

Holyrood Episcopal Church

Morning Prayer

Date: Monday, May 18, 2020
Church Day: Sixth Monday of Easter (Year A)

Psalm 80 : *Qui regis Israel*

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; * // **shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.**
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, * // **stir up your strength and come to help us.**
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; * // **show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**
- 4 O LORD God of hosts, * // **how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?**
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; * // **you have given them bowls of tears to drink.**
- 6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, * // **and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; * // **show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**
- 8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; * // **you cast out the nations and planted it.**
- 9 You prepared the ground for it; * // **it took root and filled the land.**
- 10 The mountains were covered by its shadow * // **and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.**
- 11 You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea * // **and its branches to the River.**
- 12 Why have you broken down its wall, * // **so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?**
- 13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, * // **and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.**
- 14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; * // **preserve what your right hand has planted.**
- 15 They burn it with fire like rubbish; * // **at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.**
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, * // **the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.**
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; * // **give us life, that we may call upon your Name.**
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; * // **show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

Reading 1: Leviticus 25:35-55 (NRSV)

The LORD spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai, saying: If any of your kin fall into difficulty and become dependent on you, you shall support them; they shall live with you as though resident aliens. Do not take interest in advance or otherwise make a profit from them, but fear your God; let them live with you. You shall not lend them your money at interest taken in advance, or provide them food at a profit. I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan, to be your God. If any who are dependent on you become so impoverished that they sell themselves to you, you shall not make them serve as slaves. They shall remain with you as hired or bound laborers. They shall serve with you until the year of the jubilee. Then they and their children with them shall be free from your authority; they shall go back to their own family and return to their ancestral property. For they are my servants, whom I brought out of the land of Egypt; they shall not be sold as slaves are sold. You shall not rule over them with harshness, but shall fear your God. As for the male and female slaves whom you may have, it is from the nations around you that you may acquire male and female slaves.

You may also acquire them from among the aliens residing with you, and from their families that are with you, who have been born in your land; and they may be your property. You may keep them as a possession for your children after you, for them to inherit as property. These you may treat as slaves, but as for your fellow Israelites, no one shall rule over the other with harshness. If resident aliens among you prosper, and if any of your kin fall into difficulty with one of them and sell themselves to an alien, or to a branch of the alien's family, after they have sold themselves they shall have the right of redemption; one of their brothers may redeem them, or their uncle or their uncle's son may redeem them, or anyone of their family who is of their own flesh may redeem them; or if they prosper they may redeem themselves. They shall compute with the purchaser the total from the year when they sold themselves to the alien until the jubilee year; the price of the sale shall be applied to the number of years: the time they were with the owner shall be rated as the time of a hired laborer. If many years remain, they shall pay for their redemption in proportion to the purchase price; and if few years remain until the jubilee year, they shall compute thus: according to the years involved they shall make payment for their redemption. As a laborer hired by the year they shall be under the alien's authority, who shall not, however, rule with harshness over them in your sight. And if they have not been redeemed in any of these ways, they and their children with them shall go free in the jubilee year. For to me the people of Israel are servants; they are my servants whom I brought out from the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

Canticle 09: The First Song of Isaiah (*Ecce, Deus*)

ISAIAH 12:2-6

"Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *

and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *

from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; *

see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *

and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *

for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

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."

Reading 2: Colossians 1:9-14 (NRSV)

For this reason, since the day we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and your love for all the saints, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Canticle 19 : The Song of the Redeemed (*Magna et mirabilia*)

REVELATION 15:3-4

**"O ruler of the universe, Lord God,
great deeds are they that you have done, *
surpassing human understanding.
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, *
O King of all the ages. Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,
and sing the praises of your Name? *
for you only are the holy One.
All nations will draw near and fall down before you, *
because your just and holy works have been revealed.
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."**

Reading 3: Matthew 13:1-16 (NRSV)

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!" Then the disciples came and asked him, "Why do you speak to them in parables?" He answered, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. For to those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. The reason I speak to them in parables is that 'seeing they do not perceive, and hearing they do not listen, nor do they understand.' With them indeed is fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah that says: 'You will indeed listen, but never understand, and you will indeed look, but never perceive. For this people's heart has grown dull, and their ears are hard of hearing, and they have shut their eyes; so that they might not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and understand with their heart and turn—and I would heal them.' But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear."

Collect: Sixth Sunday of Easter, Rite Two

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

La Colecta: Sexto Domingo de Pascua

Oh Dios, tú has preparado para los que te aman cosas tan buenas que sobrepasan nuestro entendimiento: Infunde en nuestros corazones tal amor hacia ti, que, amándote en todo y sobre todas las cosas, obtengamos tus promesas, que exceden todo lo que podemos anhelar; por Jesucristo tu Hijo nuestro Señor, que vive y reina contigo y el Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos. **Amén.**