



St. John's Episcopal Church

297 Lowell Avenue

Newtonville, Massachusetts

The Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost

Morning Prayer

October 18, 2020, 10:00 a.m.

St. John's Weekly Calendar

<i>Sunday, October 18</i>	8:00 am	Morning Prayer, Rite II (zoom)
The Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost	10:00 am	Morning Prayer, Rite II (outside + live stream)
<i>Thursday, October 22</i>	6:00 pm	Compline (Zoom)
<i>Sunday, October 25</i>	8:00 am	Morning Prayer, Rite II (zoom)
The Twenty-first Sunday of Pentecost	10:00 am	Morning Prayer, Rite II (outside + live stream)

Prayer Requests

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

We Pray for the Parishes of the South Shore Deanery
Parish of St. John the Evangelist, Hingham
St. John's Church, Holbrook
Trinity Church, Marshfield
Church of Our Saviour, Milton
Order of St. Luke

The Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer

We Pray for the Caribbean: *Antigua and Barbuda, Aruba,*
Bahamas, Barbados, Cuba, Curaçao, Dominica, Dominican Republic,
Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Sint Maarten, St
Kitts-Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname,
Trinidad and Tobago

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

We Pray for *Pray for the Episcopal Church*
The Most Revd Michael Curry - Presiding Bishop of The
Episcopal Church

Birthdays

Robert Main 10/18
Jessica Marie Zabchuk Dion 10/19
Alastair Chapman 10/21
Eric Jacobs 10/22

Wedding Anniversaries

Betsy Blagdon & Ken Sinclair 10/24

Pray for Healing:

...remembering especially Richard, the Rev. Robert, Harding, Karen, Martha, Jan, Barbara, Suzanne, Ruppert, Ceel, Lauren, Alison, Jeremy, Sheila, Rob, Sara, and Nicholas.

Order of Service

Prelude

From *Suite en forme de Messe basse*

Gaston Litaize

Prélude

The people stand, as able.

Opening Hymn: 393, "Praise our great and gracious Lord"

Maoz Zur



1 Praise our great and gra - cious Lord, call up - on his ho - ly Name;
2 God has given the cloud by day, given the mov - ing fire by night;



raisi - ng hymns in glad ac - cord, all his might - y acts pro - claim;
guides his Is - rael on their way from the dark - ness in - to light.



how he leads his cho - sen un - to Ca - naan's prom - ised land,
God it is who grants us sure re - treat and re - fuge nigh;



how the word we have heard firm and change - less still shall stand.
light of dawn leads us on: 'tis the Day - spring from on high.

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Officiant: Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 15:57

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Venite, S 34

Plainsong Tone 4

Antiphons are sung with this setting.

1. Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal - va - tion. 2. Let us come before his presence with thanks - giv - ing and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. [Ant.] 3. For the Lord is a great God, and a great King a - bove all gods. 4. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his al - so. 5. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have mold - ed the dry land. [Ant.] 6. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Ma - ker. 7. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that today you would heark - en to his voice! [Ant.]

Venite ends here.

(Gloria Patri may be added)

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Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit:

As it was in the begin - ning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men. [Ant.]

The people sit.

Psalm 99

Dominus regnavit

The LORD is King;

let the people tremble; *

he is enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth shake.

2 The LORD is great in Zion; *

he is high above all peoples.

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and

awesome; *

he is the Holy One.

4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,

you have established equity; *

you have executed justice and righteousness in

Jacob."

5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God

and fall down before his footstool; *

he is the Holy One.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,

and Samuel among those who call upon his Name,

*

they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *

they kept his testimonies and the decree that he

gave them.

8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *

you were a God who forgave them,

yet punished them for their evil deeds.

9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God

and worship him upon his holy hill; *

for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

First Readings: Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the LORD, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

The LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I

know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The LORD'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the LORD continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

The people stand.

Canticle B: A Song of Pilgrimage

Spoken

Before I ventured forth,

even while I was very young, *

I sought wisdom openly in my prayer.

In the forecourts of the temple I asked for her, *

and I will seek her to the end.

From first blossom to early fruit, *

she has been the delight of my heart.

My foot has kept firmly to the true path, *

diligently from my youth have I pursued her.

I inclined my ear a little and received her; *

I found for myself much wisdom and became adept in her.

To the one who gives me wisdom will I give glory, *

for I have resolved to live according to her way.

From the beginning I gained courage from her, *

Ecclesiasticus 51:13-16,20b-22

therefore I will not be forsaken.
In my inmost being I have been stirred to seek her, *
therefore have I gained a good possession.

The people sit.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the
Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention
you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God
and Father your work of faith and labor of love and
steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we
know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has
chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you
not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit
and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of

The people stand.

Canticle M, A Song of Faith

Spoken

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, *
by divine mercy we have a new birth into a living hope;
Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, *
we have an inheritance that is imperishable in heaven.
The ransom that was paid to free us *

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So
they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying,
“Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in
accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not
regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful
to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice,
said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Homily

As my reward the Almighty has given me the gift of language,*
and with it will I offer praise to God.

