

**A morning service during the Covid-19 restrictions
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost - September 20, 2020**

#144 Glorious things of thee are spoken

**Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode.
On the rock of ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded, thou mayest smile at all thy foes.**

**See! The streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage -
grace, which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.**

**Saviour, if of Zion's city I through grace a member am,
let the world deride or pity, I will glory in thy name.
Fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show:
solid joys and lasting treasure none by Zion's children know.**

John Newton 1725-1897 based on Isaiah 33:20,21

The Lord is in his holy temple: O come, let us worship.

Venite Psalm 95.1-7

**Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great king above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his for he made it, *
and his hands have moulded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our maker.
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Psalm for the day Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

The Readings for the day: Exodus 16:2-15, Philippians 1:21-30, Matthew 20:1-16

A reflection on the readings (see attached - written by the Ven. Glen Miller)

#294 Take my life

**Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet, and let them be swift and purposeful for thee.**

**Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee;
take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.**

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love: my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Frances Ridley Havergal 1836-1879

Hear, O Israel

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your mind, and with all your strength.

This is the first and the great commandment, the second is like it:

Love your neighbour as you love yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.

Prayers (see litany below)

Please remember Karen, Geri, Doe, Thelma, the Anzil household, nursing homes, those coping with treatments and scheduled surgeries, the people of Lebanon, plans to re-open our worship services in September, parents who are concerned about school opening.

The Collect for the day

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

#269 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.

I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand.

Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more,
feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.

Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

William Williams 1716-1791, translated by Peter Williams 1723-1796

Dismissal

Then may be said or sung,

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. **People** Thanks be to God!

Litany #1

(In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord have mercy")

For peace from on high and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For our bishops, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For Elizabeth our Queen, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For this city and for every city and community, and for those who live in them in faith, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For good weather, and for abundant harvests for all to share, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel by land, water, or air, for the sick and the suffering (insert names), for prisoners and captives, and for their safety, health, and salvation, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offences, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died (insert names), let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

Remembering all the saints, we commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our God, To you, O God.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfil now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

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