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July 16, 2023 - Morning Prayer - *Book of Alternative Services* **Season of Pentecost**

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Welcome

The Gloria

Notices

Gloria (clap, clap), Gloria (clap, clap),
 In excelsis Deo

Opening Sentence

Gloria (clap, clap), Gloria (clap, clap),
 In excelsis Deo

The word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it. Deuteronomy 30.14

Lord God, heavenly King,
 Peace you bring to us;
 We worship you, we give you thanks,
 We sing our song of praise.

Opening Hymn #22 (GB) O Christ, The Word
 Incarnate

Jesus, savior of all,
 Lord God, Lamb of God,
 You take away our sin, O Lord,
 Have mercy on us all.

The Gathering of the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you

At the Father's right hand,
 Lord, receive our prayer,
 For you alone are the Holy One
 And you alone are Lord.

Almighty God,
 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.

Glory Father and Son,
 Glory Holy Spirit,
 To you we raise our hands up high,
 We glorify your name.

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

1st Reading - Genesis 25:19-34

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm - Psalm 119:105-112

119:105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

119:106 I have sworn an oath and confirmed it, to observe your righteous ordinances.

119:107 I am severely afflicted; give me life, O LORD, according to your word.

119:108 Accept my offerings of praise, O LORD, and teach me your ordinances.

119:109 I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law.

119:110 The wicked have laid a snare for me, but I do not stray from your precepts.

119:111 Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.

119:112 I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

Gracious creator of heaven and earth, your Word has come among us as the true Sun of righteousness, and the good news of his birth has gone out to the ends of the world. Open our

eyes to the light of your law, that we may be purified from sin and serve you without reproach for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Light and our Life. **Amen**

2nd Reading - Romans 8:1-11

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Gradual Hymn - #96 (GB) Sent forth by God's blessing

The Gospel - Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
According to ...

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

The Reflection - Joann Husak - How do we make ourselves into good soil?

Affirmation of Faith -

The Apostles' Creed

**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.**

Prayers for the Community

Additional intercessions, petitions and thanksgivings may be offered in silence or aloud. Among these concerns it is appropriate to remember • the persecuted • the oppressed peoples of the world; • all who are lonely; • all who are near to death and • all who are facing loss.

Creator God,
you call us to love and serve you
with body, mind, and spirit
through loving your creation
and our sisters and brothers.
Open our hearts in compassion
and receive these petitions
on behalf of the needs of the church and
the world

O Lord, guard and direct your Church in
the way of unity,
service, and praise.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Give to all nations an awareness of the
unity of the human
family.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and
selfishness, and inspire us
to hunger and thirst for what is right.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach us to use your creation for your
greater praise, that all
may share the good things you provide.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Strengthen all who give their energy or
skill for the healing of
those who are sick in body or in mind.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Set free all who are bound by fear and
despair.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to
all who are dying, and
your comfort to those who mourn.
Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.

Holy One,
hear our prayers and make us faithful
stewards
of the fragile bounty of this earth
so that we may be entrusted with the
riches of heaven. **Amen.**

Confession & Absolution -

Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in
mercy;
he welcomes sinners
and invites them to his table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God,
**We confess that we have sinned
against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole
heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as
ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly
repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen**

Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all
goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Peace -

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Offertory Hymn #345 (CP) King of Glory, King of Peace

Doxology - 666 (CP)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise Gods above ye Heavenly Host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

The Prayer Over the Gifts -

Father, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord.. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

**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.**

Doxology

Glory to God,
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.**

Sunday School

Closing Hymn -#130 (GB) Give Me Oil

Dismissal -

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Go Forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
And be what you are, the church in the World. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**
Alleluia!

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