Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 18A

Sunday, September 6, 2020
10:15 AM

ANTE-COMMUNION LITURGY OF THE WORD: RITE II

SEA EPISCOPAL CHURCH
STREAMING SERVICE
Welcome to all gathered here today

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Liturgies of the Word

Entrance Hymn
The hymn will be introduced first instrumentally with the last phrase of the tune. Then the congregations joins.

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven
Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)
Lauda anima, John Goss (1800-1880)

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring;
2. Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress.
4. Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face.

ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing;
Praise him, still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.
Alleluia, alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness!
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace!

Opening Acclamation
The people standing, the Presider says

Presider  Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People   And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen
COLLECT FOR PURITY    BCP 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Gloria

My Heart Sings Out, #9

Sing 2 times

Glo - ria, glo - ria, in ex - cel - sis De - o!

Glo - ria, glo - ria, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: from The Book of Common Prayer (1979) of the Episcopal Church USA.
Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
Ezekiel 33:7-11

So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” Say to them, “As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?”

PSALM 119:33-40

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, * and I shall keep it to the end.
Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; * I shall keep it with all my heart.
Make me go in the path of your commandments, * for that is my desire.
Incline my heart to your decrees * and not to unjust gain.
Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; * give me life in your ways.
38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, *  
which you make to those who fear you.
39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, *  
because your judgments are good.
40 Behold, I long for your commandments; *  
in your righteousness preserve my life.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 13:8-14

Reader A Reading from Paul’s letter to the churches in Rome.

8 Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. 9 The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” 10 Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

11 Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; 12 the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; 13 let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. 14 Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.
Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

[Jesu said,] 15 "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. 16 But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. 17 If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. 18 Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

19 Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”
Priest       The Gospel of the Lord.

People   Praise to you, Lord Christ

THE SERMON     The Rev. Lisa Biersch Cole

THE NICENE CREED   BCP 358

All stand.

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 and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

Creator God,
Be our Passover from the land of injustice,
be the light that leads us to the perfect rule of love,
that we may be citizens of your visionary reign;
we ask this through Jesus Christ, who showed us how to love our neighbor.

Praying, O Creator God, we sing You a new song

Make your Church courageous in healing people of their sinfulness in this broken world, and humble in confessing its own sin. Help the church to love radically, forgive graciously and always keep its eyes turned to you. Give it the loving righteousness of your Son, and make it his dwelling-place, and an outpost of your Kingdom. O Creator God

We sing You a new song

Hear our prayers and make us faithful stewards of the fragile bounty of this earth so that we may be entrusted with the riches of heaven. O Creator God

We sing You a new song

We pray for our leaders, that they may be dedicated to the flourishing of all your people in safety, wholeness, and health. Teach us how to settle differences peacefully; and to act honorably, speak respectfully, and live justly. We pray too for all those who are researching the Covid-19 Pandemic asking that they be successful in finding a way forward for all humanity. O Creator God

We sing You a new song

We pray that You comfort and heal all who are chronically ill, all who are vulnerable and unable to cope with the demands of life, and those battling addiction. Protect the homeless, and give life to the restless confined to their homes. Fill all who care for them with kindness. We now join our hearts together to pray for those in need that they receive proper, compassionate help. O Creator God

We sing You a new song

May our closeness to family and friends never lead us to shutting others out, but lead us to be always inclusive, welcoming others. Encourage us in outgoing hospitality even as we struggle with what that looks like in this pandemic. Let us
use this time to forgive those who have hurt us, and to relearn trust and unity. O Creator God

**We sing You a new song**

Grant us peace in knowing that our loved ones sing your praises and dance under the eternal sunshine of Life everlasting with You. O Creator God

**We sing You a new song**

*(Special intentions of the congregation, the diocese, and the Anglican Communion may be added here or before the formal intercessions.)*

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

God among us,
we gather in the name of your Son
to learn love for one another.
Turn our feet from evil paths,
our hands from shameful deeds,
our minds to your wisdom,
and our hearts to your grace. Amen.

**CONFESSION OF SIN**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Minister and People*

**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 stands and 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

THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer for Birthdays and other celebrations
Watch over your children O Lord, as their days increase: bless and guide them
wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when
discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your
peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through
Christ our Lord. Amen

LITURGY OF THE TABLE ANTE-COMMUNION

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

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https://www.seaepiscopal.org/

Offertory Hymn

Come thou font of every blessing

The Hymnal 1982. #686

1 Come, thou font of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace!
   Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
   Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by Jesus, sought me when a stranger wandering
   flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it, mount of God's unchanging love.

2 Here I find my greatest treasure; hither, by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
   Fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee:
   Jesus sought me when a stranger wandering
   from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

3 Oh, to grace how great a debt or daily
   I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a
   prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and
   seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt.
Music: Nettleton, melody from A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813; harm. Gerre Hancock (b. 1934)

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Presider

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

CLOSING PRAYER
People and Presider

Christ you are risen with the sun;
you are light in our darkness,
warmth in our cold.
You are peace and hope and joy,
for you went willingly to death.
You turned defeat and failure into victory for all.
Until we can gather again at your table;
strengthen our faith
that we may grow in love for you and for all you children,
Through Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING
The Priest blesses the people, saying

God's Blessing be with you,
Christ's peace be with you,
The Spirit's outpouring be with you,
Now and always. Amen.
THE CLOSING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, we adore thee

1 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
2 All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
3 Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,

hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above.
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
well-spring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;
Field and forest, vale and mountain, blooming meadow, flashing sea,
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother: all who live in love are thine;

giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Words: Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933)
Music: Hymn to Joy, Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827); adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867), alt.

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

The people respond: Thanks be to God.
### Postlude: God be with You

| 1. God be with you till we meet again,  
When life’s perils thick confound you,  
Put His arms unfailing round you,  
God be with you till we meet again.  
(refrain) | (reftin)  
Till we meet, till we meet,  
Till we meet at Jesus’ feet;  
Till we meet, till we meet,  
God be with you till we meet again. | 2. God be with you till we meet again,  
By His counsels guide, uphold you,  
With His sheep securely fold you,  
God be with you till we meet again. |

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**Flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God**  
Serving Sunday September 6, 2020  
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LEM: Rebekah Hays Estera  
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Come Grow with us.
All are Welcome.

Weekdays at SEA Episcopal

Tuesday  **Morning Prayer**  8:00 AM
(Zoom and Live Stream)

Tuesday  **Preparing for Sunday** (Reading Discussion & Recordings)  11:00 AM
(Zoom Room)

Wednesday **Noonday Prayer**  12:15 PM
(Zoom and Live Stream)

Thursday  **Preparing for Sunday** (Recording Take Two)  6:30 PM
(Zoom Room)

Thursday  **The Good Book Study**  7:00 PM  (resumes September 10)
(Zoom only)

Thursday  **Compline**  8:30 PM
(Zoom and Live Stream)

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2 The Vicar’s cell phone number is (510) 701-0207. Her sabbath: Monday & Saturday