

Team Eucharist Sunday 13 September 2020 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Gathering

Welcome and Introduction

Please remain seated throughout the entirety of the service until you are advised to move.

We meet in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Opening Hymn - Instrumental – no singing from the Congregation. "Come, Now is the Time to Worship"

The president introduces the service.

We have come together in the name of Christ, to offer our praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive God's Holy Word, to pray for the needs of the world, and to seek the forgiveness of our sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.

The president prays an opening prayer.

Almighty God, you Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us new hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Confession

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.



All: God our Father, long-suffering, full of grace and truth, you create us from nothing and give us life. You give your faithful people new life in the water of baptism. You do not turn your face from us, nor cast us aside. We confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbour. We have wounded your love and marred your image in us. Restore us for the sake of your Son, and bring us to heavenly joy, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We are assured of God's forgiveness.

May God of love and power

Forgive you and free you from your sins,

Heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,

And raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

The Collect of the Day

The president prays the Collect of the day. Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen

Ministry of the Word



We hear a reading from the Epistles.

By Shane Hopkins

The Epistle of Paul to the Romans 14:1-12

Do Not Judge Another

14 Welcome those who are weak in faith, [a] but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. ² Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³ Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴ Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord [b] is able to make them stand.

⁵ Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶ Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

⁷ We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸ If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹ For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

¹⁰ Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister?^[c] Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister?^[d] For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God.^[e] ¹¹ For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to [f] God."

¹² So then, each of us will be accountable to God. [g]

For the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



Hymn - Instrumental: Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet

Gospel Reading By Shane Hopkins

The Gospel reading is introduced.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. Matthew 18:21-35

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Forgiveness

²¹Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church^[a] sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' ²² Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven^[b] times.

The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

²³ 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. 24 When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents[c] was brought to him; 25 and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." 27 And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. 28 But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; [d] and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." 29 Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." 30 But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. 31 When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. 32 Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I



forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" ³⁴ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. ³⁵ So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister [e] from your heart.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

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A minister shares with us.

The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession
By Shane Hopkins



At the end. Merciful Father,

All: accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Peace

We remain seated
The president introduces the peace.

God is love and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

We remain seated.

Ministry of the Sacrament

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us; nourish your people with the word of life and the bread of heaven.

The Lord is here.

All: His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,



always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing Sabbath of the Lord.

And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Father, on the night before he died,
Jesus shared a meal with his friends.
He took the bread, and thanked you.
He broke it, and gave it to them, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine. He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you. This is my blood, the new promise of God's unfailing love. Do this to remember me.

Jesus Christ has died.

All: Jesus Christ has died.



Jesus Christ is risen.

All: Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ will come again.

All: Jesus Christ will come again.

Father, as we bring this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Spirit on us that we may love one another, work for the healing of the earth, and share the good news of Jesus, as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honour and praise belong to you, Father, with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit: one God, forever and ever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The president introduces the Lord's Prayer.

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

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,



the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Invitation to Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof, but only speak the word and my soul shall be healed.

The president receives Holy Communion in both kinds and invites those present and at home to make a spiritual communion.

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

The president prays the Post Communion prayer.

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Notices and Banns of Marriage

Notices are shared and Banns of Marriage may be read.

The Blessing and Dismissal



The president assures us of God's blessing

The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself, the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service, the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

Go on in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Our Final Hymn - Instrumental: "Praise My Soul the King of Heaven"

Please leave church following the direction arrows and please sanitise your hands as you leave. Holy Communion will be administered in one kind as you leave to those who wish to receive.

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