

**SERVICE WITHOUT COMMUNION: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – July 5, 2020**  
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In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**SONG: AT 137 I heard the voice of Jesus**

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
 ‘Come unto Me and rest;  
 Lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
 Thy head upon My breast’:  
 I came to Jesus as I was,  
 Weary and worn and sad;  
 I found in Him a resting place,  
 And He has made me glad.

2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
 Behold, I freely give  
 The living water; thirsty one,  
 Stoop down, and drink, and live’:  
 I came to Jesus, and I drank  
 Of that life-giving stream;  
 My thirst was quenched, my soul  
 revived,  
 And now I live in Him.

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
 ‘I am this dark world’s light;  
 Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,  
 And all thy day be bright’:  
 I looked to Jesus, and I found  
 In Him my star, my sun;  
 And in that light of life I’ll walk  
 Till travelling days are done.

Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

**CONFESSION AND DECLARATION OF GRACE**

Friends in Christ: Let us confess our sins to God our Father and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**Lord God, our heavenly Father, I am a sinner and I have sinned against you, not only in my words and actions, but also in my secret thoughts and desires**

**which I cannot fully know or understand, but which you know completely. I am sorry that I have displeased you, and repent of the evil I have done. For the sake of your dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, have mercy on me, forgive my sins, and graciously help me in my weakness. Amen.**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given his only Son to die for us, and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in his name he has given the right to become children of God, and has given them his Holy Spirit. Whoever believes and is baptised will be saved. Grant this, Lord, to us all.  
**Amen.**

#### **PSALM 145:8-14**

The LORD is gracious and merciful,

**slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

The LORD is good to all,

**and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,

**and all your faithful shall bless you.**

They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,

**and tell of your power,**

to make known to all people your mighty deeds,

**and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.**

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,

**and your dominion endures throughout all generations.**

The LORD is faithful in all his words,

**and gracious in all his deeds.**

The LORD upholds all who are falling,

**and raises up all who are bowed down.**

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

**As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever more,**

**Amen.**

**KYRIE:**

Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy**  
 Christ have mercy, **Christ have mercy**  
 Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy**

**GLORIA: AT 633 Glory be to God**

**Glory be to God in heaven,  
 peace to those who love him well;  
 on the earth let all his people  
 speak his grace, his wonders tell:  
 Lord, we praise you for your glory,  
 mighty Father, heaven's king;  
 hear our joyful adoration  
 and accept the thanks we bring.**

**Only Son of God the Father,  
 Lamb who takes our sin away,  
 now with God in triumph seated -  
 for your mercy, Lord, we pray:  
 Jesus Christ, most high and holy,  
 Savior, you are God alone  
 in the glory of the Father  
 with the Spirit: Three-in-One!**

Michael Perry, 1942-

**GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY (COLLECT)**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Let us pray for gentleness. (silence)*

Thank you, Jesus, our gentle king,  
 that you became a servant to all,

and gave up your life for us.  
 As your followers,  
 make us humble, so that, like you,  
 we serve others.  
 For you live and reign  
 with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

***FIRST READING -***

*Hear the Word of the Lord as it is written in the prophet Zechariah, chapter 9, beginning at verse 9.*

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!  
 Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!  
 Lo, your king comes to you;  
 triumphant and victorious is he,  
 humble and riding on a donkey,  
 on a colt, the foal of a donkey.  
 He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim  
 and the warhorse from Jerusalem;  
 and the battle-bow shall be cut off,  
 and he shall command peace to the nations;  
 his dominion shall be from sea to sea,  
 and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,  
 I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.  
 Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;  
 today I declare that I will restore to you double.

*After the reading:*

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

**SECOND READING –**

*Hear the Word of the Lord as it is written in St Paul's letter to the Romans, chapter 7, beginning at verse 15.*

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

*After the reading:*

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

**GOSPEL -**

*The Holy Gospel is written in the Gospel according to St Matthew, Chapter 11, beginning at verse 16.*

‘But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,

“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;  
we wailed, and you did not mourn.”

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, “He has a demon”; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, “Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!” Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.’

At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

## CHILDREN'S ADDRESS

### SONG: AT 635 How deep the Father's love

1. How deep the Father's love for us,  
How vast beyond all measure,  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss –  
The Father turns His face away,  
As wounds which mar the Chosen  
One  
Bring many sons to glory.

2. Behold the man upon a cross,  
My sin upon His shoulders;  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished;  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer;

But this I know with all my heart –  
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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## **SERMON**

### **CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty,  
from thence he will come 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**

### **SONG – TIS 195 Salvation unto us has come (v 1,2,4,5)**

1 Salvation now to us has come  
by God's free grace and favour;  
good works cannot avert our doom,  
they help and save us never.  
In faith we look to Christ alone,

who did for all the world atone;  
he is our one redeemer.

2 The law of God fulfilled must be,  
or we were lost for ever;  
therefore God sent his Son that he  
might us from death deliver.  
For us the law he has fulfilled,  
the Father's anger he has stilled;  
God's curse is gone for ever.

4 To you, O Lord, in faith we cling,  
we love and trust you truly,  
and from this faith good works will spring  
that serve our neighbour duly.  
It's faith alone that justified;  
the works that from such faith arise  
reveal that it is living.

5 All blessing, honour, thanks and praise  
to Father, Son, and Spirit,  
to God who saved us by his grace;  
all glory to his merit!  
O Triune God, in heaven above,  
you have revealed your saving love;  
your blessed name we hallow.

Paul Speratus, 1484 – 1551, Tr. Carl Doving, 1904

## **OFFERTORY – AT 269**

**Create in us a clean heart, O God.  
Renew within us a right spirit.  
Cast us not away from your presence, O Lord.  
and take not your Holy Spirit from us.**



**Restore to us fullness of joy,  
the joy that springs from your salvation.  
Lighten our minds, shelter our lives  
with your Spirit free.**

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## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer*

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favour,† and give you peace.

**Amen.**

## **SONG – AT 292 Because we bear your name**

1. Lord Jesus, we belong to you, you live in us, we live in you;  
we live and work for you – because we bear your name.
2. Help us receive each other, Lord, for you receive the least of us,  
And come to us in them - because we bear your name.
3. Bless those who give us any gift, because they know that we are yours;  
Reward them with your grace - because we bear your name.
4. Let us acknowledge those as friends who use your name to right a wrong,  
But have not joined us yet - because we bear your name.
5. Let nothing that we do or say offend the weak so that they fall,  
And lost their faith in you - because we bear your name.
6. Keep us from missing out on life; give hands that help and single sight,  
And feet that walk your way - because we bear your name.
7. You are the salt that cleanses us, so clean us out, and make us fit,  
for common life with you - because we bear your name.

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