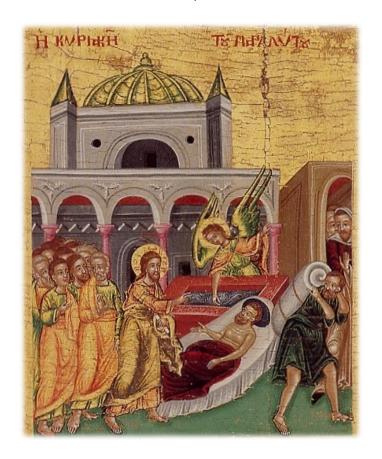
MORNING PRAYER

St. Columba's Episcopal Church The Rev. Teri Waldron, Presiding May 22, 2022



THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Hymnal 1982 - #686 Come, thou fount of every blessing Come, thou fount 1 of bless ing, ev ery tune my 2 Here I find hith - er, great - est sure; my trea 3 Oh, how debt dai - ly to grace great or heart thy grace! Streams of to sing mer cy nev - er by thy help, I've come; and I by thy good hope, ľm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a o call for praise. ing, of loud - est ceas songs plea sure, safe - ly to rive home. ar at fet bind my dering heart thee: ter, wan to Teach me lo - dious by some me son net, sung Je - sus sought when me a stran wan - dering ger prone to der, Lord, I feel wan it, prone flam ing tongues a bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me from the fold of God; he, to res cue me from I leave the God love; here's my heart, oh, take and



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PRESIDER: He is the name of the Three-in-One and One-in-Three. Amen.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

DEACON: Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of God and one another, in gratitude to hear the holy Word and share in the spiritual communion of Christ. In this celebration of Christ's love, let us prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship God, and entrust ourselves to the divine mercy.

Silence is kept. Then all pray together, led by Deacon:

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against our Mother Farth.

Although you have made us incarnations of your Love,

we have not reflected your Divine Image in the world.

Although you have called us to intimacy in Christ, we have shunned you in ourselves, in others, and in your Creation.

Although you have poured upon us the Spirit of freedom.

we have preferred our slavery to our passions, greed, and complacency.

Turn to us Lord, even when our hearts turn away from you.

Forgive us for the harm we cause to the innocent, the vulnerable, the voiceless.

Forgive us for the harm we inflict on the very planet that sustains us.

Instill in us a spirit of repentance.

Shake us from our complacency.

Move us to act in accordance with your Will for the love of the planet and one another.

Awaken in us the hope of the Resurrection, that recalling your boundless love for us we may love boundlessly in return.

We ask this in the name of Christ Jesus.

Amen.

PRESIDER: May 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 Holy Spirit, keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

THE LESSONS

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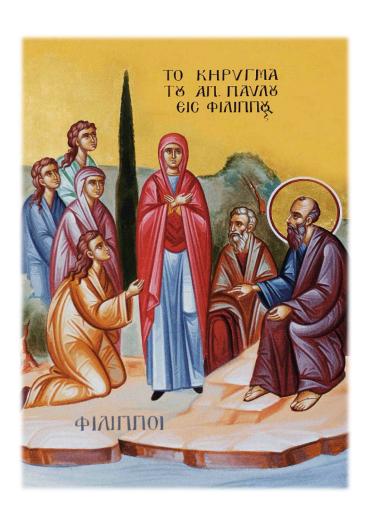
LECTOR: A reading from the Book of Acts [16:9-15]

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying,

"If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Hear what the Spirit is saying. *Thanks be to God!*



PSALM 67 Deus misereatur (All sing together.)



- O God, be merciful to us and /bless us, *
 show us the light of your countenance and /come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon /earth, * your saving health among all /nations.
- Let the peoples praise you, O /God; * let all the peoples /praise you.
- Let the nations be glad and sing for /joy, * for you judge the peoples with equity → and guide all the nations upon /earth.



- Let the peoples praise you, O /God; *
 let all the peoples /praise you.
- The earth has brought forth her /increase; *
 may God, our own God, /bless us.

Second half:

O God, give us your /blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in /awe of you.

THE EPISTLE

[LECTOR PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC]

LECTOR: A reading from the Book of Revelation [21:10, 22-22:5]

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

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THE GOSPEL

GOSPELLER: A reading from the Holy Gospel According to John [5:1-9]

Glory to you Lord Christ.

After Jesus healed the son of the official in Capernaum, there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids-- blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me."

