

Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

June 28, 2020



Territorial Acknowledgement

In this holy time and place,
we acknowledge with respect
that we gather on the traditional,
ancestral territories of the
Abenaki and Mohawk
first peoples.

May the living Christ lead us
always on pathways of
reconciliation and peace.



Hymn - Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found:
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been here ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Confession and Absolution

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 neighbours 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 might delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name.
Amen.



"Getsemani" Jorge Cocco Santángelo (2016)

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

Amen.

Lord, open our lips,

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

Amen.

Alleluia!

The Lord is our light and our life:

O come, let us worship.



Jorge Coiro Sant'Angelo
2017

The Venite

Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God,
and a great king above all gods.
In his hands are the caverns of the earth,
and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his for he made it,
and his hands have moulded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,
and kneel before the Lord our maker.

For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep
of his hand.

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!



Psalm 13

How long, O Lord? Will you utterly forget me?
How long will you hide your face from me?
How long must I suffer anguish in my soul,
and be so grieved in my heart day and night?
How long shall my enemy triumph over me?

Refrain

Jean Sibelius 1899, arr. The Hymnal 1933

1-2 last time

Be still, my soul, for God is on your side. God is on your side.

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Refrain

Look at me, and answer me, O God my God,
give light to my eyes, lest I fall asleep in death,
lest my enemies claim to have prevailed against me,
lest my foes rejoice at my downfall.

But my trust is in your mercy.

Let my heart be joyful in your salvation.

I will sing to you, O God,
because you have dealt so lovingly with me.
I will praise your name, O God most high.

Refrain

A reading from the book of Genesis,

After these things 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." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a

burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together. 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."

Song of Peace

In the days to come
the mountain of the house of the Lord
shall tower as the highest mountains
and be raised above the hills.

There shall all the nations flow;
many peoples shall come and say,
“Let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
that we may walk in his paths”

For the law shall go out from Zion,
from Jerusalem the word of the Lord.
He shall judge between the nations
and decide for many peoples.

They shall beat their swords into ploughshares
their spears into pruning-knives;
nation shall not lift sword against nation;
they shall never train for war again.

O people of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the Lord.



A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans,

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in

human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hymn - My Song is Love Unknown

1. My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me;
love to the loveless shown,
that they might lovely be.

O who am I,
that for my sake
my Lord should take
frail flesh, and die?

2. He came from his blest throne
salvation to bestow;
but all made strange, and none
the longed-for Christ would know:
but O my friend,
my friend indeed,
who at my need
his life did spend!

3. Sometimes they strew his way,
And his sweet praises sing,
resounding all the day
hosannas to their King;
then "Crucify!"
is all their breath,
and for his death
They thirst and cry.

4. Why, what has my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
he gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
Yet they at these
themselves displease,
and 'gainst him rise.

5. They rise and needs will have
my dear Lord made away;
a murderer they save,
the Prince of life they slay.
Yet cheerful he
to suffering goes,
that he his foes
from thence might free.

6. Here might I stay and sing,
no story so divine;
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine!
This is my friend,
in whose sweet praise
I all my days
could gladly spend.

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

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."



The Sermon

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An Affirmation of Faith

Hear, O Israel,
the Lord our God, the Lord is one.

Love the Lord your God
with all your heart,
with all your soul,
with all your mind,
and with all your strength.

This is the first and the great commandment.

The second is like it:

Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.



"Sermon on the Mount" Jorge Cocco Santángelo (2016)

The Prayers of the People

By

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Jorge Cocco Santángelo

The Collects

Almighty God,

you have taught us through your Son

that love fulfils the law.

May we love you with all our heart,

all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength,

and may we love our neighbour as ourselves;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.



"Angel Triptych - Noah" Jorge Cocco Santángelo

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 them 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.



"Our Father" - Jen Norton

Hymn - Come and Journey with a Saviour

1. Come and journey with a Saviour
who has called us from our birth,
who has washed us in the waters,
and who loved us on the earth.

Refrain

2. Come and journey, journey inward,
come and seek him deep within,
where he meets us in our living,
in our striving and our sin.

Refrain

3. Come and journey, journey outward,
telling others of his name,
telling others of his glory,
of his cross and of the shame.

Refrain

Refrain
Come and journey, come and journey
with a Saviour who has come.
We are all God's sons and daughters;
in the Spirit we are one.

4. Come and journey, journey outward,
where the cross calls us to care,
where injustice and where hunger
and the poor call us to share.

Refrain

5. Come and journey, journey upward.
Sing his praises, offer prayer.
In the storm and in the stillness
find his presence everywhere.

Refrain

6. Come and journey, journey onward
all our gifts we now shall bring
to the building of a city
that is holy, Christ its King.

The Blessing and Dismissal

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, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
Be with you,
And remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!



"Solidarity" - Vanessa v G