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*Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head  
and lay down in that place – Genesis 28  
Photo by Helen Norman*

## Seventh Sunday after Pentecost July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Service broadcast to be watched at home**

The Ven. Christopher Dunn  
The Rev. Simone Hurkmans  
The Rev. Deacon Dr. Jarrett Carty  
Music: Edith Troup  
Children and Youth: Barbara Robertson

Celebrant: Dear friends, we gather today on the traditional  
unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg people.

**People: May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.**

Hymn: **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

CP#384

**Praise to the Lord,  
the Almighty, the King of creation;  
O my soul, praise him,  
for he is thy health and salvation:  
all ye who hear,  
brothers and sisters draw near,  
praise him in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord,  
who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shelters thee under his wings,  
yea, so gently sustaineth:  
hast thou not seen  
how thy entreaties have been  
granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord,  
who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
surely his goodness and mercy  
here daily attend thee:  
ponder anew  
what the Almighty can do,  
if with his love he befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord,  
who, when tempests their warfare are waging,  
who, when the elements madly  
around thee are raging,  
biddeth them cease,  
turneth their fury to peace,  
whirlwinds and waters assuaging.**

**Praise to the Lord,  
who when darkness of sin is abounding,  
who when the godless do triumph,  
all virtue confounding,**

sheddeth his light,  
chaseth the horrors of night,  
saints with his mercy surrounding.

**Praise to the Lord!**  
**O let all that is in me adore him!**  
**All that hath life and breath**  
**come now with praises before him!**  
**Let the Amen**  
**sound from his people again:**  
**gladly for aye we adore him.**

Celebrant: O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**People: You have set your glory above the heavens.**

Celebrant: When we look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;

**People: what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honour.**

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**People: 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.**

Celebrant: O God of Jacob,

**People: you speak in the light of day and in the dark of night when our sleeping is filled with dreams of heaven and earth; may we be open and watchful to your presence in our midst; through Jesus Christ, your dream made flesh. Amen.**

### **The First Reading is from Genesis (28:10-19a)**

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and

lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

**Reader:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Psalms 139:1-12, 23-24 (read together)**

**Lord, you have searched me out and known me. You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar. You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways. Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O Lord, know it altogether. You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it. Where can I go then from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I climb up to heaven, you are there; if I make the grave my bed, you are there also. If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand will lead me and your mighty hand hold me fast. If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light around me turn to night." Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike. Search me out, O God, and know my heart; try me**

**and know my restless thoughts. Look well whether there be any wickedness in me and lead me in the way that is everlasting.**

**The Second Reading is from Romans (8:12-25)**

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

**Reader:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn: The Love of Jesus Calls Us**

**CP#434**

**The love of Jesus calls us  
our joyous praise to sing;  
our deeply felt thanksgivings  
we now together bring,  
for all God’s many blessings,  
unasked yet still received,  
and for the generations  
who faithfully believed.**

The love of Jesus calls us,  
that we may always be  
companions on a journey,  
where all the world may see  
that serving Christ is freedom  
which time does not destroy;  
where Christ's command is duty,  
and every duty joy.

The love of Jesus calls us  
to go where he would go,  
to challenge all that limits,  
to change, to learn, to grow,  
to know that Christ has freed us,  
that prisons are no more;  
for those who seek his kingdom,  
Christ opens every door.

The love of Jesus calls us  
in swiftly changing days,  
to be God's co-creators  
in new and wondrous ways;  
that God with men and women  
may so transform the earth,  
that love and peace and justice  
may give God's kingdom birth.

Reader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to  
Matthew (13:24-30, 36-43)

**People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him,

'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.' . . . Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Reflection

Hymn: **God, Your Glorious Presence**

CP#337

**God, your glorious presence  
draws us to adore you,  
and with awe appear before you.  
In your holy temple  
all keep mystic silence,  
prostrate lie with deepest reverence.  
You alone God we own,  
you our God and Saviour:  
praise your name forever.**

**In God's glorious presence  
hear the harps resounding!  
See the hosts the throne surrounding!  
"Holy, holy, holy,"  
hear the hymn ascending,  
angels, saints, their voices blending!**

**Bow your ear to us here:  
hear, O Christ, the praises  
that your church now raises.**

**Fount of endless blessing,  
purify my spirit,  
trusting only in your merit.  
Like the holy angels  
who behold your splendour,  
may I ceaseless worship render.  
Let your will ever still  
rule your church terrestrial,  
as the hosts celestial.**

Celebrant: Let us make an affirmation of faith, as we say,

**People: You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our  
world and give us life. Your purpose overarches  
everything we do. You have always been with us.  
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond  
all measure. You came to us before we came to you.  
You have revealed and proved your love for us in  
Jesus Christ, who lived and died and rose again.  
You are with us now. You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be  
your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal;  
you overcome death. You are our God. We worship  
you.**

