*Please give voice to your prayers of thanksgiving or offer them in silence*



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 # 565 (Common Praise) “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”



1. Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this bar - ren land.  
2. Op - en now the crys - tal foun - tain whence the heal - ing stream doth flow;  
3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious fears sub - side;



I am weak but thou art might - y; hold me with thy power - ful hand.  
let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my jour - ney through  
death of death, and hell's des - truc - tion, land me safe on Ca - naan's side:



Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en, feed me till I want no more,  
Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and shield,  
songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es, I will e - ver give to thee,



feed me till I want no more.  
be thou still my strength and shield.  
I will ev - er give to thee.

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### The Dismissal

*Steven Mackison*

**Priest:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

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

### Ministry Updates

*Steven Mackison*

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