

Morning Prayer

4th Sunday after Pentecost

June 20, 2021

Preparatory Prayer

Officiant invites the people to a moment of silent prayer to prepare for the day's service.

“Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.”

Philippians 1:2

Opening Song

“This Is My Father's World”

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Verse 1

This is my Father's world
And to my list'ning ears
All nature sings and 'round me rings
Music of the spheres
This is my Father's world
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees of skies and seas
His hand the wonders wrought

Verse 2

This is my Father's world
The birds their carols raise
The morning light the lily white
Declare their Maker's praise
This is my Father's world
He shines in all that's fair
In the rust'ling grass I hear Him pass
He speaks to me ev'rywhere

Verse 3

This is my Father's world

O let me ne'er forget
And though the wrong seems oft so strong
God is the Ruler yet
This is my Father's world
The battle is not done
Jesus who died shall be satisfied
And earth and heaven be one

Confession of Sin

Officiant and People together

Most gracious God, we humbly admit and acknowledge 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 loved You partially and not wholeheartedly; we have not loved our neighbors 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 may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your name. Amen.

The Officiant says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen.*

Responsorial Psalm

Officiant Let us stand and read the Psalm responsively.

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

¹ Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for *He is good!*

For His mercy *endures* forever.

² Let the redeemed of the LORD say *so,*

Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,

³ And gathered out of the lands,

From the east and from the west,

From the north and from the south.

²³ Those who go down to the sea in ships,

Who do business on great waters,

²⁴ They see the works of the LORD,

And His wonders in the deep.

²⁵ For He commands and raises the stormy wind,

Which lifts up the waves of the sea.

²⁶They mount up to the heavens,
They go down again to the depths;
Their soul melts because of trouble.
²⁷They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man,
And are at their wits' end.
²⁸Then they cry out to the LORD in their trouble,
And He brings them out of their distresses.
²⁹He calms the storm,
So that its waves are still.
³⁰Then they are glad because they are quiet;
So He guides them to their desired haven.
³¹Oh, that *men* would give thanks to the LORD *for* His goodness,
And *for* His wonderful works to the children of men!
³²Let them exalt Him also in the assembly of the people,
And praise Him in the company of the elders.

All say

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 Lesson

Officiant Please be seated for the lesson.

Ephesians 5:22-29

²² Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. ²⁴ Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything.

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, ²⁶ that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, ²⁷ that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. ²⁸ So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The Sermon (<https://youtu.be/6b7cQ3SyXNc>)

The Creed

All stand to declare

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 from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father Almighty.

From there 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

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

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

Suffrages

Feel free to include specific prayers before saying the versicle (V) or take this time to pray spontaneously for the church, the world, and everything that comes to mind.

Father, You are not slow in keeping Your promises, You do not desire anyone to perish, but that all should reach repentance. (2 Peter 3:9) We declare that You are our portion, therefore we will hope in You! (Lam. 3:24)

V. Save Your people, Lord, and bless Your inheritance;

R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.

Father, we live to honor and glorify Your Name. Any achievement and accomplishment we have made this week, both simple and great, we credit them all to You. We are grateful for enabling us through the power of the Holy Spirit.

V. Day by day we bless You;

R. We praise Your name for ever.

Father, protect us from our own selfish desires, spare us from our stubbornness and give us victory over our pride. We daily seek the empowerment of Your Holy Spirit.

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.

Father, may our faith produce good fruit. May our relationship with You beget genuine Christlike humility, continual perseverance and real love for all people just as how You have demonstrated that agape love on the cross of Calvary.

V. Lord, show us Your love and mercy;

R. For we put our trust in You.

Father, we do not need to test You, for You have already proven Yourself numerous times, that You are trustworthy. What great comfort it is to know that there is no one like You, our Most Sovereign and Almighty God. Therefore...

V. In You, Lord, is our hope;

R. And we shall never hope in vain.

V. Let us now pray for our own needs and those of others.

Moment of Silence

Officiant closes with the following collect

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of Your people, and strengthen us to do Your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for Missions

All together

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of Your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our prayers for all members of Your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly serve You; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Closing Prayer

General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all blessings, we sincerely thank You for all Your goodness and lovingkindness to us and to all men. We praise You for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but, above all, for the 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 ourselves to Your service, and by walking 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.*

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Closing

Announcements

- 1) We would like to remind everyone that we are updating and upgrading our members database until the end of August this year. We have used these information not only to send important announcements but also to contact members in case of emergencies. Additionally, the information update is required and will be treated as registration for the Vestry Election this year in the event that we will push through with an alternative mode of election. So, we advise every baptized or confirmed members, not only those who are eligible to vote, to go to our website and click on the banner to update your information. Even

if you feel that your information is updated, we would request that everyone updates again to be sure that we get the most recent data. Most of our leaders have already done this update early this year. For our leaders who have finished doing so, there is no need for you to update anymore. Be assured that the information you will provide is treated with the highest confidentiality in consideration of the Data Privacy Act of 2012. Only our church secretary acting as our Personal Information Controller has access to the database and information is only given to authorized persons, like our pastors, only for ministry purposes. If you do not have access, kindly call up our church office for assistance.

Closing Song

“Count Your Blessings”

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Verse 1

When upon life's billows
You are tempest tossed
When you are discouraged
Thinking all is lost
Count your many blessings
Name them one by one
And it will surprise you
What the Lord hath done

Chorus

Count your blessings
Name them one by one
Count your blessings
See what God hath done
Count your blessings
Name them one by one
Count your many blessings
See what God hath done

Verse 2

Are you ever burdened
With a load of care?
Does the cross seem heavy
You are called to bear?
Count your many blessings
Every doubt will fly
And you will be singing
As the days go by

Verse 3

When you look at others
With their lands and gold
Think that Christ has promised
You His wealth untold
Count your many blessings
Money cannot buy
Your reward in heaven
Nor your home on high

Verse 4

So amid the conflict
Whether great or small
Do not be discouraged
God is over all
Count your many blessings
Angels will attend
Help and comfort give you
To your journey's end

Silent Prayer