

# The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 19, 2020 at 9 a.m.

Morning Prayer

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*Loving God and neighbor, 125 years and counting...*

Prelude

Hymn 8

Morning has broken

Music: *Bunessan*,  
Gaelic melody; harm. Alex Wyton (b. 1921)

*Unison or harmony*

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,  
2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from hea - ven,  
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing

black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird.  
like the first dew - fall like on the first grass.  
born of the one light E - den saw play!

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!  
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,  
Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery morn - ing,

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!  
sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass.  
God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

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## Opening Sentence

*Enriching Our Worship*, p. 19

**Officiant** We give you thanks, O God, we give you thanks, calling upon your Name and declaring all your wonderful deeds. *Psalm 75:1*

## Confession of Sin

*Enriching Our Worship*, pp. 19-20

**Officiant** Let us confess our sins to God.

*A moment of silence is observed.*

*Please kneel as able and space permits.*

**All** God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

**Officiant** Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## The Invitatory and Psalter

**Officiant** O God, let our mouths proclaim your praise.

**People** And your glory all day long.

**All** Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## Invitatory Psalm 63:1-8

*Enriching Our Worship*, pp. 22-23

*The Invitatory psalm is read responsively, breaking at the asterisk (\*).*

**Officiant** God is the Rock of our salvation: O come let us worship.

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; \*

my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, \*

that I might behold your power and your glory.

For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; \*

my lips shall give you praise.

So will I bless you as long as I live \*

and lift up my hands in your Name.

My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, \*

and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

When I remember you upon my bed, \*

and meditate on you in the night watches.

For you have been my helper, \*

and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

My soul clings to you; \*

your right hand holds me fast.

**Officiant** God is the Rock of our salvation: O come let us worship.

**Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23**

*The psalm is read responsively, breaking at the asterisk (\*).*

LORD, you have searched me out and known me; \*

**you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.**

You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*

**and are acquainted with all my ways.**

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*

**but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**

You press upon me behind and before \*

**and lay your hand upon me.**

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*

**it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**

Where can I go then from your Spirit? \*

**where can I flee from your presence?**

If I climb up to heaven, you are there; \*

**if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.**

If I take the wings of the morning \*

**and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,**

Even there your hand will lead me \*

**and your right hand hold me fast.**

If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, \*

**and the light around me turn to night,"**

Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; \*

**darkness and light to you are both alike.**

Search me out, O God, and know my heart; \*

**try me and know my restless thoughts.**

Look well whether there be any wickedness in me \*

**and lead me in the way that is everlasting.**

**All** Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

**The Epistle**

**Romans 8:12-25**

**Lector** Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh~ for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ~ if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the

creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

**Lector** Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**All** Thanks be to God.

**The First Song of Isaiah (Isaiah 12:2-6)**

*Book of Common Prayer, p. 86*

*Read responsively, breaking at the asterisk (\*).*

Surely, it is God who saves me; \*

**I will trust in him and not be afraid.**

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \*

**and he will be my Savior.**

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \*

**from the springs of salvation.**

And on that day you shall say, \*

**Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;**

Make his deeds known among the peoples; \*

**see that they remember that his Name is exalted.**

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \*

**and this is known in all the world.**

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \*

**for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.**

**All** Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

### In the Garden (I Come to the Garden Alone)

1. I come to the gar - den a - lone while the dew is  
 2. He speaks, and the sound of his voice is so sweet the  
 3. I'd stay in the gar - den with him though the night a -

still on the ros - es, and the voice I hear fall - ing on my ear,  
 birds hush their sing - ing, and the mel - o - dy that he gave to me  
 round me be fall - ing, but he bids me go; thru the voice of woe

*Refrain*  
 the Son of God dis - clos - es.  
 with - in my heart is ring - ing. And he walks with me, and he  
 his voice to me is call - ing.

talks with me, and he tells me I am his own; and the  
 joy we share as we tar - ry there, none oth - er has ev - er known.

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GARDEN  
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## The Gospel

Matthew 13:24-30,36-43

**Preacher** Jesus put before the crowd another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

**Preacher** Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

**All** Thanks be to God.

## The Homily

The Rev. Nicholas Morris-Kliment

*A moment of silent reflection follows the homily.*

## The Apostles’ Creed

*Book of Common Prayer, p. 96*

*Please stand, as able and comfortable.*

**All** 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. 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

*Please stand or kneel or sit, as able and comfortable.*

**Officiant** Hear our cry, O God.

**People** And listen to our prayer.

**Officiant** Let us pray.

**All** 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.

### **Suffrages**

*Enriching Our Worship, p. 42*

V. Help us, O God our Savior;

**R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.**

V. Look upon your congregation;

**R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.**

V. Declare your glory among the nations;

**R. And your wonders among all peoples.**

V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

**R. Never forget the lives of your poor.**

V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

**R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.**

V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

**R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life**

### **The Collects (Prayers)**

#### **Collect of the Day**

**Officiant** Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking; Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### **A Collect for Diversity of Races and Cultures**

*Book of Common Prayer, p. 840*

**Officiant** O God, who created all peoples in your image, we thank you for the wonderful diversity of races and cultures in this world. Enrich our lives by ever-widening circles of fellowship, and show us your presence in those who differ most from us, until our knowledge of your love is made perfect in our love for all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### **A Collect for the Power of the Spirit Among the People of God**

