



St. John's Episcopal Church

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST MORNING PRAYER RITE II JUNE 28, 2020 10:00 AM

Voluntary

Elegy

C. Hubert H. Parry

Entrance Hymn 525 (*Sung by all*)

The Church's one foundation

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed;
yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?"
and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war
she waits the consummation of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed,
and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

The Opening Acclamation

Priest: 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 Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Song of Praise (*Sung twice by all*)

Praise the Lord

Cameroon traditional

Praise, praise, praise the Lord. Praise God's Holy name. Alleluia. (*Repeat*)

Praise God's Holy Name, Alleluia, Praise God's Holy Name. Alleluia. (*Repeat*)

The First Lesson Genesis 22:1-2, 9-14

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 661, vv. 1-2 (*Sung by all*)

They cast their nets in Galilee

They cast their nets in Galilee just off the hills of brown;
such happy, simple fisher-folk, before the Lord came down.

Contented, peaceful fishermen, before they ever knew
the peace of God that filled their hearts brimful, and broke them too.

The Second Lesson Matthew 10:40-42

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Homily

The Sermon

The Reverend Abigail W. Moon

The Apostles' Creed *(Said by all)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work; for our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; for all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; for the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; for those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; for all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; John, Charles, and Dorsey, our Bishops; and all bishops and other ministers; for all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, remembering Julia Livingston, Stephen Mitchell, Kay McNab, Doug Fields, Diane White, Bonnie McHugh, Ralph Turner, Shari Arrington, Virginia McMullen, and those with Coronavirus.

The People may add their own petitions, silently or aloud, at home or in the Facebook Live chat screen.

Hear us, Lord, for your mercy is great.

Celebrating today the ministries of San Pedro Apóstol, we thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King, and praise your Name for ever and ever.

Remembering Jim Jones, we pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People: Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Officiant concludes with the absolution of sin.

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Offertory

For the mountains shall depart
Brian Arsenault, baritone

Felix Mendelssohn

You can make your offering to God a few different ways:

1. *You can text your gift by texting STJOHNS to 732-56*
2. *You can go to the St. John's website and click on the Donate button on the top-right of the homepage.*
3. *You can mail your gift to the church office: St. John's Episcopal Church, Attn: Finance Office, 211 N. Monroe St., Tallahassee, FL, 32301.*
4. *If you bank online, set up St. John's as a vendor with your bank for quick, easy, online payments.*

The Lord's Prayer *(Said by all)*

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer for the Human Family *(Said by all)*

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn *(Sung by all)*

Cantad al Señor

Cantad al Señor un cántico nuevo, cantad al Señor un cántico nuevo,
cantad al Señor un cántico nuevo, cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor.

O sing to the Lord; O sing God a new song. (3x)
O sing to the Lord; O sing to the Lord.

For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders. (3x)
O sing to the Lord; O sing to the Lord.

So dance to our God and blow all the trumpets. (3x)
O sing to the Lord; O sing to the Lord.

O shout to our God, who gave us the Spirit. (3x)
O sing to the Lord; O sing to the Lord.

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

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Flower dedications

In loving memory of Lanue B. Ryan by his brother, Clayton N. Ryan

In celebration of the 35th wedding anniversary of Doug and Cynthia Lee Sessions