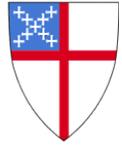




Sunday August 2, 2020
9th Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 13
Year A, RCL



PRELUDE:
Deep River

Charles Morey, violin
arr. Jascha Heitz

OPENING HYMN 522: Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

Austria

- 1 **G**lorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
he whose word cannot be broken
formed thee for his own abode;
on the Rock of Ages founded,
what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
- 2 See! the streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters
and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river
ever will their thirst assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver
never fails from age to age.
- 3 Round each habitation hovering,
see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a covering,
showing that the Lord is near.
Thus deriving from their banner,
light by night, and shade by day,
safe they feed upon the manna
which he gives them when they pray.
- 4 Blest inhabitants of Zion,
washed in the Redeemer's blood!
Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
makes them kings and priests to God.
'Tis his love his people raise
over self to reign as kings:
and as priests, his solemn praises
each for a thank-offering brings.

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People:

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE HYMN OF PRAISE S280: Gloria

Robert Powell

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

THE COLLECT

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT – Isaiah 55 : 1 – 5

- Read by Ceilia Mathew

Thus says the Lord:

"Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you."

The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

PSALM 145 : 8 – 9, 15 – 22

Exaltabo te, Deus

- Read by Sharon & Ceilia Mathew

- 8 **T**he Lord is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 The Lord is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.
- 15 The Lord upholds all those who fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed down.
- 16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, *
and you give them their food in due season.
- 17 You open wide your hand *
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
- 18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways *
and loving in all his works.
- 19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him, *
to all who call upon him faithfully.
- 20 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; *
he hears their cry and helps them.
- 21 The Lord preserves all those who love him, *
but he destroys all the wicked.
- 22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; *
let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.

THE EPISTLE: Romans 9 : 1 – 5

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

- Read by Sharon Mathew

I am speaking the truth in Christ – I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit – I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

- 1 **A**s Jacob with travel was weary one day,
at night on a stone for a pillow he lay;
he saw in a vision a ladder so high,
that its foot was on earth and its top in the sky:

*Alleluia to Jesus, who died on the tree
and has raised up a ladder of mercy for me.*

- 2 The ladder is long, it is strong and well-made,
has stood hundreds of years and is not yet decayed;
many millions have climbed it and reached Zion's hill,
many millions by faith now are climbing it still:

Refrain

- 3 Come, let us ascend! All may climb it who will,
for the angels of Jacob are guarding it still;
and remember, each step that by faith we pass o'er,
many prophets and martyrs have trod it before:

Refrain

- 4 And when we arrive at the haven of rest,
we shall hear the glad words, "Come to me all the blest,
here are regions of light, here are mansions of bliss."
Who would not want to climb such a ladder as this:

Refrain

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 14 : 13 – 21

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

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

THE SERMON:

- The Rev. William Scrivener

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**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

The congregation is invited to stand

- Read by the Meeks Family: Ben & Hannah, Lola & Ruby

Let us pray that we may be filled with the love of God's Spirit...

We pray for God's house, God's children, and our work in the world.

Silence

God of love

People: **Grant our prayer**

We pray for our homes and those who make it wonderful.

Silence

God of love

People: **Grant our prayer**

We pray for the health and strength of all God's creation.

Silence

God of love

People: **Grant our prayer**

We pray for our united worries and obstacles.

Silence

God of love

People: **Grant our prayer**

We pray for those who suffer and need healing.

Silence

God of love

People: **Grant our prayer**

We pray for those who have lived and loved before us.

Silence

God of love

People: **Grant our prayer**

Jesus, Lord of life,

In your mercy, hear us,

Accept our prayers,

And be with us always. Amen.

THE PEACE

The Meeks Family:

The peace of the Lord be always with you

People:

And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace

THE OFFERTORY:

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Griff Bludworth

Repton

THE PRAYERS – Birthdays and Anniversaries of Weddings and Unions

We pray for all celebrating birthdays this week, especially for those of our parish, ...

And we pray for those celebrating wedding anniversaries and unions, especially , ...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us,
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH'S TIME OF TRANSITION

**God of wisdom and love,
We pray for the leadership and future of this church
And ask for your wisdom and guidance during this time of change
and in the discernment of our new Rector.
Uphold us in word, in sacrament and in one another,
In change and in challenge, in humility and in hope.
May our minds be your mind, our will be your will,
and our hearts be your heart,
That filled with your Spirit our church
may continue the work you have begun in us,
Living in word and action, the life and love of your kingdom,
now and forever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

CLOSING WLP 801: God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Randolph

- 1 **G**od be with you till we meet again;
by wise counsels guide, uphold you,
with the sheep securely fold you:
God be with you till we meet again.
- 2 God be with you till we meet again;
'neath bright wings protecting hide you,
daily manna still provide you:
God be with you till we meet again.
- 3 God be with you till we meet again;
when life's perils thick confound you,
put strong arms unfailing round you:
God be with you till we meet again.
- 4 God be with you till we meet again;
keep love's banner floating o'er you,
smite death's threat'ning wave before you:
God be with you till we meet again.

POSTLUDE:

Adagio from Sonata #3, in d minor, for violin & piano

Charles Morey, violin

J. Brahms