The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
12 July 2020
11 AM The Liturgy of the Word
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD
The Reverend Canon Steven Lee, Officiant
The Reverend Canon Patrick Malloy, Preacher
The Cathedral Choir & Chorale

OPENING VOLUNTARY
Oboe Concerto in C Minor Alessandro Marcello (1673–1747)
II. Adagio

Diane Lesser, oboe

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION
Officiant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.
1 We plow the fields, and scatter the good seed on the land, but it is fed and watered by God’s almighty hand; he sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain, the breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain. All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above; then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.

2 He only is the Maker of all things near and far; he paints the way-side flower, he lights the evening star; the winds and waves obey him, by him the birds are fed; much more to us, his children, he gives our daily bread. what thy love imparts, but chiefly thou desirest our humble thankful hearts.

3 We thank thee, then, O Father, for all things bright and good, the seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food: the gifts we have to offer are what thy love imparts, but chiefly thou desirest our humble thankful hearts.

Words: Matthias Claudius (1740–1815); tr. Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817–1878), alt.
Music: Wir Pflugen, Johann Abraham Peter Schulz (1747–1800)
THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

O LORD, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off. (55:10–13)

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.
Te decet hymnus

Lector You are to be praised, O God, in Zion;
People to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.

Lector To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come,
People because of their transgressions.

Lector Our sins are stronger than we are,
People but you will blot them out.

Lector Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there!
People they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
by the holiness of your temple.

Lector Awesome things will you show us
in your righteousness, O God of our salvation,
People O Hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the seas that are far away.

Lector You make fast the mountains by your power;
People they are girded about with might.

Lector You still the roaring of the seas,
People the roaring of their waves,
and the clamor of the peoples.

Lector Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
will tremble at your marvelous signs;
People you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.

Lector You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous;
People the river of God is full of water.

Lector You prepare the grain,
People for so you provide for the earth.

Lector You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
People with heavy rain you soften the ground and
bless its increase.

Lector You crown the year with your goodness,
People and your paths overflow with plenty.

Lector May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,
People and the hills be clothed with joy.

Lector May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;
People let them shout for joy and sing.
Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: “Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!”

“Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.” (13:1–9,18–23)

Preacher The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.
THE SERMON
The Reverend Canon Patrick Malloy
Sub-Dean & Canon for Liturgy and the Arts

ANTHEM

Giuseppe Pitoni (1657–1743)

CANTATE Domino canticum novum;
laus ejus in ecclesia sanctorum.
Lætetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum,
et filii Sion exsultent in rege suo.

Sing to God a new song;
sing praise in the congregation of the faithful.
Let the people of Israel rejoice in the One that made them;
let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.

Psalm 149:1–2

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
+ and the life of the world to come. Amen.
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The People are asked to pray for the Church, the nations and their leaders, those in need, and the dead.

After each petition, the People say

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Officiant concludes with a collect, and the People respond

Amen.

The weekly list of Cathedral intercessions may be found on page 11 of this leaflet.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Officiant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

Officiant and People

O UR 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.

THE BLESSING

The Officiant pronounces a blessing, and the People respond

Amen.
CLOSING HYMN

Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise, in
Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light, nor
To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small; in
Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light, thine

light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes, most
want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might; thy
all life thou liv - est, the true life of all; we
angels a - dore thee, all veiling their sight; all

bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days, al -
just - ice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove thy
blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree, then
laud we would ren - der: O help us to see 'tis

might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Verse 4 descant: Raymond Nagem (b. 1986)

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824–1908), alt.
Music: St. Denio, Welsh hymn, from Caniada y Cysegr; 1839; adapt. John Roberts (1822–1877); harm. The English Hymnal, 1906, alt.
Verse 4 descant: Raymond Nagem (b. 1986)
THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in C Minor, BWV 549 Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

Special thanks to Christ the King Episcopal Church, Stone Ridge, NY for use of their organ for this service.

Thanks to Jie Yi, Christopher Clowdus and Goura Rivera for producing the hymn videos.
ONLINE SERVICES
MONDAY–SATURDAY
8:30 AM  Morning Prayer
5:30 PM  Evening Prayer
Wednesday
8:30 PM  Compline
Sunday
11 AM    Liturgy of the Word

INTERCESSIONS
The Cathedral Community intends to pray the following
intercessions at all services in the course of the week. Congregants
are always invited to name their intercessions aloud during the
Prayers of the People.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the
Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea. In the New
York Diocesan Calendar of Intercession, we pray for the
Diocesan Director of Human Resources.

For all those who are sick or in distress or any trouble:
Elize Van Staden
Corlea Bush

For those who rest in Christ and for all the dead:
Alan Ogden
Martha Smith
Betty Rodgers Griffith

We lift up prayers of thanksgiving for:
The birth of Alayah Tucker

Prayers for Healthcare Professionals and Essential Workers:
Dr. James Marion
Dr. Becky Kowalski
Dr. Steven Nichols
Dr. Haydee C. Brown
Dr. Faye Reiff-Pasarew
Dr. Antonio Dajer
Dr. Anna Goddu Stanicsenko
All Hospital Chaplains
ONGOING PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

CATHEDRAL ONLINE RESOURCES

While the Cathedral is temporarily closed, our work transforms and continues. Please visit us online at stjohndivine.org for a full list of community resources and ways to stay connected. Messages from the Dean, information on streaming worship services, and contact information for Cathedral clergy are just a few of the ways we’re keeping active and engaged with our friends and neighbors.

CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY CARES (CCC)

SUNDAY SOUP KITCHEN

During this time, the CCC Soup Kitchen remains open each Sunday, serving bagged meals to those in need. For more information or to volunteer, contact Thomas Perry at tperry@stjohndivine.org. Your support and contributions are greatly appreciated as we continue to serve our most vulnerable community members.

THE CONGREGATION OF SAINT SAVIOUR

If you are interested in learning more about the Episcopal Church, the Cathedral’s Congregation of St. Saviour, or all the different ways to make the Cathedral your spiritual home, we would love to talk to you. Please contact the Vicar at slee@stjohndivine.org.

IMMIGRATION AND SANCTUARY RESOURCES

The Cathedral is a house of worship for all, regardless of immigration status. If you, or members of your family, community or parish, need assistance navigating life as an immigrant of any legal status, we hope to connect you with the resources you need. For information on upcoming programs and more resources from the city and Diocese, visit stjohndivine.org.

SERMONS ARCHIVE NOW ONLINE

Visit the Cathedral’s website to stream or download audio from past 11 AM Sunday Choral Eucharist sermons and listen on the go. Visit stjohndivine.org/worship/archive to listen and download.