

St. Edmund's Episcopal Church

The Third Sunday after Pentecost:

Morning Prayer

June 21, 2020

Ten o'clock in the morning



Participants in Today's Service

The Rev. Jenifer M. Chatfield, *Officiant*

The Rev. Canon Judith Heffron, *Assisting Priest*

The Rev. Mark Dawson, *Deacon*

The Rev. Heather Blackstone UCC, *Director of Youth Ministry*

Robert Hovencamp, *Organist/Choir Master*

Members of The Choir of St. Edmund's

Rebecca Tomlinson

Kelly Krantz

Joseph Garate

Richard Seymour

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St. Edmund's Events & Updates

BISHOP TAYLOR TO OFFER DIOCESAN-WIDE ONLINE SERVICE Sunday, June 28



Bishop John Harvey Taylor has announced that he will offer a diocesan-wide service online at 10 a.m. on Sunday, June 28.

There will be no St. Edmund's Service on this date
so that congregations can worship together with the Bishop.

Specific information will be posted soon. The Bishop remarked: "Besides giving me a chance to greet the whole diocese and reflect on these momentous months in our church and nation, the idea is to offer those in charge of congregations and worship a breather just for one weekend."

A Safe Return

The earliest we can return to worship according to the Diocese is June 21st. While some parishes may open on this date, St. Edmunds will not because there is much to do, and it is our belief that rushing an opening will not be the best decision for the community. We will make a determination of when to open based on the following factors:

1. The County of LA according to recent reports is seeing a rise in new Covid-19 cases. The next 3-4 weeks will be crucial in determining how the re-opening of businesses, places of worship, and parks will affect a further rise. We choose to wait and see.
2. Protocols and procedures for St. Edmund's need to be implemented and organized to address the Diocesan guidelines. This affects how we clean and sanitize (not to mention we must wait for supply deliveries), how we order our worship services, and how we welcome and seat parishioners and guests, among other adjustments.

While we are all anxious to return, we want to make sure that we are opening up in a responsible way. We are currently writing the protocols and procedures for a Safe Return to St. Edmunds. When they are complete we will make them available to you as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience and your continued commitment!

Prelude Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face *Arr. Lucy Warriner*

Welcome The Rev. Jenifer M. Chatfield, *Rector*

Good morning and welcome to this offering of Morning Prayer—It's a delight to have you tuning in today. Once again, we will keep you informed about our returning to in-person services once we get our protocols in place—we will be issuing several communications when the time comes so that you will be well-informed about what to expect.

This is important...Next Sunday the 28th, St Edmunds will not be offering a service as the Bishop of Los Angeles, Bishop John Taylor will be offering a service for the whole diocese so that 1) he has a chance to speak to all the parishes in the diocese as well as give clergy and lay volunteers who have to put together these online services a respite for one weekend. A link to this service will be forthcoming.

Please take a moment to download the bulletin so that you can follow along, and remember that while it is not business as usual, we still are engaging in usual business—please consider mailing in your pledges and donations to the address provided on the bulletin, or online through our website. We are grateful and thank you for this consideration.

Now after a moment of silence.....we will begin.

Officiant Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
(*Philippians 1:2*)

Confession of Sin

Officiant Let us 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 Priest 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.

The Invitatory (*Invitation*)

Officiant Lord, open our lips.
People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant and People

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 First Lesson

Genesis 21:8-21

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, “Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.” The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, “Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.” So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, “Do not let me look on the death of the child.” And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, “What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.”

Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink. God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

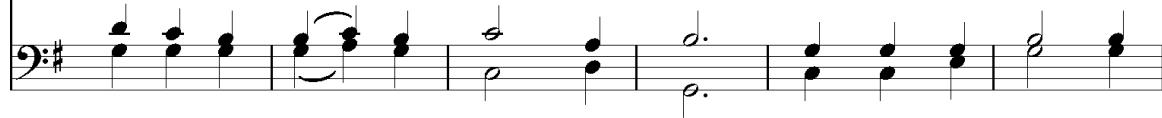
Answer Thanks be to God.

All join in singing the following hymn

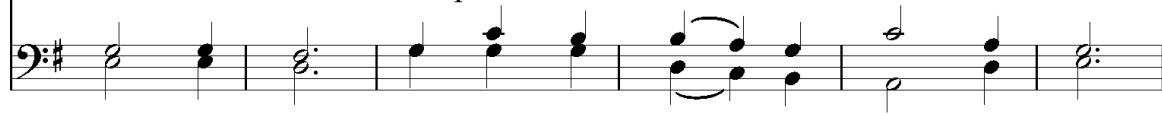
Hymn 558 Faith of our Fathers *St. Catherine*



1 Faith of our fathers! living still in spite of dun-geon,
2 Faith of our fathers! faith and prayer shall win all na-tions
3 Faith of our fathers! we will love both friend and foe in



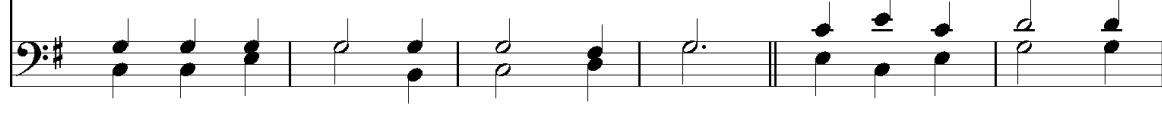
fire and sword: O how our hearts beat high with joy,
un - to thee; and through the truth that comes from God,
all our strife: and preach thee, too, as love knows how,



