



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 12, 2020

Thank you for choosing to worship with St. Margaret's today. Your virtual presence blesses all those who join this worship. The Morning Prayer Service you will experience has deep roots in Christian history. This gives a sense of being surrounded by all the faithful through time. May you find food for your soul here as we celebrate that all things are possible with God!

Morning Prayer

Opening Hymn

Hymn 48 O day of radiant gladness

John Wright, organist; Revae Reynolds, soprano

Es flog en kleins Waldvögelein

1. O day of radiant gladness,
O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness,
most beautiful, most bright;
this day the high and lowly,
through ages joined in tune,
sing, "Holy, holy, holy,"
to the great God Triune.

2. This day at the creation,
the light first had its birth;
this day for our salvation
Christ rose from depths of earth;
this day our Lord victorious
the Spirit sent from heaven,
and thus this day most glorious
a triple light was given.

3. This day, God's people meeting,
his Holy Scripture hear;
his living presence greeting,
through Bread and Wine made near.
We journey on, believing,
renewed with heavenly might,
from grace more grace receiving
on this blest day of light.

4. That light our hope sustaining,
we walk the pilgrim way,
at length our rest attaining,
our endless Sabbath day.
We sing to thee our praises,
O Father, Spirit, Son;
the Church her voice upraises
to thee, blest Three in One.

Greeting

Officiant:

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

Confession and Absolution:

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All 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.**

Officiant: 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

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All Together: **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.**

Officiant: The mercy of the Lord is everlasting: Come let us adore him.

Venite

Psalm 95:1-7

Chanted by the Cantor

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Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The Lessons

The First Lesson

Genesis 25:19-34

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her,

"Two nations are in your womb,
and two peoples born of you shall be divided;
the one shall be stronger than the other,
the elder shall serve the younger."

When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 119:105-112

- 105 Your word is a lantern to my feet *
and a light upon my path.
- 106 I have sworn and am determined *
to keep your righteous judgments.
- 107 I am deeply troubled; *
preserve my life, O Lord, according to your word.
- 108 Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my lips, *
and teach me your judgments.
- 109 My life is always in my hand, *
yet I do not forget your law.

- 110 The wicked have set a trap for me, *
but I have not strayed from your commandments.
- 111 Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; *
truly, they are the joy of my heart.
- 112 I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes *
for ever and to the end.

The Second Lesson

Romans 8:1-11

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 544 vv. 1-3 Jesus shall reign

Duke Street

John Wright, organist; Reva Reynolds, soprano

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
doth his successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made,
and praises throng to crown his head;
his Name like sweet perfume shall rise
with every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue
dwell on his love with sweetest song;
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his Name.

The Gospel

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

The Calling Committee

Hymn 438 vv. 1, 2, 4 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

Woodlands

John Wright, organist; Revae Reynolds, soprano

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy Name—the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

Apostle's Creed

Officiant: Please join in proclaiming our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

People:

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 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.

The Suffrages *All join in the bold letter responses*

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let your people sing with joy.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

Collects and Prayers

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you; and then use us, we pray, as your will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Gracious Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in any thing it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Savior. **Amen.**

O Great Love, thank you for living and loving in us and through us. May all that we do flow from our deep connection with you and all beings. Help us become a community that vulnerably shares each other's burdens and the weight of glory. Listen to our hearts' longings for the healing of our world. Please add your petitions for the world and for those suffering who are close to you: [Pause] We pray for those who have died, grieving losses from Covid-19, from acts of violence, and from all the perils of this life, including those we now name: [Pause] We offer these prayers trusting that you are seeing our needs beyond what we know to express. **Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving

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.**

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Final Prayer from Rita Saari, Transition Chaplain

Officiant offers a Blessing.