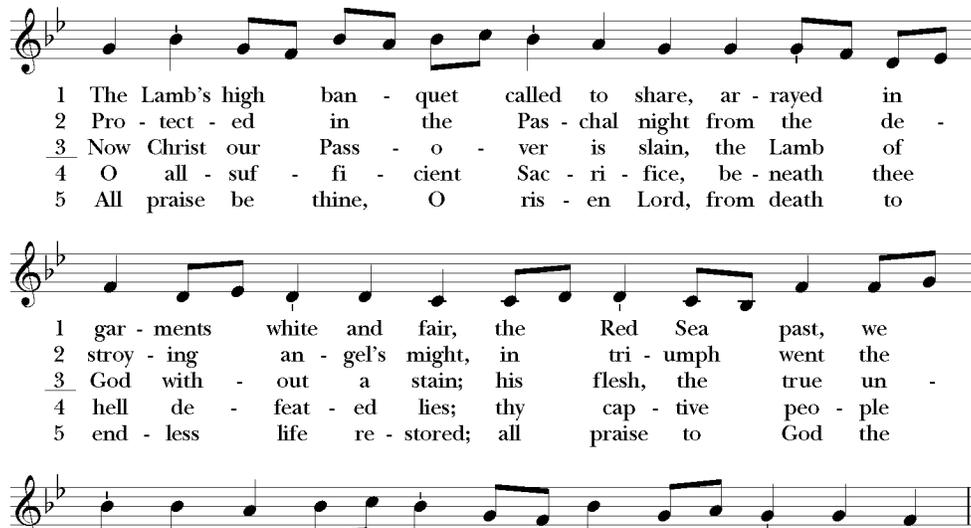
persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you
became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of
persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the
Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the
believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the
Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia
and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has
become known, so that we have no need to speak about it.
For the people of those regions report about us what kind
of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to
God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait
for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead--
Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

1 Peter 1:3-4,18-21

was not paid in silver or gold,
But in the precious blood of Christ, *
the Lamb without spot or stain.
God raised Jesus from the dead and gave him glory *
so that we might have faith and hope in God.

the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he
said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered,
“The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the
emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that
are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left
him and went away.

The Rev. Eric Litman



1 The Lamb's high ban - quet called to share, ar - rayed in
 2 Pro - tect - ed in the Pas - chal night from the de -
 3 Now Christ our Pass - o - ver is slain, the Lamb of
 4 O all - suf - fi - cient Sac - ri - fice, be - neath thee
 5 All praise be thine, O ris - en Lord, from death to

1 gar - ments white and fair, the Red Sea past, we
 2 stroy - ing an - gel's might, in tri - umph went the
 3 God with - out a stain; his flesh, the true un -
 4 hell de - feat - ed lies; thy cap - tive peo - ple
 5 end - less life re - stored; all praise to God the

1 now would sing to Je - sus our tri - um - phant King.
 2 ran - somed free from Pha - raoh's cru - el ty - ran - ny.
 3 lea - vened bread, is free - ly of - fered in our stead.
 4 are set free, and end - less life re - stored in thee.
 5 Fa - ther be and Ho - ly Ghost e - ter - nal - ly.

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The Apostles' Creed

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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.*

The Prayers

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray

All: **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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
 V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let your people sing with joy.
 V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
 V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
 V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
 V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
 V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Hymn 622, "Light's abode, celestial Salem"

Urbs beata Jerusalem



- 1 Light's a - bode, ce - les - tial Sa - lem, vi - sion whence true peace doth spring,
 2 There for ev - er and for ev - er al - le - lu - ia is out-poured;
 3 There no cloud nor pass-ing va - por dims the bright-ness of the air;
 * 4 O how glo - rious and re - splen - dent, fra - gile bo - dy, shalt thou be,
 5 Now with glad - ness, now with cour - age, bear the bur - den on thee laid,



- 1 bright - er than the heart can fan - cy, man - sion of the high - est King;
 2 for un - end - ing, for un - bro - ken is the feast - day of the Lord;
 3 end - less noon - day, glo - rious noon - day, from the Sun of suns is there;
 4 when en - dued with heav - en - ly beau - ty, full of health, and strong, and free,
 5 that here - af - ter these thy la - bors may with end - less gifts be paid,



- 1 O how glo - rious are the prais - es which of thee the pro - phets sing!
 2 all is pure and all is ho - ly that with - in thy walls is stored.
 3 there no night brings rest from la - bor, for un - known are toil and care.
 4 full of vi - gor, full of plea - sure that shall last e - ter - nal - ly!
 5 and in ev - er - last - ing glo - ry thou with bright - ness be ar - rayed.

Announcements

Intercessions and thanksgivings may follow.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

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All: Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*
Romans 15:13

Postlude: Toccata sopra Ad coenam Agni providi

Carlotta Ferrari

Participants in this Sunday's service:

Presider: The Rev. Eric Litman

Lector: Rhys Bowen

Music Director: Jeffrey Mills

Cantor:

Wardens: Rhys Bowen and Tim Strayer

Vestry Persons of the Day: Patty Schoeck (VP), Rhys Bowen

Usher: Alec Schoeck

Today's Women in Music

Harriet Auber (1773-1862) was an English poet and hymnist who published numerous hymns in a collection entitled *The Spirit of the Psalms*. The text of our first hymn is from that collection.

The postlude this morning, based on the tune of today's second hymn, is the work of Italian composer **Carlotta Ferrari** (b. 1975). She is a prolific composer of organ and choral music. Her works explore a variety of modal tonalities.



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