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The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, October 18, 2020
Morning Prayer - 10:00 a.m.

Fr John is away today.

Postulants Dolores Vargas & Luke Childs will serve in his stead, with Dolores officiating and Luke preaching.

^ denotes when the congregation is invited to stand, as they are able

+denotes when the congregation is invited to kneel, as they are able

OPENING SENTENCE[^]

Book of Common Prayer p. 11

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be always acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

PSALM 19:14

WELCOME[^]

Dolores Vargas, Postulant

LITANY IN THE TIME OF THE CORONAVIRUS⁺

*Written by Fr. Michael Kurth & Modified by Bp. Eric Menees
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God the Father,
Have mercy on us.

God the Son,
Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,
Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God,
Have mercy on us.

Almighty God, creator of the universe, Lord and judge of us all; You are the great physician, who gives sight to the blind and restores the palsied limbs of the lame. We cry out to you to rid the earth of this contagious virus; by your mighty hand cast it into darkness and guide us in the light of your saving grace.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who are anxious and uncertain in the midst of this outbreak of COVID-19. As the sorrows of our hearts and minds increase, we beseech you to save us from all trouble and fear. Cast away all works of darkness. Be our rock, a castle to keep us safe. For the Lord is our stronghold and sure defense, and he will be our Savior.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have died: receive them into the arms of your mercy, grant them eternal peace, and surround those who mourn with your healing grace.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those directly infected with the virus: help them to recover in good health and restore them in body, mind and spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those at high risk of infection, especially the elderly, those with underlying illnesses, the marginalized, and the poor: keep them healthy and free from all sickness.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those in quarantine, the shut-in, and the infirmed: help them find peace, keep them in good health, and renew their mind and spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all hospitals, doctors, nurses, and staff: protect them as they minister to the sick, relieve all stress, and provide the resources and space to meet the needs of all the infirmed.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For first responders: guard them from all harm, and grant them strength and courage as they respond to all calls for help.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those working in essential services: keep them healthy, bestow the resources to best care for themselves and their families, and assure them in times of financial and medical anxiety.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those experiencing financial loss and uncertainty of resources: have mercy on them, alleviate any fear, and provide for them daily bread and wage.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the leaders of this nation and the world: help them make sound and safe decisions to best secure the future of our planet.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all schools, students, educators, administrators and school staff: please keep them healthy and of good cheer; feed those who relied on the schools for meals, and shelter all students who have no place to live.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all scientists, physicians and those working to find a cure: inspire them towards your truth, and help them discover and disseminate a vaccine and cure.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all media and journalists: protect them from all harm in their reporting, and move them to be a vector of truth and certainty, and never fear or panic.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all churches: embolden them to be beacons of Christ's hope and love, and help us to gather however and wherever we can – be it in person or online – to give you praise.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the leaders of our church: help them minister to their flock; fortify them to be faithful pastors, to persevere in prayer, and to build up the family of God in new and creative ways.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the young: spare them from harm and fear, and keep them a joyful sign of your love and light.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all parents: build in them strength and fortitude for the time ahead, and give them the words and witness to be wise counselors and compassionate caregivers.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For calm amidst the storm: as the waves toss our boat and we wonder “do you not care?”, remind us to not be afraid, that with you all things are possible, and that even the wind and sea obey you.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Stir up in us a spirit of compassion and tenacity for the time ahead.

Amen.

Move us to check-in with loved ones at high risk of infection and those in quarantine.

Amen.

Ease our fear and anxiety, that we may share our resources rather than hoard them, and extend a helping hand to those in need.

Amen.

Inspire us to share the Good News of your love and hope.

Amen.

All this we ask through your son Jesus Christ our Lord: healer of the sick, ruler of the tempestuous sea, and Savior of the world.

Amen.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

OPENING HYMN: “All Creatures of Our God and King”

Hymn 400

1. All creatures of our God and King / lift up your voices, let us sing; Alleluia, alleluia! / Bright burning sun with golden beams / pale silver moon that gently gleams / O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2. Dear mother earth, you day by day / Unfold your blessings on our way, O praise him, Alleluia! / All flowers and fruits that in you grow, let them his glory also show / O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3. All you with mercy in your heart / forgiving others, take your part, O sing now; Alleluia! / All you that pain and sorrow bear / praise God, and cast on him your care / O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4. Let all things their creator bless / and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, Alleluia! / Praise God the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One / O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION[†]

BCP 11-13

The Officiant says to the People

Dearly beloved, the Scriptures teach us to acknowledge our many sins and offenses, not concealing them from our heavenly Father, but confessing them with humble and obedient hearts that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy. We ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before Almighty God, but especially when we come together in his presence to give thanks for the great benefits we have received at his hands, to declare his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things which are necessary for our life and our salvation. Therefore, draw near with me to the throne of heavenly grace.

