



Worship Program

June 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>,2024

Lectionary 12

## Introduction

Now is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation! Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and are called to believe in the power of God's word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.

## <u>Confession & Forgiveness</u> \*Please stand if you are able.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **C: Amen.** 

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. (Silence is kept for reflection)

P: God, our provider,

C: Help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy. You are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **C: Amen.** 

## Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

# Gathering Hymn "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" Hymn 756



# Prayer of the Day

P: O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.** 

<sup>\*</sup>Please be seated.

## First Reading: Job 38:1-11

(At the end of the book of Job, after Job and his companions have argued about the cause of the great suffering Job endures, God finally speaks. These verses begin that speech, which is a grand vision of creation, describing God's ordering of the cosmos and inviting Job to marvel at its beauty).

WA: The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind. "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together, and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?— when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?"

The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

<u>Psalmody</u>: Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

WA: Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God's mercy endures forever.

C: Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

WA: Gathering them in from the lands. From the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

C: Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade in deep waters.

WA: They beheld the works of the LORD, God's wonderful works in the deep.

C: Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.

WA: They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths. Their souls melted away in their peril. They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail. Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD, and you delivered them from their distress.

C: You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.

WA: Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.

C: Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.

WA: Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people. In the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

## Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

(Paul and his fellow workers experience great hardships and even rejection while carrying out their missionary work. Nevertheless, Paul continuously proclaims that God has not rejected us but is graciously working for our salvation).

WA: As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time.

See, now is the day of salvation!

We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way.

Through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger.

By purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God.

With the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left.

In honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true.

As unknown, and yet are well known.

As dying and see, we are alive.

As punished, and yet not killed.

As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing.

As poor yet making many rich.

As having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians. Our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return, I speak as to children. Open wide your hearts also.

The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

"Alleluia" (Setting 3, ELW pg.142)

\*Please stand if you are able.

Alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

Alleluia.

Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

(Jesus' calming of the storm on the sea reveals his power over evil, since the sea represents evil and chaos. The boat on the sea is a symbol of the church and invites us to trust God amid life's turbulence).

P: The holy gospel according to Mark.

## C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: When evening had come, Jesus said to the disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was.

Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?"

He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?"

And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

The gospel of the Lord.

#### C:Praise to you, O Christ.

\*Please be seated.

<u>Sermon</u> - Rt. Rev. Dr. Vince McLaughlin

# Hymn of the Day "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Hymn 773

\*Please stand if you are able.



## Nicene Creed

C: 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 of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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 worshiped 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.

## **Prayers of Intercession**

P: We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

(Silence is kept for reflection)

Equip your faithful people to approach this world with a sense of wonder. Make your church a safe place to explore big questions, troubling doubts, and honest laments. Humble our hearts to repent of the ways that communities of faith have inflicted pain or trauma.

Merciful God, C: Receive our prayer.

P: You spoke creation into order from the chaos of the swirling deep. May your name be praised by rivers and seas, wetlands and waterfalls. Secure clean water for all people and protect water sources from contamination or exploitation. Merciful God, **C: Receive our prayer.** 

P: Amid whirlwinds of division, violence, and conflict, remind us again that you are as steadfast as the foundations of the earth. Rejuvenate peacemakers, advocates, and community organizers when they feel weary in their work. Merciful God, **C: Receive our prayer.** 

P: Deliver your people from their distress, O God. We lift before you all who are sick or struggling (especially).

Grant consolation and peace to all who live with chronic, terminal, or persistent illness. In times of affliction or hardship, sustain us in faith.

Merciful God, C: Receive our prayer.

P: Enfold all travelers with your protection. Bless the comings and goings of this assembly as we travel for leisure or for work. Let all journeys be met with hospitality on the way and let community members return to us with celebration.

Merciful God, C: Receive our prayer.

P: Now is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation for all the redeemed of the Lord. Joined together with the great cloud of witnesses, we give thanks for your steadfast love and your wonderful works. Merciful God, **C: Receive our prayer.** 

P: Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ. **C: Amen.** 

## Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

### C: And also with you.

\*After sharing of the peace, please be seated.

## Offertory Song

"We Are an Offering" Hymn 692

# Offering Prayer \*Please stand if you are able.

P: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **C: Amen.** 

## The Dialogue

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

## C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

"Holy, Holy" (Setting Three, ELW pg.144)

## Thanksgiving at the Table

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

C: Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C: 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, forever and ever. Amen.

## <u>Invitation to Communion</u>

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

\*Please be seated.

"Lamb of God" (Setting Three, ELW pg.146)

## **Special Music**

"Trust in You" Performed by Lauren Daigle

## Prayer after Communion

\*Please stand if you are able.

P: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

#### C: Amen.

# **Blessing**

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever. **C: Amen.** 

## Sending Hymn "My Life Flows On in Endless Song" Hymn 763



- 1 My life flows on in end less song; a bove earth's lam-en ta tion,
- 2 Through all the tu-mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring-ing.
- 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv eth.
- 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev-er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion. It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing? What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth. All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

## **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

#### C: Thanks be to God.

#### Readers/Communion Assistants

June 22 Kevin Oleksa

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June 29 Cindy Solarczyk

June 30 Ray Leverknight

July 6 \*\*Help Wanted\*\*

July 7 \*\*Help Wanted\*\*

#### <u>Ushers</u>

June 22 Pat Bittner & Linda Barnhart

June 23 \*\* Help Wanted\*\*

June 29 Joan Bunnell & Janis Daily

June 30 \*\*Help Wanted\*\*

July 6 \*\*Help Wanted\*\*

July 7 \*\*Help Wanted\*\*

Altar Guild June - Cindy & Sara Solarczyk

### Worship Leader Schedule

June 22/23 Rt. Rev. Dr. McLaughlin- Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Missionary Church & Bishop of the East

June 29/30 Gary Mickle

### The Right Reverend Dr. Vince McLaughlin, Th.D., D.Litt., Ph.D.

Reverend McLaughlin's undergraduate studies in biblical studies and languages were done at Biola University with post-graduate studies – master of divinity (M.Div.) from Talbot Theological Seminary. His master's studies in biblical languages were done at Bethel University, and his master's and doctoral degree studies in Old Testament & Renewal Theology were done at Regent University, School of Divinity. Reverend McLaughlin's Th.D. studies were done at St. Luke's Anglican-Orthodox Seminary. He also holds D.Litt. & Ph.D. from Wolsey Hall College/Oxford, UK – St. Alcuin House Seminary in Hebrew Literature & Biblical Hebrew.

Reverend McLaughlin holds Holy Orders as a Priest from the Anglican Church Worldwide and the Episcopal Missionary Church. He was conferred and ordained as a Messianic Jewish Rabbi of Beth Messiah (MBI) in February 2004. He was also consecrated as a Bishop in the Anglican Church and served as the Presiding Bishop & Bishop Ordinary – Diocese of the East for the Episcopal Missionary Church.

Reverend McLaughlin recently served as the Provost & Academic Dean and Chairperson of the Biblical Studies and Languages at the University of Valley Forge – Virginia Campus. His current episcopate residence is at Christ Anglican Church in Warrenton, VA. He is also on the Board of Directors at the Reformed Episcopal Seminary, PA.

Reverend McLaughlin is the author of numerous papers, with the most recent publication of a book entitled Ruach in the Psalms and a book entitled Threads of Theosis in the Tanakh.



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