**Officiant** 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.**

*Written by Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church Michael Curry and Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Elizabeth Eaton. In addition to expressing a shared desire for renewal in a troubling time, the collect also commemorates nearly 20 years of full communion between The Episcopal Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. To be prayed through the first Sunday in September.*

### **Intercessions and Thanksgivings**

*The people offer their prayers and thanksgivings silently or aloud or using the chat feature on Facebook.*

## The General Thanksgiving

*Book of Common Prayer, p. 101*

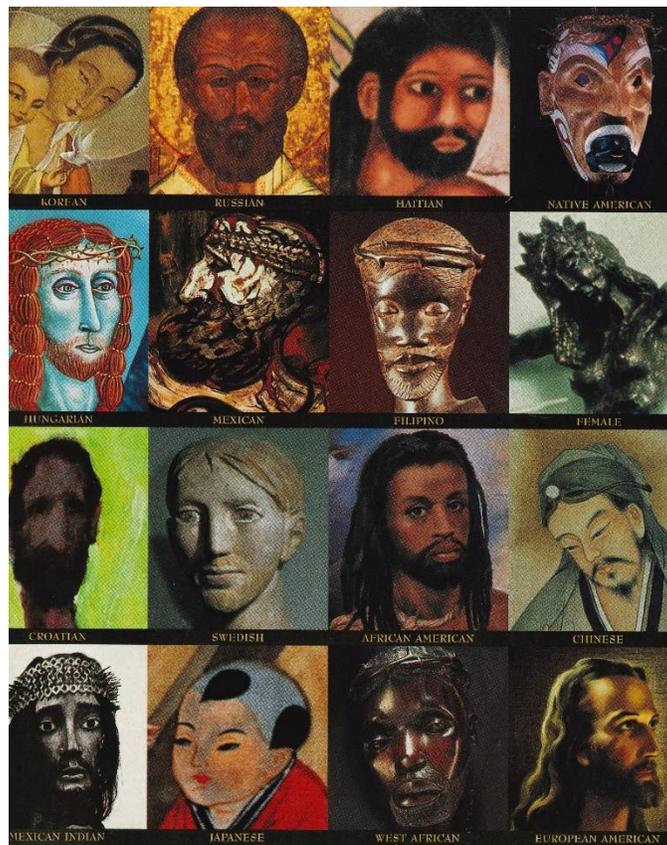
**All** Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

## A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

**Officiant** Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O God, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

**Officiant** Let us bless the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.



1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the  
 \*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the  
 \*5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the  
 2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is  
 3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the  
 4 Lord of lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! born of  
 5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the  
 2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the  
 3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -  
 4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -  
 5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a  
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty  
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,  
 4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our  
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery  
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his  
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the  
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and  
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898) Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

### Concluding Blessing

**Officiant** 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 – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – be with you, and remain with you and those you love, now and always. Amen.

### Postlude

The hymns this week are a gift of Hope Anderson.

## Prayers of the People

This week in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Episcopal Church in the Philippines and The Most Revd Joel Atiwag Pachao - Prime Bishop of the Philippines. Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Alan and Gayle, our Bishops; Amy, Dean of our Cathedral; Carol, our Regional Canon; and Nick, our priest. Also, our companion parish at St. Luc's, Lazil, Haiti and our siblings at the MANNA Community in Boston.

This week in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray the Parishes of the Mystic Valley Deanery: St. Paul's Church, Lynnfield; St. Paul's Church, Malden; Grace Church, Medford; Trinity Parish, Melrose; and, Deputies and Alternate Deputies to General Convention.

Altar flowers today are given in memory of:  
N. Grant Mackinnon by Neil Mackinnon  
Richard & Mary Salamon and Richard A. White by Marcia White.

In the Needham Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Good Shepherd Christian Fellowship and Congregation Ruach Israel.

Your prayers are requested for Sarah, Michael, Gail, Thomas, Bob, Susan, Steve, James, Cynthia, Chuck, Mark, Bill, Ruth, Linda, all singers and instrumentalists whose ministry is vital at this time, John, James, Nick M., Gayle, Marianne and family, Linda Evans, and for all serving our country - especially, remembering Sean, Ian, Jack, Colin, Tim and Andrew.

Please email your prayers to the [office](mailto:office@ccneedham.org) ([office@ccneedham.org](mailto:office@ccneedham.org)).

*Thank you to those who assisted in the service today!*

*Steve Sussman, Piano*

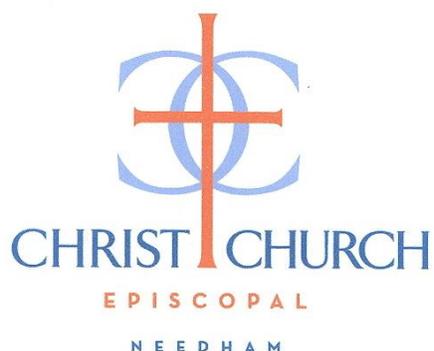
*Vocalists: Lea Peterson, Grant Furgiuele, Mark Anderson*

*And others to be named on air!*

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