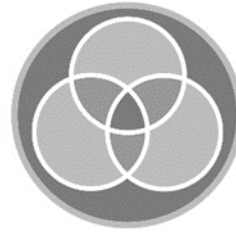


Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity  
13 September 2020  
Eucharist 11 a.m.



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*The Return of the Prodigal Son, Rembrandt 1642*

*'As a father cares for his children, so does the Lord care for those who fear him.'*  
*Psalm 103.13*

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**PRELUDE** *Mors et Resurrectio, from Trois Paraphrases Grégoriennes, Langlais*

## **GREETING**

In the name of the ✠ Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**  
The Lord be with you: **and also with you.**

## **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: 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.**

## **CONFESSION**

My brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*The Priest gives the ✠ Absolution:*

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **GLORIA**

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.

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **FIRST READING** Genesis 50.15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **CANTICLE** Psalm 103.1, 8-13 *Benedic, anima mea*

Bless the Lord, O my soul, \*

and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, \*

slow to anger and of great kindness.

He will not always accuse us, \*

nor will he keep his anger for ever.

He has not dealt with us according to our sins, \*

nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, \*

so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west, \*

so far has he removed our sins from us.

As a father cares for his children, \*

so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

## **SECOND READING** Romans 14.1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables.

Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,  
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL** Matthew 18.21-35

Alleluia. **Alleluia.**

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening. You have the words of eternal life.

**Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. ✠

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii;

and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart." This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

*Remain seated after the Sermon, for a period of silence.*

## **THE CREED**

**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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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.**

## **INTERCESSIONS**

We praise your abiding guidance, O God, for you sent us Jesus, our Teacher and Messiah, to model for us the way of love for the whole universe. We offer these prayers of love on behalf of ourselves and our neighbours, on behalf of your creation and our fellow creatures.

For all people in their daily life and work.

**For our families, friends, and neighbours, 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 Bishops Robert, David and Mark; and for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God and the Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*During the silence, please add aloud or silently any special concerns.*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*During the silence, please add aloud or silently any special thanksgivings.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*During the silence, please add aloud or silently names of other departed.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

Loving God, open our ears to hear your word and draw us closer to you, that the whole world may be one with you as you are one with us in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

God is love, and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

## **THE OFFERTORY**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation. **Blessed be God for ever.**

## **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade. This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord. And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

✠ **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. ✠

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. ✠

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.



Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the ever Blessed Virgin, St Hugh of Lincoln, and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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

*The priest breaks the consecrated bread.*

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*The clergy and people receive communion. All those who receive communion in their own denomination are welcome to receive communion. L'hospitalité eucharistique est offerte à toute personne, quelle que soit sa confession ecclésiale.*

*The music during communion includes an organ version of the Easter Sequence.*

*During the distribution of communion, those who are unable to receive communion may say the following prayer:*

***O Lord Jesus Christ, who in a most wonderful Sacrament has left to us a memorial of your passion, I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.***

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

## **NOTICES**

### **BLESSING**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. ✠ **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** *Incantation pour un Jour Saint, Langlais*

*After the service, all are welcome to refreshments. Social distancing remains necessary.*

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## NOTICES

**Every Sunday Sung Eucharist** at 11 am.

**Sunday, September 13, Trinity XIV, Sung Eucharist** at 11 am.

**Friday, September 18, Study Group** at 3 pm. This meets via Zoom. Please email Fr Peter to join.

**Sunday, September 20, Trinity XV, Sung Eucharist** at 11 am.

**Sunday, October 11, 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fr Peter's Ordination as a Priest.** Please keep this date in your diaries. There will be celebratory refreshments after the 11 am Eucharist. We hope that the congregation of St Hugh's will be able to join us.

**Episcopal Church Convention**, scheduled for October 22-25 has been postponed until next year and will meet in Nice from Thursday, October 21 until Saturday, October 23.

## ONGOING EVENTS

**Covid-19 has affected the schedules of all these the groups. Do check if they have resumed.**

The **English-American Library** is open Tuesday-Thursday 10 -11 am; 3 - 5 pm; Friday 3-5 pm; Saturday 10 -11 am

**Traditional Hatha -Yoga**, Monday, 2 – 3.15 pm.

**France Etats-Unis** meets Tuesday from 3.30 - 5 pm

**Oecumenia Choir** rehearses Wednesday from 8 pm in the church.

**France-Grande Bretagne** meets every Thursday afternoon from 13.30 -18.00, beginning on October 1.

**English/French Conversation Tea** meets Friday from 3 - 5 pm.

**AA** meets Monday 7-8 pm (French); Tuesday 5.30 – 6.30 pm; Wednesday 12-1 pm; Thursday 12-1 pm (Al Anon); Friday 7 - 8 pm; Saturday 4 -5 pm.

**NA** meets Tuesday 7.00 - 8.15 pm (French); Saturday 11.00 -12.30 pm.

**Outremangeurs** meets Monday 12.30-1.30 pm.

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