

Sunday 25th June, 2023 11.00 am

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome & Intimations

Call to Worship

Hymn 677 In the name of Christ we gather,

- 1 In the name of Christ we gather,
in the name of Christ we sing,
as we celebrate the promise
of your servant's offering,
here ordained to lead God's people
at the Gospel's beckoning.
- 2 Sons and daughters of the Spirit,
we are called to teach and care,
called as were the first disciples,
Christ's own ministry to share,
and in bread and wine and water
sacraments of grace declare.
- 3 In our preaching, praying, caring
may your word spring into life;
in our time of doubt and challenge,
may its truth affirm belief;
and in days of pain and darkness,
may it heal our guilt and grief.
- 4 Word of joy, enlivening Spirit,
more than lover, parent, friend,
born in Jesus, born in Mary,
born in us, that love extend,
grow within your chosen servant(s),
life of God that has no end!

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Approach and Confession

St. Matthew 10:40-42

Address: Growing & Learning

Hymn 204 I am the Church! You are the Church!

<i>I am the church!</i>	<i>(With your thumb, point to yourself)</i>
<i>You are the church!</i>	<i>(Point to you partner)</i>
<i>We are the church together!</i>	<i>(Shake hands)</i>
<i>All who follow Jesus,</i>	<i>(Reach out with both hands)</i>
<i>All around the world,</i>	<i>(Circle arms over head)</i>
<i>Yes, we're the church together.</i>	<i>(Link arms)</i>

- 1 The church is not a building, the church is not a steeple.
The church is not a resting place, the church is a people!
Chorus
- 2 We're many kinds of people with many kinds of faces:
All colours and all ages, too, from all times and places.
Chorus
- 3 Sometimes the church is marching, sometimes it's bravely burning,
Sometimes it's riding, sometimes hiding. Always it's learning!
Chorus
- 4 And when the people gather there's singing and there's praying,
There's laughing and there's crying sometimes, all of it saying:
Chorus
- 5 At Pentecost some people received the Holy Spirit
And told the good news through all the world to all who would hear it.
Chorus
- 6 I count if I am ninety, or nine, or just a baby;
There's one thing I am sure about and I don't mean maybe:
Chorus

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St. Luke 9:51-62

Address: *Following*

Hymn 251 I, the Lord of the sea and sky,

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin
My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them,
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*
Daniel L. Schutte(b.1947)

Address: *Building together*

The Offering (& Sung Doxology: Hymn 807)

Prayer of Intercession & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 739 The Church's one foundation

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 Called forth from every nation,
yet one through all the earth;
her charter of salvation-
one Lord, one faith, one birth:
one holy name she blesses,
and shares one holy food;
as to one hope she presses
with every grace endued.

3 In 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;
at last the church victorious
shall be the church at rest!

4 Yet she on earth has 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.

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Benediction

Choral Amen (3-fold)