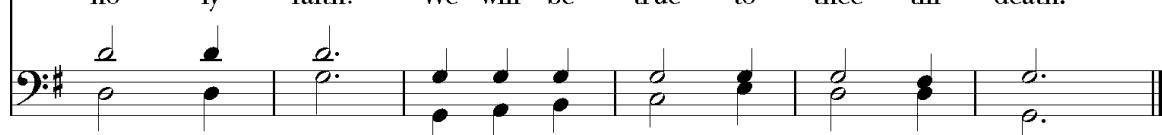
Refrain



when-e'er we hear that glo-rious word:
man-kind shall then in - deed be free. Faith of our fa - thers,
by kind - ly deeds and vir - tuous life.



ho - ly faith! We will be true to thee till death.



The Second Lesson

Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

Answer **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Lesson

Matthew 10:24-39

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, “A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! “So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. “Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,
and a daughter against her mother,
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;
and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and

follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

Lector **The Word of the Lord.** **Answer** **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

The Reverend Jenifer M. Chatfield, *Rector*

The following anthem is sung by a member of the St. Edmund's Choir.

Anthem

How Great Thou Art

arr. Lloyd Larsen

Boberg/Hine

Kelly Krantz, *Alto*

*O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made
 I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
 Thy power throughout the universe displayed*

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee
 How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee
 How great Thou art, how great Thou art*

*And when I think of God, His Son not sparing
 Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing
 He bled and died to take away my sin*

*When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
 And lead me home, what joy shall fill my heart
 Then I shall bow with humble adoration
 And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.*

The Apostles' Creed *(An Ancient Baptismal Creed reminding us of our common baptism as the basis of our common prayer.)*

Officiant and People together

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

Officiant and People

**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.**

A Prayer for Leaving

Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to reconcile the world to yourself through the power and gifts of the Spirit, which you have bestowed on us all. We especially praise you this day as we say goodbye to Carrie and Dave. We thank you for their ministries, their dedicated service to this parish and especially for their friendship. We ask that your Spirit remain with them, and that their gifts will continue to strengthen the bonds of love and reconciliation among their new spiritual community; Bless their travels and their new life together...for the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours for ever. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

God of love, we pray for your church: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; John and Diane our bishops; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world. God of love... **Hear our prayer**

God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love. God of freedom...**Hear our prayer**.

God of peace, we pray for this community: For our local leaders; for our schools especially St. Edmund's nursery school; for our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle in every heart a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all. Give us courage to strive for justice and peace among all people, beginning here at home. God of peace...**Hear our prayer**.

God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. Especially.....Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons. God of mercy...**Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for those whom we know celebrating their birthdays, anniversaries or other special occasions this week. Especially..... Gracious God People **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for those who are sick, those who suffer, and those who struggle: Especially all those who are affected by Covid-19, financial insecurity and all other trauma caused by this crisis. That the hope born of Easter gives them peace, and brings renewal, Merciful God... **Hear our Prayer.**

God of grace, we pray for those who have died: Especially..... May they know the joy of your eternal Kingdom. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light. God of grace...**Hear our prayer.**

The Officiant then says the following Collects

The Collect of the Day

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your lovingkindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer for hospital staff and medical researchers

Gracious God, give skill, sympathy and resilience to all who are caring for the sick, And your wisdom to those searching for a cure. Strengthen them with your Spirit, That through their work many will be restored to health; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Father's Day

Loving God, Heavenly Father, we thank you for fathers. We thank you for biological fathers, adopted fathers, and fathers in spirit. We thank you for fathers who love and nurture children who are not their own, who teach us to be upright and courageous in adversity and make us strong enough to go out into the world. Comfort those of us who miss our fathers this day, and strengthen and bless those fathers who work so hard to love, protect, and nurture their families this day and every day. *Amen.*

A moment of silence for individual prayers and thanksgivings

Please keep these members of the community in your prayers:

Elizabeth, Iris, Margaret, Ralph, Toby, Blake A., Iswari C., Janice C., Jeff D., Ellen E., Chuck C. Mimi, Marguerite H. Michael J. Maria K. Sandy L., Jean L., John M., Edward M., John M., Natalie P., Garret R., Krishan S., Patty T., The Simpson Family, the Dixon Family, Billie, Christine, Charlie, Glynis, and Nicole.

The General Thanksgiving Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your 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 our selves to your service, and by walking before you
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.

The Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace; Be of good courage; Hold fast to that which is good; Render to no one evil for evil; Strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; Help the afflicted; honor everyone; Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

Deacon Let us bless the Lord. ***All Thanks be to God.***

Postlude In Christ There Is No East or West

Dale Wood

Don't forget to Join us weeknights for *Compline*

The service of *Compline* is offered on the Saint Edmunds Facebook page live Monday thru Friday from 7:30pm-7:45pm. This is a short prayer service found in The Book of Common Prayer (p. 127) meant to provide peace and assurance of God's presence as we begin to settle in for the evening. If you do not have a Book of Common Prayer, download a pdf version here: https://episcopalchurch.org/files/book_of_common_prayer.pdf