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## The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 23

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### Morning Prayer

#### *Officiant*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

#### *Officiant*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

#### *Officiant and People*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

#### *Officiant*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all our sins through our Lord 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* Lord, open our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

#### *Officiant and People*

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

#### **Jubilate** *Psalms 100*

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;\* serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; \* he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise;\* give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

**For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;\* and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

#### **Psalms 23**

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; \* I shall not be in want.
- 2 **He makes me lie down in green pastures \* and leads me beside still waters.**
- 3 He revives my soul \* and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; \* for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \* you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 **Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \* and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.**

*Officiant and People*

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

### **A Reading from Isaiah**

(25:1-9)

O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord.

*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

### **Canticle 9 – The First Song of Isaiah**

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.

*Officiant and People*

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

### **A Reading from Philippians**

(4:1-9)

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord

*People*    **Thanks be to God**

### **Canticle 18 – A Song to the Lamb**

Splendor and honor and kingly power\* are yours by right, O Lord our God,

**For you created everything that is,\* and by your will they were created and have their being;**

And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain,\* for with your blood you have redeemed for God,

**From every family, language, people, and nation,\* a kingdom of priests to serve our God.**

And so, to him who sits upon the throne,\* and to Christ the Lamb,

**Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor\* for ever and for evermore.**

## **The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew**

(22:1-14)

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **The Sermon**

*Silence for reflection*

Fr. Haynes

### **The Apostles' Creed**

*Officiant and People together*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
**creator of heaven and earth;**  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**  
**He 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**

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Officiant* Let us pray.

**Our father in heaven**  
**hallowed be your Name,**  
**your kingdom come,**  
**your will be done,**  
**on earth as in heaven.**  
**Give us this day our daily bread.**  
**Forgive us our sins**  
**as we forgive those**  
**who sin against us.**  
**Save us from the time of trial**  
**and deliver us from evil.**  
**For the kingdom, the power,**  
**and the glory are yours,**  
**now and forever. Amen.**

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. **And grant us your salvation.**  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. **Let your people sing with joy.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
R. **Your saving health among all nations.**  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

*Officiant*

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who

lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Leader*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for the Anglican Communion, especially for the Dioceses of Peterborough - (England), Christ the King - (Southern Africa), Phulbani - (North India), Christchurch - (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia), Kolhapur - (North India), Pittsburgh - (The Episcopal Church), Chubu - (Japan), Polynesia - (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia), Clogher - (Ireland), Cochin - (South India), Popondota - (Papua New Guinea), Coimbatore - (South India), Port Moresby - (Papua New Guinea), Colombia - (The Episcopal Church), Kollam - Kottarakkara - (South India), and The Church of the Province of Uganda; our diocese, especially for St. Mark, Montesano; St. Luke, Elma; and for our parish, especially our Key Lim Pie Buddy Group: Hilary & Susan Njoroge; Mary Mwasi; Agueda & Michael Fernandez-Webster.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for our armed forces, their families, and those who are deployed, especially for those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We thank you for

all the blessings of this life, especially for those we now name.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, praying especially for Lyn, Areewa, Brenda, Marisa, Sandy, Paulette, Erica, Rico, Steven, David, Hollie, Christine, Theresa, Beth, Justin, Saray, Julianne, Jessica, Antonette, Ryan, Jackie, Bill & Paula, Janis, Leif, Kari, Kathryn, Deb, Mike, Judy, Elizabeth, Dorothy, Milana McLead, Alisande, Jenny, Peggy, Gordon, Brennan, Jerry, for all who suffer from COVID 19, their families, and friends, and for those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Susanna Louise Inglis, that your will for them may be fulfilled. We pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

*Officiant*

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries**

*After the Offering is collected and placed upon the altar, the following is sung*

### **Song of Praise Hymn #380 vs. 3** *Doxology*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **The General Thanksgiving**

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.**

## **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 among you, and remain  
with you always. ***Amen.***

## **St. Matthew Mission Statement**

**To be a church that passionately embraces and  
values all people, growing in the love of Christ  
through word and action.**

*Officiant*    Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing  
in the power of the Spirit.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**