

# PENTECOST 2 / HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY

June 6, 2021

Organ Prelude: Prelude in D minor

J. S. Bach

Welcome, Announcements & Worship Theme

## CALL TO WORSHIP:

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,  
or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;  
<sup>2</sup> but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on God's law they meditate day and  
night. (Ps. 1:1-2)

**We come to worship, O God, as those seeking greater happiness and greater delight  
in life.**

Happy are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Matt. 5:1)

**We come to worship, O God, often feeling impoverished in spirit and in need of  
greater fullness, greater justice, greater peace and consolation.**

**ALL: Come to us this hour, O God, and fill us with new faith and hope in the fullness  
of your love!**

Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful we adore you" (arr. by Bruce Nasmith)

No. 410

*soloists Anna Bateman, Elias Theocharidis with organist Bruce Nasmith*

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore you,  
God of glory, Lord of love.  
Hearts unfold like flowers before you,  
opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
drive the dark of doubt away;  
giver of immortal gladness,  
fill us with the light of day.

2. All your works with joy surround you;  
earth and heaven reflect your rays;  
stars and angels sing around you,  
centre of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird and flowing fountain,  
join to praise you joyfully.

3. You are giving and forgiving,  
ever blessing, ever blessed,  
well-spring of the joy of living,  
ocean depth of happy rest.  
God Creator, Christ our Saviour,  
all are yours who live in love.  
Teach us how to love our neighbour;  
lift us to your joy above.

4. Morning stars, awake the chorus;  
mortals, join with every part,  
for what joy is set before us  
as Christ's love joins heart to heart!  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
victors in the midst of strife;  
joyful music leads us sunward  
in the triumph song of life.

### Prayer of Approach and Confession

The Peace of Christ be with you all;  
**And also with you.**

### Children's Theme for Church School

Special Music: "Where are the children"

Bruce Nasmith

*performed by soloist and guitarist Bruce Nasmith*

Scripture Readings: Psalm 1, Matthew 5:1-12

### Psalm 1

<sup>1</sup> Happy are those  
who do not follow the advice of the wicked,  
or take the path that sinners tread,  
or sit in the seat of scoffers;  
<sup>2</sup> but their delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and on God's law they meditate day and night.  
<sup>3</sup> They are like trees  
planted by streams of water,  
which yield their fruit in its season,  
and their leaves do not wither.  
In all that they do, they prosper.  
<sup>4</sup> The wicked are not so,  
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.  
<sup>5</sup> Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement,  
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;  
<sup>6</sup> for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish.

Matthew 5:1-12

5 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup> Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

3 'Blessed or happy are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 'Blessed or happy are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

5 'Blessed or happy are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

6 'Blessed or happy are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

7 'Blessed or happy are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

8 'Blessed or happy are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

9 'Blessed or happy are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

10 'Blessed or happy are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 'Blessed or happy are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

We are listening, O God;

**Speak to us!**

Sermon:

HAPPINESS

Dr. Harris

Special Music: "Lead me Lord"

Samuel Wesley

*soloists Joanne Nasmith, Erin Stone, Bruce Nasmith and Jim Nasmith*



Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving & the Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

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**Christ has died!**

**Christ is risen!**

**Christ will come again! Hallelujah!**

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**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, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Sharing of Bread and Wine

Prayer after Communion:

**Thank you for bread and wine, O God, but thank you also, for awakening our hearts to delight in meditating on your law of love and justice, righteousness and truth. May our eating and drinking fill us up with renewed commitment, clarity and a taste for a different path to happiness than the external goods of this world can provide. May our solidarity with all those who have suffered injustice, particularly the survivors of residential schools and the memory of the children who died there neglected, abused and alone, clarify for us the journey ahead we must face collectively for genuine healing and wholeness to come. We pray this in the name of the one who was crucified alongside all the discarded of the world; Amen.**

# Hymn: "Blest are they"

No. 624

*soloists Anna Bateman and Elias Theocharidis with pianist Bruce Nasmith*

1. Blest are they, the poor in spirit;  
theirs is the kingdom of God.  
Blest are they, full of sorrow,  
they shall be consoled.

## **Refrain:**

**Rejoice and be glad!**

**Blessed are you; holy are you!**

**Rejoice and be glad!**

**Yours is the Kingdom of God!**

2. Blest are they, the lowly ones;  
they shall inherit the earth.  
Blest are they, who hunger and thirst;  
they shall have their fill. **(Refrain)**

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Organ Postlude: Fugue in D minor

J. S. Bach

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