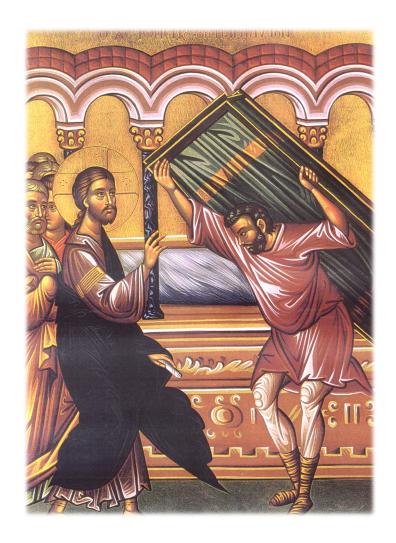
Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you Lord Christ.*

SERMON

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Fr. Vincent Pizzuto, PhD



SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

All are invited to sit in silent communion with one another for several minutes. A bell will signal the beginning and end of our meditation.

TÍRECHÁN'S CREED

From The Patrician Texts from the Book of Armagh, 670AD

Presider: Our God is the God of all, The God of heaven and Earth, The God of the sea and rivers, The God of the sun and moon, The God of all the heavenly bodies, The God of the lofty mountains, The God of the lowly valleys. God is above the heavens: And beneath the heavens. Heaven and Earth and sea. And everything that is in them, Such is the abode of the Holy One. God inspires all things, gives life to all things, stands above all things, And stands beneath all things. God enlightens the light of the sun, strengthens the light of the night and the stars, makes wells in the arid land and dry islands in the sea, and places the stars in the service of the greater lights.

God has a Son who is co-eternal and similar in all respects;
And neither is the Son younger than the Father,
Nor is the Father older than the Son;
And the Holy Spirit breathes in them.
And the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit are inseparable. Amen.

THE EXCHANGE OF PEACE

Presider will invite us all into small groups for several minutes to exchange a sign of peace and get to know one another. If you are new to St. Columba's we welcome you. If you are a member already, please extend a warm welcome to those in your group.

THE PRAYERS

DEACON: The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

Let us pray.

All Together:

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.

DEACON: And for what or whom else shall we pray?

All are invited to voice prayers before the community or offer them in the silence of your heart.

[Unmute before speaking, then kindly mute again]

PRAYER RESPONSE:

DEACON: God hear us, God graciously hear us...

PRESIDER CONCLUDES:

Lord God, hear the prayers of your people: Those we have voiced in the presence of your Assembly, those we hold in the silence of our hearts, and those for which we have yet to find words. In gratitude and love we entrust ourselves to you who knows better than we the deepest needs of our hearts. We ask this in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*

GENERAL THANKSGIVING. Led by Deacon

O God, you have given us the grace of this time with one another to celebrate your love in spiritual communion. In Christ, you promised that where two or three are gathered, you will be here among us. Even as we long to be together in body, be now our spiritual body uniting us in heart and mind and spirit. In this time of pandemic, let longing for deeper communion with one another be the grace by which we come to know your deepest desire to be one with us. *Amen.*

PRESIDER: Let us bless the Lord.

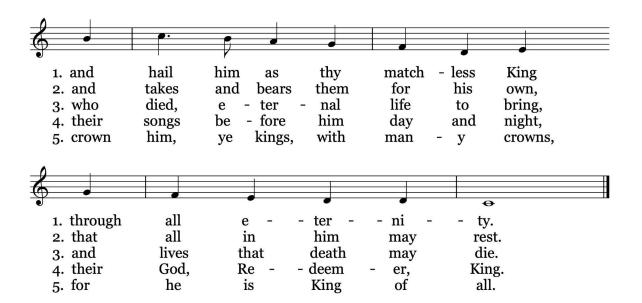
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Presider continues...

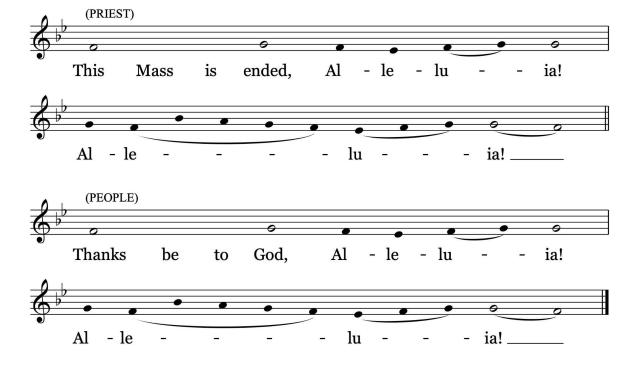
May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all both now and forever. *Amen.*

Crown Him with Many Crowns





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In place of 3rd Hour!

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JUNE 9, 2022

10AM-3PM

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We will be honoring the Bell Tower as well offering an on-the-hour lecture on its history and theology by Fr. Vincent!

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SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, JULY 23, 2022

It is time to collect items for this year's major community fundraiser!

Please consider donating *small household items, small electronics, jewelry accessories, garden supplies, books, crafts, gently used clothing, scarves, bags*

For information or to volunteer at the sale, please contact Penny Washbourn at pwashbou@hotmail.com

Sponsored by the Outside Events Committee

COFFEE WITH JESUS

Take few minutes to get your favorite morning beverage and return to us for coffee hour small group conversation.

