

Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 14, 2020



St. Alban's
Episcopal Church

Our Mission: *We are called by the Spirit to be transformed by God in heart and mind, to serve our community, UCLA, and the world as the Body of Christ. We will grow in faith, hope and love through the practices of worship, formation, compassion and hospitality.*

Prelude

Sinfonia from Cantata “Gottes Zeit ist die allerbeste Zeit”

J. S. Bach

Opening Hymn

Lift Every Voice and Sing

1 Lift ev-ery voice and sing till earth and hea - ven ring, ring with the
2 Ston-y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas-tening rod, felt in the
3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears, thou who hast

har - mon - ies of lib - er - ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise
days when hope un - born had died; yet, with a stead - y beat,
brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might

high as the lis - tening skies; let it re - sound loud as the
have not our wea - ry feet come to the place for which our
led us in - to the light; keep us for ev - er in the

roll - ing sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has
 par - ents sighed? We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been
 path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the pla - ces, our God, where we

taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has
 wa - tered; we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the
 met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for -

brought us; fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new
 slaugh - tered, out from the gloom - y past, till now we
 get thee; sha-dowed be - neath thy hand may we for

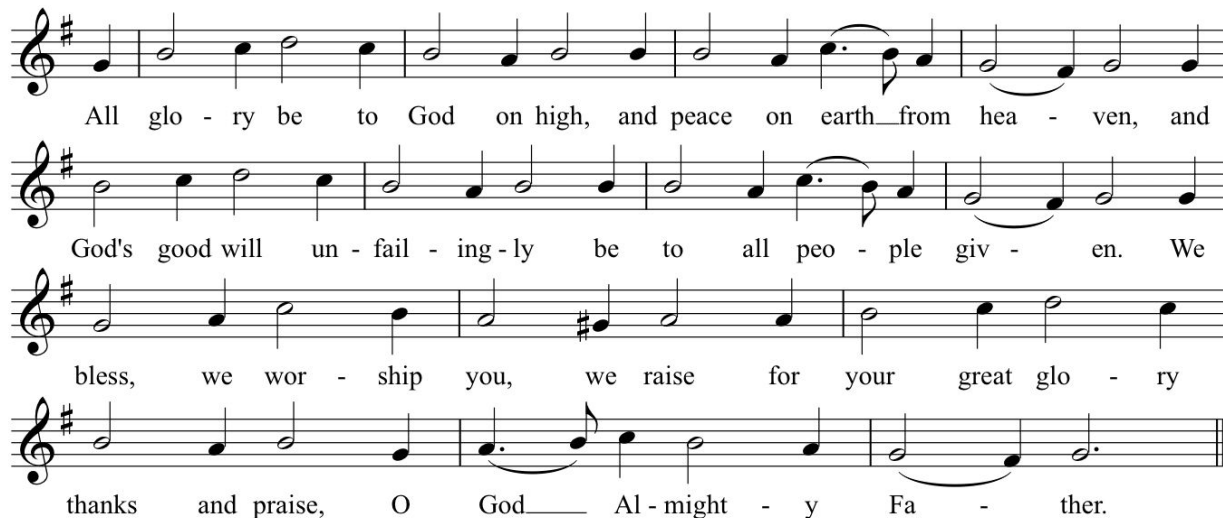
day be - gun, let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.
 stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
 ev - er stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Gloria



All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from hea - ven, and
God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be to all peo - ple giv - en. We
bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for your great glo - ry
thanks and praise, O God — Al - might - y Fa - ther.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading *Genesis 18:1-15*

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will

return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.” But Sarah denied, saying, “I did not laugh”; for she was afraid. He said, “Oh yes, you did laugh.”

The Second Reading *Romans 5:1-8*

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

The Gospel



Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew (9:35-10:8).

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Sermon

The Rev. Yein E. Kim

Musical Meditation Recitative from “Cantata”
(arrangement of African-American Spiritual)
Wendy Caldwell, soprano

John Daniels Carter

Sometimes I feel like a motherless child...
A long way from home.

Sometimes I feel like I’m almost gone...
A long way from home.

True believer,
A long way from home,
A long way from home.

The Nicene Creed

Reader: Let us join in affirming our faith, using the words of the Nicene Creed.

People: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Adapted from *Intercessions for Christian People*

Reader: In the power of God’s new life, revealed in the Risen Lord, we pray to the Lord.
O God, you have blessed with faith those who see your presence in the wounded hands and feet of Jesus. You have also blessed with faith those who have not seen, yet believe your Gospel. We

give you thanks for the faith you have given us, and we pray that we may share with---and be—the good news for people everywhere. Lord in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: Turn the eyes of the leaders of the nations to envision a new world in which swords are turned into plowshares, and where justice reigns.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: As the earliest Christians held all things in common, and shared their abundance with the needy, give us the spirit of generosity in all things. Help us to overcome hunger and homelessness among the human family. Lord in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: For prisoners and hostages, for those seeking justice, for those in mental anguish, for the sick and suffering, especially for all victims of the coronavirus pandemic, for their families, and for all front line care givers. Lord in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: For the leaders of the Church; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for John and Diane, our Bishops; for Yein, our Rector; for the vestry, staff, and leaders of our congregation. Lord in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: For all who have died and for all who grieve, that in Christ who has triumphed over death, they may find light perpetual and eternal love. Lord in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: God of all power and love,
we give thanks for your unfailing presence
and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss.
Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire.
Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world:
a people who pray, worship, learn,
break bread, share life, heal neighbors,
bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit.
Wherever and however we gather,
unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission,
that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Anthem O Breath of Life

Pepper Choplin

O breath of life, come sweeping through,
Revive your church with life and power,
O breath of life, come cleanse, renew,
Prepare our lives to meet this hour.

O breath of love, come breathe within,
Renewing mind and will and heart;
Come, love of Christ, teach us to love,
Revive Your church in every part.

Revive, revive, revive...
O wind of God, move through your church,
Come bend and break as to Your will;
Then by Your tenderness remold;
That as You break us, come remake us,
Remake us, as Your own.

O heart of Christ, broken for us,
In You we find our strength and rest;
receive our hearts, broken and weak,
And let Your waiting church be blest.

Revive us, Lord, why are we still,
When harvest fields are vast and white?
Revive us, Lord, the world awaits;
Raise up Your church to spread the Light!

O breath of life,
O breath of love,
O wind of God...
Breathe within our hearts.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
People: **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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Closing Hymn *Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the
 2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my
 3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my
 4. Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther,
 5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing; "I am

sick and preach the word." Lest the church ne -
 name bap - tize and teach." That the world may
 bod - y, this my blood." Let us all, for
 what they do, for - give." Yet we hoard as
 with you to the end." Faith and hope and

glect its mis - sion, and the gos - pel go un -
 trust your prom - ise, life a - bun - dant meant for
 earth's true glo - ry, dai - ly lift life heav - en -
 pri - vate trea - sure all that you so free - ly
 love re - stor - ing, may we serve as you in -

heard, help us wit - ness to your pur - pose
 each, give us all new fer - vor, draw us
 ward, ask - ing that the world a - round us
 give. May your care and mer - cy lead us
 tend and, a - mid the cares that claim us,

Refrain

with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty. }
 clos - er in com - mun - i - ty. }
 share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty. } With the Spir - it's
 to a just so - ci - e - ty. }
 hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty. }

gifts em - power us for the work of min - is - try.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**