

8:00AM DIVINE SERVICE

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Third Sunday after Pentecost 26 June 2022

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and giving it to an usher or placing into the offering plate.

AS WE GATHER

When you feel all alone, remember this: you are not alone. First, you are not alone in feeling that way. In today's Old Testament Reading, you will see how even Elijah, the mighty prophet of God, felt all alone. "I, even I only, am left!" he exclaimed (1 Kings 19:10). That was his honest feeling; however, it wasn't true. The Lord revealed to Elijah that He had not abandoned His prophet, even reassuring Elijah of this by providing Elisha as his helper in proclaiming the Word of the Lord. God's presence and provision in Elijah's life reassured him of his divine purpose, and the same is true for you! Even when you may think or feel that you are alone, you are not! God's presence and provision, which you will receive yet again today, reassure you of this! Jesus is with you! He loves you! And He sends His Spirit into your life to give you His purpose and direction, reminding you that you belong to Him!

PRELUDE "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

arr. Todd Kendall

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN "Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways"

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♣ SERVICE of PREPARATION **♣**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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INVOCATION (Stand)

Matthew 28:19b; [18-20]

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

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C Amen.

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- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord

C who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- **C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment.

But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- G Amen. John 20:19-23

Ḥ SERVICE of the WORD ℍ

INTROIT

Psalm 85:8–10, 13; antiphon: v. 7

- **P** Show us Your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us Your salvation.
- Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
- P for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints; but let them not turn back to folly.
- Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.
- P Steadfast love and faithfulness meet:
- c righteousness and peace kiss each other.
- P Righteousness will go before Him and make His footsteps a way.
- and make His footsteps a way.

Glory be 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.

- P Show us Your steadfast love, O LORD,
- and grant us Your salvation.

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The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and H give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN "Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I Go"

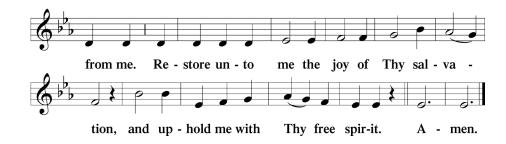
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POSTLUDE — LOVE UNKNOWN

arr. Noel Rawsthorne

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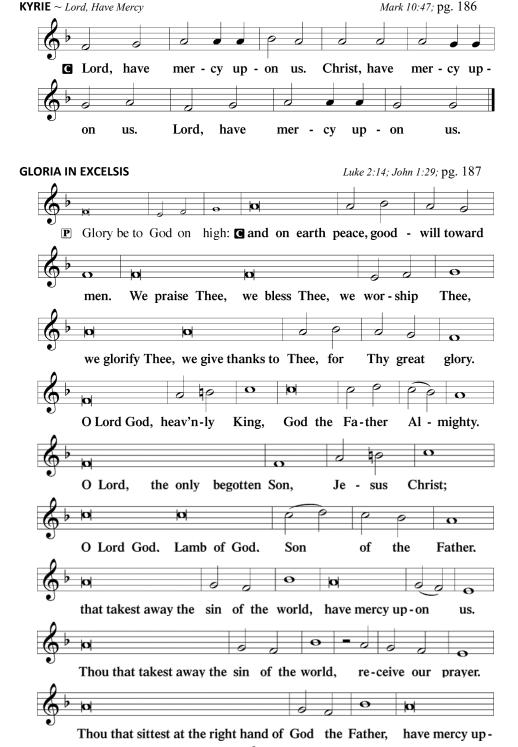
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

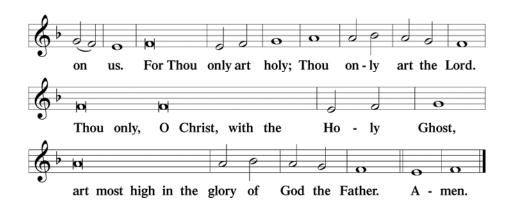
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P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have created us in Your image and called us into fellowship with Your Son, Jesus Christ, by the power of Your Holy Spirit. Help us to know that You are always with us—guiding our steps, providing for our lives, hearing our prayers, and answering us in ways that are for our good and that bring glory to Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

