

Daily Morning Prayer - 18th Sunday after Pentecost (September 22, 2024)

Prelude

Preparatory Prayer

The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. *John 4:23*

Opening Song

#93 - "Fairest Lord Jesus!" vv. 1-3

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
O Thou of God and man the Son;
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling, starry host:
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer,
Than all the angels heaven can boast. Amen.

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says

Let us kneel and confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People together

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 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 you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Invitatory

“美妙主耶穌”

- 1 美妙主耶穌，萬物祢在看顧，
祢是上帝成做世人；
主我所仰望，主我所尊崇，
我歡喜主做我君王。
- 2 青翠的草埔，花草上的甘露，
春天美麗樹木香花；
主更加聖潔，主更加清香，
憂傷的靈會得釋放。
- 3 日頭照全地，暗暝月亮美麗，
天上星辰閃耀不停；
主更加榮耀，主更加光明，
天地無物會可比併。阿們。

Officiant Let us stand for the invitatory and Psalm.

Officiant O Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim Your praise.

Jubilate (Psalm 100)

Sing to the Lord, all the world! Worship the Lord with joy!

Come before Him with happy songs! Enter the temple with thanksgiving.

Go into its courts with praise! Give thanks to Him and praise Him!"

The Lord is good; His love is eternal and His faithfulness lasts for ever!

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.

Responsorial Psalm

Officiant Let us open our Bibles to Psalm 67:1-7. We will read it responsively.

¹ God be merciful to us and bless us,

And cause His face to shine upon us,

² That Your way may be known on earth,

Your salvation among all nations.

³ Let the peoples praise You, O God;

Let all the peoples praise You.

⁴ Oh, let the nations be glad and sing for joy!

For You shall judge the people righteously,

And govern the nations on earth.

⁵ Let the peoples praise You, O God;

Let all the peoples praise You.

⁶ *Then* the earth shall yield her increase;

God, our own God, shall bless us.

⁷ God shall bless us,

And all the ends of the earth shall fear Him.

All sing the GLORIA PATRI

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 sit for the lessons.

Reader The Old Testament lesson is taken from Amos 9:8-12.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Reader The New Testament lesson is taken from Acts 16:6-15.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Anthem - "To Rescue a Sinner Like Me"

Verse 1

I don't understand how a God so divine
Could lower Himself to a life such as mine
And consider me worth ev'ry minute of time
To rescue a sinner like me.

Verse 2

When I think of my Savior alone on the cross
I know without Him that my life would be lost
If He had not been willing to suffer the cost
To rescue a sinner like me.

Chorus

To rescue a sinner like me,
Lord, to rescue a sinner like me.
He abandoned His throne and His kingdom
above
To rescue a sinner like me.

Verse 3

My mind is so limited I cannot see
The reason He died and arose just for me.
So unworthy was I yet He came willing
To rescue a sinner like me.

Chorus

To rescue a sinner like me,
Lord, to rescue a sinner like me.
He abandoned His throne and His kingdom
above
To rescue a sinner like me.

Bridge

To rescue a sinner as worthless as I
And give me a reason to sing
It's so hard to believe but it happened to me
Hallelujah to Jesus my King, my King!

Chorus

To rescue a sinner like me,
Lord, to rescue a sinner like me.
He abandoned His throne and His kingdom
above
To rescue a sinner like me.
He abandoned His throne and His kingdom
above
To rescue a sinner like me.
A sinner like me.
A sinner like me.

The Sermon by Dcn. Jeremiah Kwok

The Creed

Officiant Please stand for the Apostle's 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.

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.

V. Save Your people, Lord, and bless Your inheritance;
R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.

V. Day by day we bless You;
R. We praise Your name for ever.

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.

V. Lord, show us Your love and mercy;
R. For we put our trust in You.

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

Lord, hear the prayers of Thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Collect of the Day

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer of Humble Access

Most merciful Lord, we do not trust in our own merits to come to Your table, but in Your boundless grace. You have invited us to come to the table of the Kingdom of Heaven. Help us to partake of the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that we may ever-more live in Him, and He in us. Amen.

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

Our Lord Jesus Christ says: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you."

