

Third Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 AM + June 6, 2021

Welcome! You are invited to participate fully in our worship.
Whoever you are, wherever you are on your journey of faith, welcome!

Morning Prayer: Rite Two

Prelude: *Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott*

Mathias Weckmann (1616-1674)

Welcome

Opening Sentences

Officiant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Officiant: You are no longer strangers and sojourners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God. *Ephesians 2:19*

Hymn 645: *The King of love my shepherd is*

tune: *St. Columba*



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
* 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
* 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der
4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my
5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port
6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-les-tial feed-eth.
3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

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Confession

The Officiant says to the people

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence may be kept

Officiant and People together

**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.***

The Officiant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your 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

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.

S280: Gloria

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Lessons

A Reading from First Samuel 15:34-16:13

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

People's response after the reading **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 92: 1-4, 11-14

- 1 It is a good thing to give thanks to the LORD, *
and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;
- 2 To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning *
and of your faithfulness in the night season;
- 3 On the psaltery, and on the lyre, *
and to the melody of the harp.
- 4 For you have made me glad by your acts, O LORD; *
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.
- 11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, *
and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.
- 12 Those who are planted in the house of the LORD *
shall flourish in the courts of our God;

- 13 They shall still bear fruit in old age; *
 they shall be green and succulent;
- 14 That they may show how upright the LORD is, *
 my Rock, in whom there is no fault.

A Reading from Paul's 2nd Letter to the Corinthians 5:6-17

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

People's response after the reading **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle: Psalm 95:17 *Venite*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

 let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

 and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

 and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

 and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *

 and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *

 and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The Holy Gospel according to Mark 4:26-34

People Said before the reading

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Said after the reading

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Homily

The Rev. Dr. Paul Kolbet

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.

Recognition of Choirs

Announcements

The Prayers

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

Officiant and People:

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.

The Prayers of the People – Form VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Alan and Gale our Bishops; and for all
bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

Officiant says the Collect of the Day:

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for Sundays

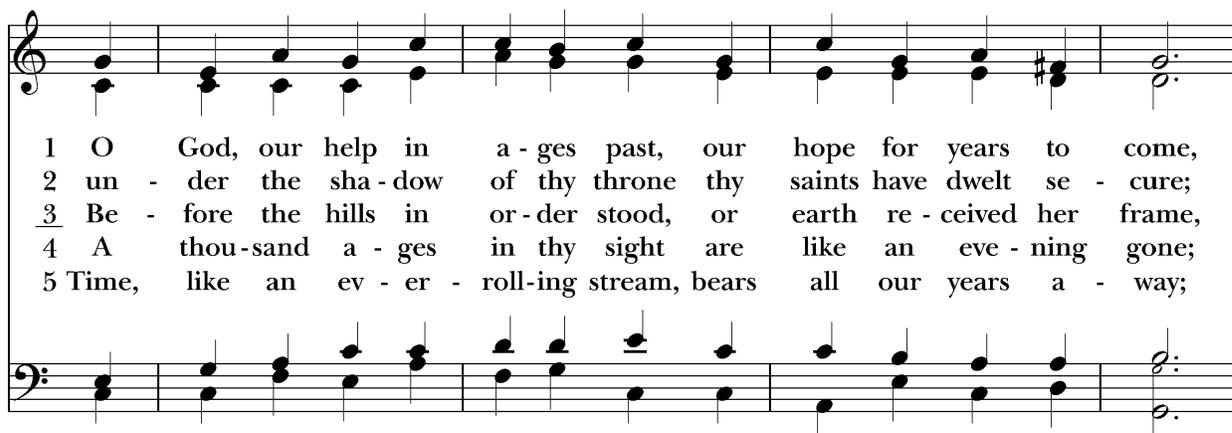
O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mission

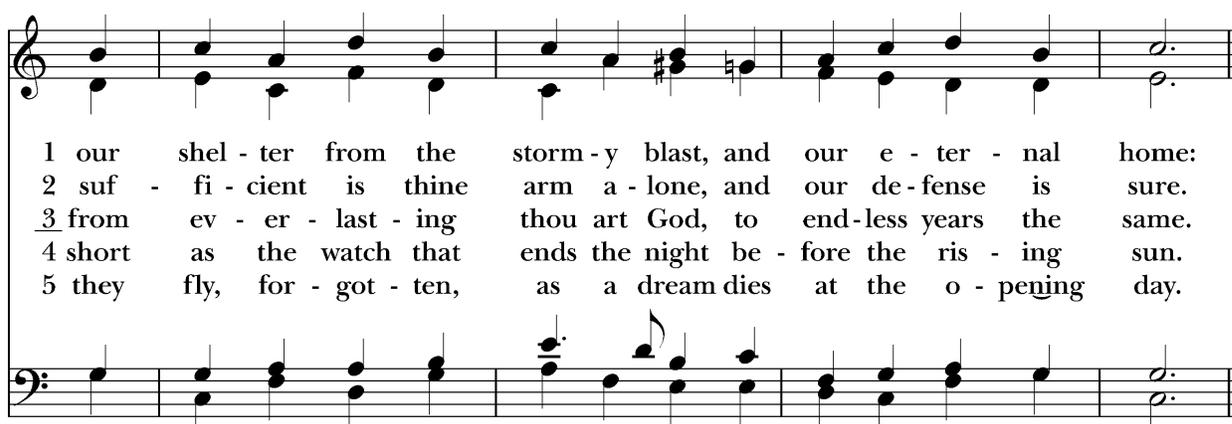
Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

Hymn 680: O God, our help in ages past

tune: St. Anne



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;



1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pen - ing day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,

be thou our guide while life shall last,
and our eternal home.

