

***St. Hugh & St. Edmund Anglican Church, Malton***

***September 20, 2020: Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost***

**Opening Hymns:** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

**The Gathering of the Community**

*Officiant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.

*People* And also with you.

*Officiant* Almighty God,  
*All* to you all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden.  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Glory to God**

*Officiant* Glory to God in the highest,  
*All* and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly king,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

### **The Collect of the Day**

*Officiant* Let us pray.  
Almighty God,  
you have created the heavens and the earth,  
and ourselves in your image.  
Teach us to discern your hand in all your works  
and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*People* Amen.

### **The Proclamation of the Word**

*Please refer to the following pages for a copy of this Sunday's readings.*

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**A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS**

2 The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. 3 The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." 4 Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. 5 On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." 6 So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, 7 and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" 8 And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord." 9 Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" 10 And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. 11 The Lord spoke to Moses and said, 12 "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'" 13 In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. 14 When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. 15 When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

EXODUS 16:2–15

**PSALM**

*Refrain* **The Lord has always been mindful of his covenant.** 1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples. 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, and speak of all his marvellous works. **R**

3 Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. 4 Search for the Lord and his strength; continually seek his face. **R**

5 Remember the marvels he has done, his wonders and the judgements of his mouth, 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, O children of Jacob his chosen. **R** 37 He led out his people with silver and gold; in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled. 38 Egypt was glad of their going, because they were afraid of them. 39 He spread out a cloud for a covering and a fire to give light in the night season. **R** 40 They asked, and quails appeared, and he satisfied them with bread from heaven. 41 He opened the rock, and water flowed, so the river ran in the dry places.

42 For God remembered his holy word and Abraham his servant. **R** 43 So he led forth his people with gladness, his chosen with shouts of joy. 44 He gave his people the lands of the nations, and they took the fruit of others' toil, 45 That they might keep his statutes and observe his laws. Hallelujah! **R** *Refrain* **The Lord has always been mindful of his covenant.** PSALM 105:1–6,

## **A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE PHILIPPIANS**

21 For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. 22 If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. 23 I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; 24 but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. 25 Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, 26 so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. 27 Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the Gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, 28 and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. 29 For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— 30 since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have. PHILIPPIANS 1:21–30

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW**

Jesus said, 1 “For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. 2 After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. 3 When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; 4 and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. 5 When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. 6 And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ 7 They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ 8 When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ 9 When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. 10 Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. 11 And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, 12 saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ 13 But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? 14 Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. 15 Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ 16 So the last will be first, and the first will be last.” MATTHEW 20:1–16

**Prayer over the gifts:** God of power, the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept all our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Prayer after communion:** Ruler of the universe, all creation yearns for its fulfillment in your Son. May we who have shared in holy things grow into maturity in him. This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Sermon

**Hymn for Reflection:** *To God Be the Glory*

### The Nicene Creed

*Officiant* Let us confess our faith, as we say,  
*All* 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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
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.  
With the Father and the Son

he is worshipped and glorified.  
He 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.

## **The Prayers of the People**

(In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy.")

For peace from on high and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our bishops, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For Elizabeth our Queen, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For *this city (town, village, etc.)*, for every city and community, and for those who live in them in faith, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For good weather, and for abundant harvests for all to share, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who travel by land, water, or air, for the sick and the suffering (especially . . . ), for prisoners and captives, and for their safety, health, and salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offences, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died (especially . . . ), let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Remembering ( . . . and) all the saints, we commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our God.

**To you, O Lord.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Officiant* And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

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

## **Confession and Absolution**

*Officiant* Dear friends in Christ,  
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;  
he welcomes sinners  
and invites them to his table.  
Let us confess our sins,  
confident in God's forgiveness.

*Officiant* Most merciful God,  
*All* 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 neighbours 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 upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* Amen.

## **The Peace**

*Officiant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

**Offertory Hymn:** *I Bind Unto Myself Today*



## **The Prayer over the Gifts**

*Officiant* God of power,  
the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe.  
Accept our offering this day,  
and help us to live in peace and harmony  
with all your creation,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* Amen.

## **The Doxology**

*Officiant* Glory to God,  
*All* whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more  
than we can ask or imagine.  
Glory to God from generation to generation,  
in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **The Blessing**

*Officiant* The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face  
shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you  
with favour and grant you peace. And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and  
remain with you always.

*People* Amen.

## **Dismissal**

*Officiant* Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Closing Hymn:** *Tell Out, My Soul*