Silence is kept. All kneeling, the Officiant and People say

Almighty and most merciful Father,

we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against your holy laws.

**We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done;
and apart from your grace, there is no health in us.**

O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Spare all those who confess their faults.

**Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus
our Lord.**

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,

**that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.**

A Deacon or layperson remains kneeling and prays

Grant to your faithful people, merciful Lord, pardon and peace; that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE INVITATORY[^]

BCP 13

All stand.

Officiant

O Lord, open our lips;

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**
Officiant O God, make speed to save us;
People **O Lord, make haste to help us.**
Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
People **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**
Officiant Praise the Lord.
People **The Lord's Name be praised.**

ANTIPHON II^

BCP 14

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:*

O come, let us adore him.

JUBILATE^

BCP 15

O be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
 serve the Lord with gladness,
 and come before his presence with a song.
Be assured that the Lord, he is God; *
 it is he that has made us, and not we ourselves;
 we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise; *
 be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting, *
 and his truth endures from generation to generation.

ANTIPHON II^

BCP 14

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:*

O come, let us adore him.

PSALM 96

BCP 395

- ¹ O sing unto the Lord a new song; *
 sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
- ² **Sing unto the Lord and praise his Name; ***
 tell of his salvation from day to day.
- ³ Declare his honor to the nations, *
 and his wonders to all peoples.
- ⁴ **For the Lord is great, and highly to be praised; ***
 he is more to be feared than all gods.
- ⁵ As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *
 but it is the Lord who made the heavens.
- ⁶ **Glory and majesty are before him; ***
 power and honor are in his sanctuary.
- ⁷ Ascribe unto the Lord, O you families of the peoples, *
 ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.

- ⁸ **Ascribe unto the Lord the honor due unto his Name; *
bring offerings and come into his courts.**
- ⁹ O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; *
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
- ¹⁰ **Tell it out among the nations, "The Lord is King; *
it is he who has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;
he shall judge the peoples righteously."**
- ¹¹ Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; *
let the sea make a noise, and all that is therein.
- ¹² **Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it; *
then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.**
- ¹³ For he comes, for he comes to judge the earth, *
and with righteousness to judge the world,
and the peoples with his truth.
- All:* **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON: Malachi 3:1-12

English Standard Version

¹ "Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ² But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. ³ He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the Lord. ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

⁵ "Then I will draw near to you for judgment. I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired worker in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, against those who thrust aside the sojourner, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

⁶ "For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. ⁷ From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the Lord of hosts. But you say, 'How shall we return?' ⁸ Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, 'How have we robbed you?' In your tithes and contributions. ⁹ You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me, the whole nation of you. ¹⁰ Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. ¹¹ I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of your soil, and your vine in the field shall not fail to bear, says the Lord of hosts. ¹² Then all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a land of delight, says the Lord of hosts.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTUS ES, DOMINE^

BCP 18-19

**Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; *
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

Glory to you, beholding the depths; *
 in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
 Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
 SONG OF THE THREE YOUNG MEN, 29-34

THE SECOND LESSON: Matthew 22:15-22

English Standard Version

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle (Jesus) in his words. ¹⁶ And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹ They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ²² When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTUS^

BCP 19

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
 he has come to his people and set them free.
 He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
 born of the house of his servant David.
 Through his holy prophets he promised of old
 that he would save us from our enemies, *
 from the hands of all who hate us.
 He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
 and to remember his holy covenant.
 This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
 to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
 Free to worship him without fear, *
 holy and righteous in his sight
 all the days of our life.
 You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
 for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
 To give his people knowledge of salvation *
 by the forgiveness of their sins.
 In the tender compassion of our God *
 the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
 To shine on those who dwell in darkness
 and in the shadow of death, *
 and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; *
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
 world without end. Amen.

LUKE 1:68-79

SERMON

Luke Childs, Postulant

SERMON SUPPLEMENT

Scriptures: English Standard Version

Deuteronomy 14:22-23

²²“You shall tithe all the yield of your seed that comes from the field year by year. ²³ And before the LORD your God, in the place that he will choose, to make his name dwell there, you shall eat the tithe of your grain, of your wine, and of your oil, and the firstborn of your herd and flock, that you may learn to fear the LORD your God always.

Numbers 18:21-22

²¹“To the Levites I have given every tithe in Israel for an inheritance, in return for their service that they do, their service in the tent of meeting, ²² so that the people of Israel do not come near the tent of meeting, lest they bear sin and die.

