

*St. Alban's Episcopal Church  
10th Sunday In Pentecost*



*August 9, 2020*

**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** Chorale Prelude on *Nun lasst uns Gott dem Herren Dank sagen*

Johann Pachelbel

**Opening Hymn** *In Christ There is No East or West*

In Christ there is no East or West, In Him no South or North; But  
In Him shall true hearts ev - ery - where their high com - mun - ion find; His  
Join hands, di - ci - ples of the faith, What e're your race may be! Who  
In Christ now meet both East and West, In Him meet South and North; All

one great fel - low - ship of love, Through - out the whole wide earth.  
ser - vice is the gold - en cord Close bind - ing hu - man kind.  
serves my Fa - ther as a son Is sure - ly kin to me.  
Christ - ly souls are one in him Through - out the whole wide earth.

*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.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The First Reading *Genesis 37:1-4,12-28*

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" —that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,  
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

### The Gospel



*Gospel Reader:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew (14:22-33)  
*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?”

When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

*Gospel Reader:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.



## The Sermon

The Rev. Yein E Kim

## Musical Meditation How Beautiful are the Feet

G. F. Handel

Wendy Caldwell, *soprano*

How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace,  
and bring glad tidings of good things. (*Isaiah 52: 7; Romans 10: 15*)

## 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 Jesus Calls Us

**Joy Patterson**

Jesus calls us o'er the tumult  
Of our life's wild, restless, sea;  
Day by day His sweet voice soundeth,  
Saying, "Christian, follow Me!"

Jesus calls us from the worship  
Of the vain world's golden store,  
From each idol that would keep us,  
Saying, "Christian, love Me more!"

In our joys and in our sorrows,  
Days of toil and hours of ease,  
Still He calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love Me more than these!"

Jesus calls us! By Thy mercies,  
Savior, may we hear Thy call,  
Give our hearts to Thine obedience,  
Serve and love Thee best of all.

## 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 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me  
 2. When my way grows drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger  
 3. When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws

stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;  
 near, when my life is al - most gone;  
 near, and the day is past and gone;

— through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the  
 — hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand, lest I  
 — at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my

light, take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me on.  
 fall, take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me on.  
 hand, take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me on.

The Dismissal

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

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**