- hear our prayer and receive our thanks for Your presence in our lives.
- P You reign over all the universe as King of kings and Lord of lords! In You, Lord Jesus, all things are held together. In You, Lord Jesus, we live and move and have our being. You provide well for all those who belong to You. Grant us hearts to receive Your Word, hands to extend Your love to others, and feet to walk by Your Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer and receive our thanks for Your provision in our lives.
- P Holy Spirit, when we feel lost and alone, remind us of Your never-failing love. Instill in us the readiness to be led by You in the purpose that You give to all who follow Jesus Christ. Send Your Church out into every corner of the world to proclaim the Good News of life and salvation in our Savior's death and resurrection. Until the day He comes again, grant that we never grow tired of sharing the Gospel with our neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer and receive our thanks for Your purpose in our lives.
- Merciful Lord, we pray Your blessing upon all who lead and govern us, for all who protect us from harm and danger, and for all who work for the well-being of our communities, our state, and our nation. Grant that Your presence and provision be known in our families and in the lives of our children. Remind those who are homebound, hospitalized, or ailing in any way that they are never alone, for You are always with them.... Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Into Your faithful hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all those for whom we pray, ever trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.





SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

2 Timothy 4:22; pg. 189

P The Lord be with you.



Let us pray...Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name and nourish us with all goodness that we may love and serve our neighbor; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



OLD TESTAMENT READING

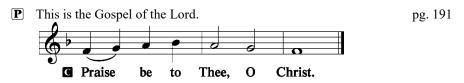
1 Kings 19:9b-21

(Elijah listens to God's Word and receives His provision.)

Behold, the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], and He said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, thrown down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." ¹¹And He said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹²And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. ¹³And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, thrown down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with

village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for Him. ⁵³But the people did not receive Him, because His face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴And when His disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵But He turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶And they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to Him, "I will follow You wherever You go." ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head." ⁵⁹To another He said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." ⁶⁰And Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Yet another said, "I will follow You, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶²Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."



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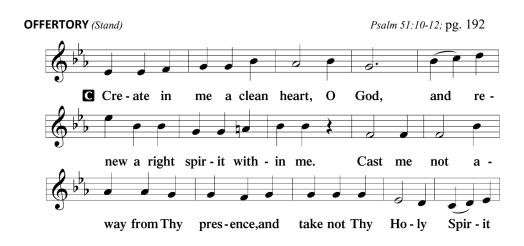
HYMN OF THE DAY "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake"

SERMON

OFFERING "Come Unto Me, Ye Weary"

Victor Hildner

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Galatians 5:1, 13–25

(The fruit of the Spirit is present in those who belong to Christ Jesus.)

¹For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. . . .

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

¹⁶But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and VERSE (Stand)

Luke 9:51



- L Alleluia.
 - When the days drew near for Him to be taken up,
- He set His face to go to Jerusalem.
 Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 9:51-62

(Jesus sets His face toward Jerusalem and calls His followers to purposefully proclaim the kingdom of God.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 9th chapter.



⁵¹When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, He set His face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And He sent messengers ahead of Him, who went and entered a

the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." ¹⁵And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. ¹⁶And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. ¹⁷And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. ¹⁸Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

¹⁹So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. ²⁰And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" ²¹And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM (T

(The Lord is my portion and my cup.)

Psalm 16

- L Preserve me, O God, for in You I take refuge.
- I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from You."
- L As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.
- The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;
- L their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.
- The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; You hold my lot.
- L The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.
- I bless the LORD Who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.
- I have set the LORD always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
- Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.
- For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let Your holy one see corruption.
- C You make known to me the path of life;
- **L** in Your presence there is fullness of joy;
- **C** at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Glory be 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.