Leviticus 27:30-32

³⁰“Every tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the trees, is the LORD's; it is holy to the LORD. ³¹ If a man wishes to redeem some of his tithe, he shall add a fifth to it. ³² And every tithe of herds and flocks, every tenth animal of all that pass under the herdsman's staff, shall be holy to the LORD.

Nehemiah 13:10-11

¹⁰ I also found out that the portions of the Levites had not been given to them, so that the Levites and the singers, who did the work, had fled each to his field. ¹¹ So I confronted the officials and said, “Why is the house of God forsaken?” And I gathered them together and set them in their stations.



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Render_unto_Caesar#/media/File:Tiberius,_Denar,_Lyon,_CNG.jpg

THE APOSTLES' CREED^

BCP 20

Officiant and People together, all standing

**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 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.

RESPONSE HYMN: "Before the Throne of God Above"



1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove, I have a strong and per - fect
 2. When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, And tells me of the guilt with -
 3. Be - hold Him there, the ris - en Lamb! My per - fect spot - less right - eous -

plea: A great High Priest whose name is Love, Who ev - er
 in, Up - ward I look and see Him there, Who made an
 ness, The great un - change - a - ble I AM, The King of

lives and pleads for me. My name is grav - en on His hands. My name is
 end of all my sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died My sin - ful
 Glo - ry and of Grace. One with Him - self, I can - not die; My soul is

writ - ten on His heart. I know that while in heav'n He stands, No tongue can
 soul is count - ed free. For God, the Just, is sat - is - fied To look on
 pur - chased by His blood. My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my

bid me thence de - part; no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
 Him and par - don me; to look on Him and par - don me.
 Sav - ior and my God; with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God!

4. I bow before the cross of Christ / And marvel at this love divine / God's perfect Son was sacrificed / To make me righteous in God's eyes / This river's depths I cannot know / But I can glory in its flood / The Lord Most High has bowed down low / And poured on me His glorious love / And poured on me His glorious love

THE PRAYERS+

BCP 21

Officiant The Lord be with you.*People* **And with your spirit.***Officiant* Let us pray.*The People kneel*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Officiant and People

**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,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

Officiant O Lord, show your mercy upon us;*People* **And grant us your salvation.***Officiant* O Lord, guide those who govern us;*People* **And lead us in the way of justice and truth.***Officiant* Clothe your ministers with righteousness;*People* **And let your people sing with joy.***Officiant* O Lord, save your people;*People* **And bless your inheritance.***Officiant* Give peace in our time, O Lord;*People* **And defend us by your mighty power.***Officiant* Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;*People* **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.***Officiant* Create in us clean hearts, O God;*People* **And take not your Holy Spirit from us.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY:

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Set us free, loving Father, from the bondage of our sins, and in your goodness and mercy give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR THE FEAST OF SAINT LUKE (October 18)

Almighty God, you called your servant Luke to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: Grant that, by the wholesome medicine of the doctrine he taught, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION+

BCP 677

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people [gathered around every altar of your Church], and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR MISSION: III+

BCP 24-25

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the Cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE+

BCP 659

Almighty God, you created us in your own image: Grant us grace to contend fearlessly against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and help us to use our freedom rightly in the establishment of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

ADDITIONAL INTERCESSIONS & THANKSGIVINGS

The Officiant may invite the People to offer intercessions and thanksgivings.

CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

Their Birthday: Jim Bo. (23), Traci Y. (23)

CLOSING HYMN: "Take My Life & Let It Be"

1. Take my life and let it be / Consecrated Lord to Thee / Take my moments and my days / Let them flow in ceaseless praise / Let them flow in ceaseless praise
2. Take my hands and let them move / At the impulse of Thy love / Take my feet and let them be / Swift and beautiful for Thee / Swift and beautiful for Thee
3. Take my voice and let me sing / Always only for my King / Take my lips and let them be / Filled with messages from Thee / Filled with messages from Thee
4. Take my silver and my gold / Not a mite would I withhold / Take my intellect and use / Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose / Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING^

*BCP 25**Officiant and People*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
 we your unworthy servants give you humble
 thanks
 for all your goodness and loving-kindness
 to us and to all whom you have made.
 We bless you for our creation, preservation,
 and all the blessings of this life;
 but above all for your immeasurable love
 in the redemption of the world by our Lord
 Jesus Christ;
 for the means of grace, and for the hope of
 glory.**

**And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your
 mercies,
 that with truly thankful hearts
 we may show forth your praise,
 not only with our lips, but in our lives,
 by giving up our selves to your service,
 and by walking before you
 in holiness and righteousness all our days;
 Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
 be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM^

BCP 26

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL^

BCP 26

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

CONCLUDING SENTENCE: II^

BCP 26

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

ROMANS 15:13^T