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*I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him." – Hymn CP#508
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Fifth Sunday after Pentecost July 5th, 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: **Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing** CP#354

**Come, thou Fount 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 measure,
sung by flaming tongues above;
O the vast, the boundless treasure
of my God's unchanging love.**

**Here I make faith's affirmation:
thus far by thy help I've come,
and I hope, by thy compassion,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.**

**O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
take my heart, O take and seal it,
seal it from thy courts above.**

Celebrant: Beloved of God, winter is a distant memory,

People: flowers bloom on the earth,

Celebrant: the time of singing has come.

People: Let us lift our voices in praise to our Creator.

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: Lord of heaven and earth,

People: whose Son came eating and drinking, exposing the rivalry that tears the world apart: may we share his feast and friendship and lay our burdens in his liberating arms; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The First Reading is from Genesis (24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67)

Eliezer said, "I am Abraham's servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.' . . ." I came today to the spring, and said, 'O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also"—let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master's son.' "Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and

worshipped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left." . . . And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 45:10-17 (read together)

"Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; forget your people and your father's house. The king will have pleasure in your beauty; he is your master; therefore do him honour. The people of Tyre are here with a gift; the rich among the people seek your favour." All glorious is the princess as she enters; her gown is cloth-of-gold. In embroidered apparel she is brought to her sovereign; after her the bridesmaids follow in procession. With joy and gladness they are brought, and enter into the royal palace. "In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons; you shall make them princes over all the earth. I will make your name to be remembered from one generation to another; therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever."

The Second Reading is from Romans (7:15-25a)

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

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People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

CP#508

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Come unto me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one, lay down
thy head upon my breast.”**

**I came to Jesus as I was,
so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
and he has made me glad.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down and drink, and live.”**
**I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
and all thy days be bright.”
I looked to Jesus and I found
in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk,
till travelling days are done.**

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (11:16-19, 25-30)

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

Jesus said, “But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.” . . . At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Reflection

**Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou biddest me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, and waiting not
to rid my soul of one dark blot,
to thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am—thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down—
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

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

**All: 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.

Prayers of the People (prepared by Portia Parsell Hainzelin)

One: Let us pray together with open hearts for our community and for our world.

All: We come to you, Lord of heaven and earth, to find rest for our souls.

One: "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me." We lift up all religious leaders as they creatively seek ways to offer comfort and understanding. We pray for Linda, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; Shane, our Bishop; Chris, Simone, and Jarrett, our clergy; and Brian, pastor of First United.

All: We come to you, Lord of heaven and earth, to find rest for our souls.

One: "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." As we continue to forge a way forward in these uncertain and uneasy times of Covid-19, we sometimes feel overwhelmed. Instead of regretting what we cannot yet do, help us discern and find new ways to be present to our families, communities, and the world. We find rest in you. May it help us through our actions to go out and reflect your hope and love for our world.

All: We come to you, Lord of heaven and earth, to find rest for our souls.

One: We pray for all those, those many, who are suffering and in need. We pray especially at this time for those who have asked for our prayers:

All: Betty-Joan (Hagerman); **Cheryl** (McTeer); **Ken** (Poisson); **Marie** (Deruga); **Brayden** (Turtle); **Heather** (Russell); **Phillip** (Turtle); **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: and others we name, silently or aloud We pray for all those who have died. We lift up to you the recently departed, remembering especially . . . and others we name silently or aloud

All: We come to you, Lord of heaven and earth, to find rest for our souls.

One: "I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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: O God,

People: may we who have shared in holy things never fail to serve you in your world, and so come to the fullness of joy, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: And the blessing

Hymn: **God of Grace and God of Glory**

CP#577

**God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your power,
now fulfil your church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the facing of this hour.**

**Lo! The hosts of evil round us
scorn your Christ, assail his ways.
Fears and doubts too long have bound us;
free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the living of these days.**

**Cure your children's warring madness.
Bend our pride to your control.
Shame our wanton selfish gladness,
rich in goods and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal.**

**Set our feet on lofty places;
gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christ-like graces
in the fight for liberty.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we fail ourselves and thee.**

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

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Readings for Next Sunday, July 12th, 2020

Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-112;

Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Credits:

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

Collect from Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) 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

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Please pray this week for:

- all who are affected by the COVID-19 pandemic;
- those worshipping and ministering at
 - St. Thomas the Apostle, Ottawa;
 - St. Thomas, Woodlawn;
 - St. George's, Fitzroy Harbour;
- those in our Pastoral Care: Elizabeth Barter, Isabel Barter, Jean Noi, and Joyce Code; and
- the various community associations contained within our parish.

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today:

Readers: Isabelle & Evelyne Hurkmans, Diane Bays, Cindy Brown
Intercessor: Portia Parsell Hainzelin



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