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The Peace and Greetings

Officiant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

(Worshippers unmute themselves and exchange the Peace and greet one another).

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People:

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.*

Blessing and Dismissal

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, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

People: **Amen.**

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: *Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott*

Georg Ph. Telemann (1681-1767)

Ministers for Today's Service

Officiant: The Rev. Dr. Paul Kolbet

Choirmaster & Organist: Dr. Carl Klein

Lay Reader: Katie LaRochelle

Lay Reader: Michael O'Laughlin

Litanist: Lois Freeman

Congregational respondent: James Scoville

Canticles: Katie LaRochelle & Lynne McSheehy

Psalms: Michael O'Laughlin

Apostle's Creed: Lois Freeman

Zoom Greeter & Usher: Rohini Pola, & Laura Barry

Prayers for June 13, 2021

PRAY FOR THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

We pray for our Presiding Bishop Michael; Alan and Gayle, our Bishops, for Paul, our Interim Rector and for Valerie Cowart, Deacon.

In our Diocese: St. Aidan's Chapel, Dartmouth, St. Peter's Church, Dartmouth, Congregations: Organists, Choirs and other Church Musicians, Society of the Companions of the Holy Cross.

We also pray for the faith communities in Chelmsford, especially for West Chelmsford United Methodist Church.

PRAY FOR THOSE JOINING GOD'S MISSION IN OUR PARISH especially for all participating in the Food Drive to help Chelmsford residents, especially children dealing with food insecurity now that they home for the summer.

PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR PARISH IN NEED OF HEALING:

Barbara Willman	in Lowell General – breathing issues
Amy Hunter	parathyroid surgery on June 18
Linda Webb	in rehab at Sunny Acres
Molly Loder	Brain cancer
Nate Barrow	Medical concerns
Garrett Burgess	Recovery of his sight

PRAY FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS OF OUR PARISHIONERS:

Brian Cunio	John MacKenzie's daughter Kim's father-in-law – health concerns
Kristin	friend of Linda Cahill – anxiety & stress issues
Ruth-Ellen	friend of Linda Cahill – health issues
Christine	friend of Linda Cahill – health issues
Diana	friend of Linda Cahill – health issues
Robert Lambrecht	father of friend of Jocelyn Bishop – open-heart surgery
Judy Crocker	friend of the Friesners – death of son, James
Barbara Kimball Mackey	a former parishioner - health concerns
Patti Randazzo	Larisa Ducharme's mother – undergoing chemo
Linda	aunt of Laura Andrews – Parkinson's disease
Barry	friend of Bob Andrews –reoccurrence of cancer
Sara Lenhart's family	Scott Bempkins mother-in-law – loss of mother/grandmother
Tom, Sarah &family	friends of the McSheehys – family stress
Scott	Harry Taplin's cousin – seriously ill/declining
Beth, Greg & family	friends of Scott Bempkins - slow and challenging recovery from spinal abscess
Nichols	friend of the McSheehys- health concerns
Heather	daughter of friend of Kate Friesner – recovery from having part of lung removed
Dawn	niece of Karen Kowalski – health concerns
Betty Small	cousin of Lois Freeman - has a hole in the retina of her right eye
Janet Swanton	friend of Lois Freeman – knee replacement surgery
Emily	friend of Libby Maynard - prayers for health and healing
Ellen	sister of Laura Geary – breast cancer
Diane Soboski	friend of the Barry's – cancer concerns
Meg C.	friend of Laura Barry – undergoing chemo
Christina Tessier	neighbor of the Ouellettes – recovery from stroke and for return of her vision
Tony Ganchi	Paige LaRochelle's friend's grandfather - undergoing cancer treatment
Carolyn	friend of Lois Freeman – tumor in her lung
Anna & Family	friends of the LaRochelles - being evaluated for a possible heart transplant
Dan Willman	son of Barbara Willman –being treated for multiple myeloma
Sampath S	friend and work colleague of Scott Bempkins - cancer
Chris Gobron	brother of Deb Collins – recurrence of esophageal cancer
Jennifer	Sister of Lissie Bates-Haus - Cancer

Joanna Nickerson Deacon Bruce's wife - Parkinsons
Erismath M. Kintu Rowena's father – health concerns

Prayer for the Departed: for Betsy Higgs, sister of Alex Barry, who passed away recently and for Vince (Vinny) Freeman who passed away on Monday evening. We also pray for David Duffy, brother of Carol Cannistraro, who passed away on June 4th.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE AT HOME, IN NURSING HOMES, OR LIVING WITH CHRONIC ILLNESSES: Terry Hunter, Brian Hunter's brother, Chaz Freeman, Lois Freeman's son, Jeanette Freeman, Larry Van Walters, Ken Lager, twin brother of Kate Friesner, Katherine Luetters, Garrett Burgess, Ginny Wright, D'Youville, Lowell

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES AND THEIR FAMILIES: Especially for those who have been deployed overseas, and for all others serving our country.



Join us for online coffee hour at 10am on Sunday! The Zoom links are found in an email invitation sent on Sunday mornings along with the links to other ways to join us during the week.

Services the next two Sundays

June 20	9:00am In-person Holy Eucharist + Online Prerecorded Service
June 27	9:00am In-person Holy Eucharist + Online Prerecorded Service

We ask parishioners attending in-person to please choose one week or the other to help us remain within the Diocese's current regulations limiting us to 60% capacity.