Prayers of the People

*(prepared by Toni Larsen)*

One: In Canada we pray for our country, its leaders, and  
people that together but apart we will overcome the  
difficulties we presently face. Bless all those who have  
to make decisions affecting all of us and grant that we  
may respect and abide by what is deemed best for us.  
In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for Linda,  
our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan Shane, our Bishop;  
Chris, Simone, Jarrett, our clergy; and Brian, Pastor of

First United Church—bless, O Lord, their ministries each and every day.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

One: In our Parish, we offer prayers for those who have asked us to remember them in their time of need:

**All: Betty-Joan** (Hagerman); **Cheryl** (McTeer); **Ken** (Poisson); **Marie** (Deruga); **Brayden** (Turtle); **Heather** (Russell); **Stephen** (Walton); **Michele** (Pollesel); **Edward** (Hutchinson); **Trish** (Rowlands); **Carran** (Taylor); **Samantha** (Wood); **Sylvia** (Pierce); **Mykie** (Bradley); **Ruth** (MacDonald); **Nancy** (Irvine); **Doug** (Irvine); **Randy** (Brown); **Deirdre** (Piper); **Flo** (Warner); **Lois** (Culp); **Nina** (Fowler)

One: comfort them and hear our prayer for those we now name silently or aloud. . . .

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

One: We also give thanks for those who have died, remembering especially . . . and others we name silently or aloud . . . . may their lives be remembered lovingly by those who mourn.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

One: Our Lord tells us that the one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world and the good seed are the children of the kingdom. May our thoughts be of how we can carry out God's wishes in our lives, our church, and our community. In these uncertain times we are challenged in so many ways—Lord guide us as we face the future.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

One: Together yet apart—words can be so meaningful. Let us reach out to others, especially those living alone. May we inspire hope in those we reach out to. In our communities, family, friends, and neighbours are rallying to help in so many ways, help us to continue to do our part so that we may overcome whatever comes our way. Lord give us the courage to face the future.

**All:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**One:** Let us pray for farmers and agricultural workers in our region that they may get the weather they need in order to harvest their produce, for which we are truly grateful. May their hard labour not be in vain.

**All:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**One:** May our blessings in life be our inspiration to reach out to others.

**People:** Amen.

**Celebrant:** And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we say,  
**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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Celebrant:** Glory to God,  
**People:** **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.**

**Celebrant:** Sisters and brothers, however dark the night gets—whatever you have stolen or squandered—know that you are held by a love like this:

**People:** **The Creator who made us still claims us in covenant love. The Redeemer who died for our sake lives again by the word of God. The Sustainer of all creation yet breathes courage into our hearts.**

**Celebrant:** Sisters and brothers, the triune God still traffics in mercy.

**People:** **We will serve, then, with boldness and joy.**

**Celebrant:** And the blessing . . . .

**You are salt for the earth, O people:  
salt for the Kingdom of God!  
Share the flavour of life, O people:  
life in the Kingdom of God!**

***Refrain: Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,  
bring forth the Kingdom of peace;  
bring forth the Kingdom of justice,  
bring forth the City of God!***

**You are a light on the hill, O people:  
light for the City of God!  
Shine so holy and bright, O people:  
shine for the Kingdom of God!**

***Refrain***

**You are a seed of the Word, O people:  
bring forth the Kingdom of God!  
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,  
grow in the Kingdom of God!**

***Refrain***

**We are a blest and a pilgrim people:  
bound for the Kingdom of God!  
Love our journey and love our homeland:  
love is the Kingdom of God!**

***Refrain***

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

***Readings for Next Sunday, July 26th, 2020***

*Genesis 29:15-28; Psalm 128;*

*Romans 8:26-39; Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52*

*Credits:*

*Opening and Closing Prayers from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, Year A*

*Collect from Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.*

*Psalm from A Liturgical Psalter, General Synod 2016 edition, the psalter of the Book of Alternative Services emended for contemporary liturgical use.*

*Readings from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.*

*Liturgical texts from The Book of Alternative Services*

*Affirmation of faith from A New Zealand Prayer Book*

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Please pray this week for:

- all who are affected by the COVID-19 pandemic;
- those ministering and worshipping in
  - Good Shepherd, Wakefield;
  - Holy Trinity, Lascelles;
  - St. Mary Magdalene, Chelsea; and
  - The Area Parish of Mississippi Lake: St. James, Carleton Place; St. James, Franktown; St. John's, Innisville; Christ Church Ashton; and St. Bede's Nolans Corners
- those in our Pastoral Care: Pam Cross, Thelma Mills, Audrey McIntosh, and Fran Tippet; and
- our sister parishes in the area, our ecumenical fellowship, our Muslim friends at the Scott St. Mosque, and other interfaith friends.

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today:

Readers: Julia Brady, Helen Norman, Sarah Brown

Intercessor: prepared by Toni Larsen; read by John Hurkmans