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people exchange the peace of the Lord.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory

One of the following, or some other appropriate sentence of Scripture, may be used

Celebrant

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Offertory Hymn

“萬世戰爭”

314 - "The Conflict Of The Ages"

Verse 1

Lo, the conflict of ages is upon us today,
And the armies are assembling all in battle array;
Are you numbered with the faithful, one of God's loyal few,
Who have sworn Him full allegiance? Can He count upon you?

Chorus

Have your eyes caught the vision?
Have your hearts felt the thrill?
To the call of the Master
do you answer, "I will"?
For the conflict of the ages,
told by prophets and by sages,
In its fury is upon us,
is upon us today.

Verse 2

See the Church of God awaking and with glorious zest
She is laying on her altars now her noblest and best;
Toward the final consummation we are hastening on,
And the time for loyal service will forever be done.

1 信徒看哪，
萬世戰爭已臨我們時代，
無數軍兵，攜械披甲，
集合嚴陣以待；
你是否為忠勇戰士，
站在信徒隊中？
是否立誓向祂盡忠？
是否剛強奮勇？

副歌：是否你見此異象？
是否你心激動？
是否你聽主呼召？
是否你願順從？
萬世戰爭已經來臨，
聖經頂言已經明載，
戰爭狂濤臨到我們，
臨到我們時代。

2 神的教會正在醒起，
熱心傳揚真理，
看她已在祭壇獻上佳美珍活祭，
寶貴光蔭旋即過去，
世界終局將臨，
事主機會快將消逝，
現在趁時救人，

After the offerings are collected, the people sing the Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a proper preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of Your Name:

Celebrant and People sing the Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.
Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High! Amen.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to You, O God, for the goodness and love which You have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be Your people; in Your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, Your Son. For in these last days You sent Him to be incarnate from the virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Him, You have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before You. In Him, You have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when He had given thanks to You, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper He took the cup of wine; and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to His command, O Father, we declare to all the world the mystery of the faith:

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to You, O Lord of all; presenting to You, from Your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray You, gracious God, to send Your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and His Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to Your Son in His sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through Him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under Your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all Your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of Your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Him, and with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is Yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
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.

The Breaking of the Bread

V. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

R. Let us rejoice and exult and give the glory to the Lord.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(Communion Music)

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [*Amen.*]

Prayer for Missions

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us kneel and pray.

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

Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, You have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to You; and You have promised through Your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name You will be in the midst of them: 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.

The Blessing

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, may bless the people with either of the following

To him who by means of his power working in us is able to do so much more than we can ever ask for or even think of: to God be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus for all time, for ever and ever. Amen. (Eph. 3:20-21)

The threefold amen is sung.

Announcements

The Officiant may say a few words to greet the people at this point

Closing Hymn

62 – “Lead On, O King Eternal”

Lead on, O King eternal,
the day of march has come;
henceforth in fields of conquest
Thy tents shall be our home.
Through days of preparation
Thy grace has made us strong,
and now, O King eternal,
we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal,
to lands of deepest night;
we follow where Thou leadest
as heralds of the light.
May we to souls immortal,
Thy Word of life convey,
and open heaven's portal
through Christ, the truth, the way.

“永生君王來引導”

- 1 永生君王來引導，
交戰日子臨到，
征服惡魔的戰場，
祢帳棚作阮兜；
通日準備攏妥當，
靠主心得勇壯，
向永遠活大君王，
唱得勝歌敬奉。
- 2 永生君王來引導，
這個罪惡世界，
同聲報揚祢聖潔，
甜蜜平安仁愛；
無靠刀劍來拚命，
無靠鑼鼓大聲，
靠慈悲仁愛所行，
在地宛在天城。

Lead on, O King eternal;
we follow, not with fears,
for gladness breaks like morning
where'er Thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted o'er us,
we journey in its light;
the crown awaits the conquest;
lead on, O God of might. Amen.

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

3 永生君王來引導，
阮要一生隨祢，
祢的笑容若出現，
親像光明早晨；
祢的十架當舉高，
祢的聖手導我，
至終得勝得冕旒，
至大上帝引導。
阿們。