Postlude Trumpet Voluntary
John Wright, organist

Jeremiah Clarke

Worship Ministers

Members of the Call Committee, *Sermon*
The Rev. Kathleen Kelly, *Officiant and Reader of the Gospel*
The Rev. Deborah Seles, *The Lord's Prayer*
Jim Duke (Licensed Worship Leader), *Officiant*
Samantha Hirsch (Licensed Worship Leader), *Officiant*
Rita Saari, *Concluding Prayer*
John Wright, *Organist and Director of Music*
Craig Gahnz-Kuhar, *Cantor and Videographer*
Robin Nugent, Harold Patrick, *Lectors*
Dave and Diane Mueh, *voices of the people for Confession*
Judy Burton, Mary McKenzie, Cash Baxter and Betty Baxter, *voices of the people*
Emily Vogt, Debby Jansma and Chet Hecht, *Technical assistance*

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Readings for Next Sunday, 7/19/20 Sermon will be from The Rev. Susan Green, Deacon

Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23

The First Lesson Genesis 28:10-19a

The Second Lesson Romans 8:12-25

The Holy Gospel Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Parishioner Database Updates

Debby is almost finished updating our database. Do we have a photo of you in the directory? **We want to make sure Andrew knows who you are!** Just email any favorite snapshot to Debby:

debbyj@stmargarets.org.

Additional On-Line Worship Opportunities for July

Join us weekly on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/St.MargaretsEpiscopalChurch>) for Morning or Evening Prayer on Wednesdays and Compline on Sunday evenings:

July 12 - Compline

July 15 - Morning Prayer

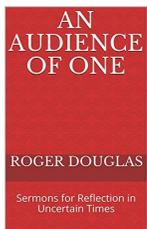
July 19 - Compline

July 22 - Evening Prayer

July 26 - Compline

July 29 - Morning Prayer

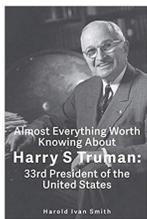
In addition, after viewing our service on Sunday, you might want to check out Fr. Andrew's sermons: <http://christchurchriverdale.org/>



New Books:

Sermons by Fr. Roger Douglas & Latest from Harold Smith

Fr. Douglas has just published a new book on Amazon called *An Audience of One*. It contains a number of the sermons that he preached in the Chapel at St. Margaret's during the Saturday night service. You can purchase a paperback copy for \$9.95 or a Kindle EBook for \$4.95 or read it for free if you have a Kindle Unlimited subscription. Just search Amazon books for "Douglas An Audience of One".



Also, you can find information about the latest book by parishioner Harold Smith, *Almost Everything Worth Knowing about Harry Truman*:

<https://www.amazon.com/Almost-Everything-Worth-Knowing-Truman/dp/0578646684>

Christian Formation during Covid19

What's happening with Christian Formation during Covid? Maybe that's not the first (probably not the 19th) thing you're wondering about these days! Perhaps you've been inundated with INFORMATION and are hoping for a breather. On the other hand, perhaps you're seeking a Christian perspective on current events.

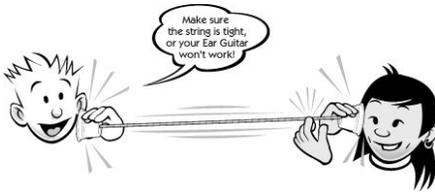
Here are some resources for you:

- Mondays at 3:00 p.m. or Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. Zoom group to discuss where we've met God during the week (through daily reflections, sermons, scripture readings). Judy Burton, Chris Davidson & Rick Martin facilitate on Mondays. Email Mother Deb (deborahs@stmargarets.org) to receive an invitation.
- *Becoming Beloved Community*: The Episcopal Church's wealth of resources at <https://episcopalchurch.org/beloved-community>. Stay tuned for details about the Sacred Ground experience!
- Brene Brown's podcast "Unlocking Us" <https://brenebrown.com/unlockingus/>. Brene, an Episcopalian, social work researcher and author speaks with contemporary leaders about issues of the day. On racial justice, check out her interviews with Addison Channing Brown and Professor Ibram K. Kendi (author of "How to Be an Anti-Racist" and "Antiracist Baby").



Neighbors-4-Neighbors UPDATE!

N4N will reopen this week (7/14) after a 2 week closure. Your continuing financial support is greatly appreciated, as we will be gearing up for continuing high numbers of clients as some businesses have had to curtail operations. Stay tuned for updates on food donations.



Technology Coaching

Don't miss out on chances to connect and worship using a computer or smart phone! The whole Altar Guild met last week on Zoom and had a blast. If you either could use a little coaching or could offer some coaching, please contact Andrew Trofka at (902) 619-6392 or ajtrofka@gmail.com and he will make matches.

Your 2020 Vestry

All Vestry members serve as a liaison to ministries in some topical area. Vestry liaisons will:

- Work with staff to coordinate activities and communications;
- Answer your questions about how to get involved; and
- Bring proposals from ministry groups to the Vestry.

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