

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2023 11.00 am

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome & Intimations

Introit

Call to Worship

**Hymn 457 All hail the power of Jesus' name**

- 1 All hail the power of Jesus' name  
let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem,  
and crown him Lord of all.
- 2 Crown him, you martyrs of your God,  
who from his altar call;  
praise him whose path of pain you trod  
and crown him Lord of all.
- 3 Let every tongue and every tribe,  
reponsive to the call,  
to him all majesty ascribe,  
and crown him Lord of all.
- 4 O that with yonder sacred throng,  
we at his feet may fall;  
join in the everlasting song,  
and crown him Lord of all.

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Children's Address

**Hymn 559 There is a redeemer**

There is a redeemer  
Jesus, God's own Son  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah  
Holy One

*Thank you, o my father  
For giving us Your Son  
And leaving us Your Spirit  
Till your work on Earth is done*

Jesus my redeemer  
Name above all names  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah  
Once for sinners slain

*Thank you, o my father  
For giving us Your Son  
And leaving us Your Spirit  
Till your work on Earth is done*

When I stand in Glory  
I will see His face  
And there I'll serve my King forever  
In that Holy Place

*Thank you, o my father  
For giving us Your Son  
And leaving us Your Spirit  
Till your work on Earth is done*

Melody Green(b.1946)

Philippians 2:1-13  
St. Matthew 21:23-32

## **Anthem**

## **Sermon**

The Apostles' Creed (Hymn 628)

The Offering (& Sung Doxology: Hymn 807)

Prayer of Intercession

## **Hymn 18/19 The earth belongs to God alone (Psalm 24)**

- 1 The earth belongs to God alone  
and all that it contains;  
the world and its inhabitants  
God's steadfast love maintains.
- 2 The Lord who brought the world to birth  
laid earth's foundations sure,  
and firm within the surging seas  
established them secure.
- 3 Who, then, are those who shall ascend  
the holy hill of God?  
And who is fit to stand within  
the presence of the Lord?
- 4 All those whose hands and hearts are clean,  
with no room in their mind  
for worthless vanities or vows  
of a deceitful kind.
- 5 These are the people who receive  
a blessing from the Lord,  
and vindication for their ways  
from God, their saving God.

- 6 O God of Jacob, help us all  
who gather in this place,  
to seek your presence with us now:  
we yearn to see your face.
- 7 Ye gates lift up your heads on high;  
ye doors that last for ay  
be lifted up, that so the King  
of glory enter may!
- 8 But who of glory is the King?  
The mighty Lord is this,  
ev'n that same Lord, that great in might  
and strong in battle is.
- 9 Ye gates, lift up your heads; ye doors,  
doors that do last for ay,  
be lifted up, that so the King  
of glory enter may!
- 10 But who is he that is the King  
of glory? who is this?  
The Lord of hosts, and none but he,  
the King of glory is.

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## **The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

### **Responses for Prayer of Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...and with the whole company of heaven,  
we lift up our hearts in joyful praise, saying:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

*Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours,  
almighty Father, now and for ever.*

*Our Father which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.*

*Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.*

*And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for  
ever. Amen.*

### **Breaking of Bread**

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
**Have mercy upon us.**

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**Have mercy upon us.**

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
**Grant us your peace.**

### **Hymn 710 "I have a dream," a man once said,**

1 "I have a dream", a man once said,  
"where all is perfect peace;  
where men and women, black and white,  
stand hand in hand, and all unite  
in freedom and in love."

2 But in this world of bitter strife  
the dream can often fade;  
reality seems dark as night,  
we catch but glimpses of the light  
Christ sheds on humankind.

3 Fierce persecution, war, and hate  
are raging everywhere;  
God calls us now to pay the price  
through struggles and through sacrifice  
of standing for the right.

4 So dream the dreams and sing the songs,  
but never be content:  
for thoughts and words don't ease the pain:  
unless there's action, all is vain;  
faith proves itself in deeds.

5 Lord, give us vision, make us strong,  
help us to do your will;  
don't let us rest until we see  
your love throughout humanity  
uniting us in peace.

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### **Benediction**

**Choral Amen (3-fold)**