The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28th, 2020

The Liturgy of the Word: Rite 2

Vestry Announcements

Procession Hymn **Blessed Be Your Name - Matt Redman**

Blessed Be Your Name, in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow, Blessed be Your name

Blessed Be Your name, when I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness, Blessed Be Your name

Every blessing You pour out, I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord, Still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name, when the sun's shining down on me
When the world's 'all as it should be', Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name, on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering, Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord...

Salutation, Collect for Purity BCP page 355

Gloria:

 **Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory in the highest.**

 **Glory to God, Glory to God, Alleluia, Alleluia** (repeat)

 Collect of the Day BCP page 230

The Lessons: Genesis 22:1-14

Psalm 13

Romans 6:12-23

The Sequence Hymn **The Church's One Foundation, #525**

1 The Church's one foundation

is Jesus Christ her Lord;

she is his new creation

by water and the word:

from heaven he came and sought her

to be his holy bride;

with his own blood he bought her,

and for her life he died.

2 Elect from every nation,

yet one o'er all the earth,

her charter of salvation,

one Lord, one faith, one birth;

one holy Name she blesses,

partakes one holy food,

and to one hope she presses,

with every grace endued.

3 Though with a scornful wonder

men see her sore oppressed,

by schisms rent asunder,

by heresies distressed;

yet saints their watch are keeping,

their cry goes up, "How long?"

and soon the night of weeping

shall be the morn of song.

4 Mid toil and tribulation,

and tumult of her war

she waits the consummation

of peace for evermore;

till with the vision glorious

her longing eyes are blessed,

and the great Church victorious

shall be the Church at rest.

5 Yet she on earth hath union

with God, the Three in One,

and mystic sweet communion

with those whose rest is won.

O happy ones and holy!

Lord, give us grace that we

like them, the meek and lowly,

on high may dwell with thee.

The Gospel Matthew 10:40-42

The Sermon The Rev. Canon Dr. A. Gordon Okunsanya

The Nicene Creed BCP page 358

Prayers of the People (Form V ) BCP page 389

Confession of Sin BCP page 360

The Lord’s Prayer

Prayers for Birthdays and Anniversaries

The Blessing

A Chorus 

A prayer attributed to St Teresa:

*Christ has no body now but yours,*

*No hands, no feet on earth but yours;*

*Yours are the eyes through which He looks with*

*compassion on this world.*

*Christ has no body now on Earth but yours.*

Dismissal

**Old Testament**

**Genesis**

God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.” So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.” Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, “Father!” And he said, “Here I am, my son.” He said, “The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” Abraham said, “God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place “The Lord will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.”

**The Word of the Lord**

**The Response**

**Psalm 13**

***Usquequo, Domine?***

1 How long, O Lord?
will you forget me for ever? \*
how long will you hide your face from me?

2 How long shall I have perplexity in my mind,
and grief in my heart, day after day? \*
how long shall my enemy triumph over me?

3 Look upon me and answer me, O Lord my God; \*
give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;

4 Lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him," \*
and my foes rejoice that I have fallen.

5 But I put my trust in your mercy; \*
my heart is joyful because of your saving help.

6 I will sing to the Lord, for he has dealt with me richly; \*
I will praise the Name of the Lord Most High.

**The Epistle**

**Romans 6:12-23**

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**The Word of the Lord**

**The Gospel**

**Matthew 10:40-42**

Jesus said, “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”