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*"I feel the winds of God today; today my sail I lift," – Hymn VU #625
Photo by Helen Norman*

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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
Julie Newlands

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: **O Praise Ye the Lord**

CP#330

**O praise ye the Lord! Give praise in the height;
rejoice in God's word, ye angels of light;
ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made,
and worship before him in brightness arrayed.**

**O praise ye the Lord! Give praise upon earth;
in tuneful accord, ye sons of new birth;
praise God who hath brought you all grace from above,
praise God who hath taught you the pathways of love.**

**O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound;
each jubilant chord re-echo around;
loud organs, God's glory proclaim in deep tone,
and, sweet harp, the story of what God hath done.**

**O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song
be ever outpoured all ages along:
for love in creation, for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!**

Celebrant: God lifts us from death to life and preserves us for God's purposes

**People: through the compassion of Jesus Christ our Lord
and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. With
thanksgiving, praise the Lord!**

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: Through the storms of life, O God,

People: you walk with your people in the person of Jesus your Son. Calm our fears and strengthen our faith so that we may never doubt his presence among us but proclaim that he is your Son, risen from the dead, living forever. Amen.

The First Reading is from Genesis (37:1-4, 12-28)

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him"—that he might rescue him out of their hand and

restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 105: 1-6, 16-22, 45b (read together)

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon the divine name; make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples. Sing to the Lord, sing praises, and speak of all the marvellous works of the Lord. Glory in the holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Search for the strength of the Lord; continually seek the face of God. Remember the marvels the Lord has done, the wonders and the judgements of the mouth of the Lord, O offspring of Abraham the servant of God, O children of Jacob the chosen of the Lord Then God called for a famine in the land and destroyed the supply of bread. The Lord sent a man before them, Joseph, who was sold as a slave They bruised his feet in fetters; his neck they put in an iron collar. Until his prediction came to pass, the word of the Lord tested him. The king sent and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free. He set him as master over his household, as a ruler over all his possessions, to instruct his princes according to his will and to teach his elders wisdom Hallelujah!

The Second Reading is from Romans (10:5-15)

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn: I Feel the Winds of God Today

VU625
(tune: CP#508)

**I feel the winds of God today;
today my sail I lift,
Though heavy oft with drenching spray
and torn with many a rift;
If hope but light the water's crest,
and Christ my bark will use,
I'll seek the seas at his behest,
and brave another cruise.**

**It is the wind of God
that dries my vain regretful tears,
Until with braver thoughts
shall rise the purer, brighter years;
If cast on shores of selfish ease
or pleasure I should be,
Lord, let me feel thy freshening breeze,
and I'll put back to sea.**

**If ever I forget thy love
and how that love was shown,
Lift high the blood-red flag above;
it bears thy name alone.
Great pilot of my onward way,
thou wilt not let me drift.
I feel the winds of God today;
today my sail I lift.**

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (14:22-33)

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

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his

hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection

Hymn: **Precious Lord, Take my Hand**

CP#509

**Precious Lord, take my hand,
lead me on, let me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
through the storm, through the night,
lead me on to the light:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.**

**When my grows drear,
precious Lord, linger near;
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call,
hold my hand lest I fall:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home**

**When the darkness appears
and the night draws near,
and the day is past and gone,
at the river I stand;
guide my feet, hold my hand:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.**

Celebrant: Let us make an affirmation of faith. We believe in God:

All: who is older than eternity and younger than our next breath; who is beyond describing yet knows us all by name; who inspires faith yet cannot be contained by religion.

Celebrant: We believe in Jesus Christ, flesh of our flesh, bone of our bone;

All: He came in the body to give worth to every human life. He touched the untouchable, loved the unlovable, forgave the unforgivable and endured slander, persecution and death in order that through suffering love God's kingdom might come on earth.

He rose from the grave as living proof that what is laid down in faith will be raised in glory. He ascended to heaven that he might be present at all times to all people.

Celebrant: We believe in the Holy Spirit,

All: who leads us into truth and freedom, who gives good gifts to all God's children, who inspires research, enables prayer, and wills that human economics and politics should make a priority of justice, care of the earth and the healing of the nations.

Celebrant: We celebrate the potential of the Church,

All: the life in our bodies, the yearning in our souls, the promise of good things in store for those who love the Lord.

Prayers of the People *(prepared by Susan Stewart)*

One: Through the storms of life O God, you walk with your people in the person of Jesus your Son. In these frightening times, calm our fears and strengthen our faith so that we may never doubt Jesus' presence among us but proclaim that he is your Son, risen from the dead, living forever. Let us pray for the needs of the world, saying, "Save us, O Lord,

All: we come to you."

One: We pray for the family of God, our sisters and brothers throughout the world. Save us, O Lord,

All: we come to you.

One: We pray for your church, that it may fulfill its mission in the world and be a beacon of hope. We pray for our church leaders, Linda, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; and Shane, our Bishop. We pray for our clergy, Chris, Simone, and Jarrett and give thanks for their leadership in these challenging times. Save us, O Lord,

All: we come to you.

One: We pray for those who suffer in body, mind, and spirit. Be with those who live in fear, bewilderment, and discouragement in these challenging times. Save us, O Lord,

All: we come to you.

One: We pray for the special needs of those who have asked for our prayers:

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); **Rebecca** (Corbin); **Margaret** (Cook)

One: and those whom we name, silently or aloud Save us, O Lord,

All: we come to you.

One: We pray for those who have died in the peace of Christ, for those who mourn their passing, including those we name silently or aloud Especially, we pray for those who died in the explosion in Beirut and for all the people of Lebanon, including the parishioners and church of All Saints' Anglican in Beirut, partners in the Diocese of Jerusalem. Save us, O Lord,

All: we come to you.

One: Gracious God, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people; you know our needs before we ask and our ignorance in asking. Grant our requests as may be best for us. This we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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: The word of faith is near you, on your lips and in your heart.

People: How shall others hear unless we proclaim it? We will go now in the generous grace and favour of our God.

Celebrant: And the blessing...

Hymn: **Alleluia! Sing to Jesus**

CP#374

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
His the scepter, His the throne;
alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood;**

**Jesus out of every nation
has redeemed us by His blood.**

**Alleluia! Not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia! he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget His promise,
"I am with you evermore"?**

**Alleluia! Bread of heaven,
thou on earth our food, our stay;
alleluia! here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day;
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer; plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.**

**Alleluia! King eternal,
thee the Lord of Lords we own;
alleluia! born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne.
Thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great high priest;
thou on earth both priest and victim
in the eucharistic feast.**

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluia! His the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus, out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.**

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Readings for Next Sunday, August 16th, 2020

*Genesis 45:1-15, 12-28; Psalm 133;
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:21-28*

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 Wee Worship Book, Fifth Edition

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Please pray this week for:

- all who are affected by the COVID-19 pandemic;
- those ministering and worshipping in
 - St. Clare's, North Dundas;
 - St. Mary the Virgin, Blackburn;
 - St. Mary's, Navan;
 - Holy Trinity, Bearbrook;
- the residents, staff, and chaplains of the Ottawa Carleton Detention Centre;
- those in our Pastoral Care: Evelyn Heeney, Mary Bradley, Kay Findlay, and Dorothy Adams; and
- the Carlington Health Centre and the Carlington Chaplaincy.

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today:

Celebrant: The Right Reverend Eric Bays
Preacher: Dr. Patricia Bays
Readers: Ann Haché, Sally Lees, Diane Bays
Intercessor: Susan Stewart