



BELFAST
CATHEDRAL

**MORNING PRAYER:
A SERVICE OF THE WORD
Sunday 4th July 2021
11.00am
The Fifth Sunday after Trinity**

*In response to relaxations of Covid restrictions,
the congregation may now join in singing the hymns.
Please ensure that your face covering is in place, and sing softly.*

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St Anne, Belfast. Please follow the instructions from the Churchwardens. We ask you to wear a face covering throughout your visit. Under government guidance for the purposes of keeping Contact Tracing Records it is essential that you complete the following information. Please leave this service sheet ON YOUR SEAT when you leave at the end of the service. These will be retained for 21 days, after which they will be destroyed. Thank you.

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Organ Prelude

Please stand for the **OPENING HYMN: ICH 646**



**Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
he whose word can ne'er be broken
formed thee for his own abode.
On the rock of ages founded,
what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
thou may'st smile at all thy foes.**

**See, the streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters,
and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river
ever flows their thirst to assuage:
grace which, like the Lord the giver,
never fails from age to age?**

**Blest inhabitants of Zion,
washed in the Redeemer's Blood;
Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
makes them kings and priests to God.
'Tis his love his people raises
over self to reign as kings;
and, as priests, his solemn praises
each for a thank-offering brings.**

**Saviour, since of Zion's city
I through grace a member am,
let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in thy name.
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,
all his boasted pomp and show;
solid joys and lasting treasure
none but Zion's children know.**

Words: John Newton (1725-1807) based on Psalm 87:2 & 46:4

Tune: ABBOT'S LEIGH Cyril V. Taylor (1907-91)

THE GREETING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. *Psalm 124:7*

Beloved in Christ, we come together to offer to Almighty God our worship and praise and thanksgiving, to confess our sins and to receive God's forgiveness, to hear his holy word proclaimed, to bring before him our needs and the needs of the world, and to pray that in the power of his Spirit we may serve him and know the greatness of his love.

PENITENCE

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

Please kneel or sit

Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault; by what we have done and by what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand

PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD

○ Lord, open our lips
and our mouth will proclaim your praise.

○ God, make speed to save us.
○ Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

Praise the Lord.
The Lord's name be praised.

*Please remain standing to say the **PSALM: 48***

Great is the Lord and highly to be praised, ♦
in the city of our God.

His holy mountain is fair and lifted high, ♦
the joy of all the earth.

On Mount Zion, the divine dwelling place, ♦
stands the city of the great king.

In her palaces God has shown himself ♦
to be a sure refuge.

For behold, the kings of the earth assembled ♦
and swept forward together.

They saw, and were dumbfounded; ♦
dismayed, they fled in terror.

Trembling seized them there; they writhed like a woman in labour, ♦
as when the east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish.

As we had heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, the city of our God: ♦

God has established her for ever.

We have waited on your loving-kindness, O God, ♦
in the midst of your temple.

As with your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; ♦

your right hand is full of justice.

Let Mount Zion rejoice and the daughters of Judah be glad, ♦

because of your judgements, O Lord.

Walk about Zion and go round about her; count all her towers; ♦

consider well her bulwarks; pass through her citadels,

That you may tell those who come after that such is our God for ever and ever. ♦

It is he that shall be our guide for evermore.

Glory to the Father:

and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning:

is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

Please sit for the **FIRST READING:** 2 Samuel 5: 1-5, 9-10

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, 'Look, we are your bone and flesh. For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The LORD said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel.' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel. David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned for forty years. At Hebron he reigned over Judah for seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah for thirty-three years. David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inwards. And David became greater and greater, for the LORD, the God of hosts, was with him.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand to say the **CANTICLE:** Jubilate (*Psalm 100*)

O shout to the Lord **in triumph all the earth;**

serve the Lord with gladness and come before his face with songs of joy.

Know that the Lord he is God;

it is he who has made us and we are his, we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Come into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and bless his holy name.

**For the Lord is good, his loving mercy is for ever,
his faithfulness throughout all generations.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son;
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Please sit for the **SECOND READING:** Mark 6: 1-13

Jesus came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON by the Reverend Dr Maithrie White

Please remain seated for the **ANTHEM:**

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways;
re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee,
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm.

Words: John Whittier (1807-92)

Music: REPTON C. Hubert Parry (1848-1918), arranged David Illif (b.1939)

Please remain standing to say the **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, **the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Let us pray.

Please kneel or sit

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Show us your mercy, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen
and grant her government wisdom.

Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness
and let your servants shout for joy.

O Lord, save your people
and bless those whom you have chosen.

Give peace in our time, O Lord,
and let your glory be over all the earth.

O God, make clean our hearts within us
and renew us by your Holy Spirit.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: Hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

COLLECTS AT MORNING PRAYER

Go before us, Lord, in all our doings, with your most gracious favour, and further us with your continual help; that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy attain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray that your Holy Spirit may so guide and govern us that in all the cares and occupations of our daily life, we may never forget your presence but may remember that we are always walking in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray to God for strength and perseverance in his service:

Bless the Church with the spirit of holy poverty, not to trust in wealth or power but only in the enabling of her Lord. Make her ministers faithful heirs of the disciples who were first called to perform good works in a strength not their own. Today we pray for Canon Michael Parker and the parish of Carnalea, and Canon Kevin Graham and the parish of Stramillis.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Have mercy on a world where many are so anxious for material things that they do not recognize the better way that is open before them. Give to those who hold authority the grace not to be imprisoned in their own power but to see and learn where there is true wisdom. We pray for a spirit of humility in world leaders to resist the corruption of riches and protect those who struggle in the face of climate change caused by the greed and irresponsibility of large multinationals.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give us light to see the gifts of God in all around us, to honour your presence in our families and friends and neighbours. Open our hearts and our homes to receive those who are sent to be among us. We pray for those called to work among the homeless and those struggling with addictions or abuse.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Have mercy on all who are sick and bless those who care for them. Give them comfort and hope in their affliction, and peace to endure with patience. Release those who are in the power of evil and restore them to wholeness of life. Bless the work of hospices and rehabilitation centres, and give wisdom and strength to families handling a loved one's illness.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for those who have walked in the way of the Lord through this world and have come to their journey's end. Grant that, as they are at peace in the great family of the faithful departed, so we may be strengthened to face our ongoing journeys and trials.

Merciful Father, **accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

CATHEDRAL CORONAVIRUS PRAYER

O Heavenly Father, who by your Son Jesus Christ has taught us the glory of self-sacrifice and service: bless all who care for the sick, and those suffering from or recovering from Coronavirus today. Stand with those who grieve. Give your strength to all who work in hospitals, nursing homes and in the community. Guide those who are tracking new variants of the infection and administering the vaccines. Give wisdom to all who have responsibility in church, politics and society in all the decisions they must make. This we ask in the name of the one who spent himself in service of others with no thought for himself, even our Lord, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Please stand for the **CLOSING HYMN: ICH 618**



**Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.**

**Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.**

**Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.**

**Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.**

*Words: Jan Struther [Joyce Placzek, nee Torrens] (1901-53)
Tune: SLANE Irish traditional melody harm. Erik Routley (1917-82)*

Please remain standing

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Organ Voluntary

*Please remain in your place until the Churchwardens direct you to move.
We ask that members of the congregation exit the building straight away
and do not congregate on the west steps.
Thank you.*



NOTICES



Sunday 11th July 2021: The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

11.00am A Service of the Word

Preacher: Gillian McGaughey, Diocesan Reader

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