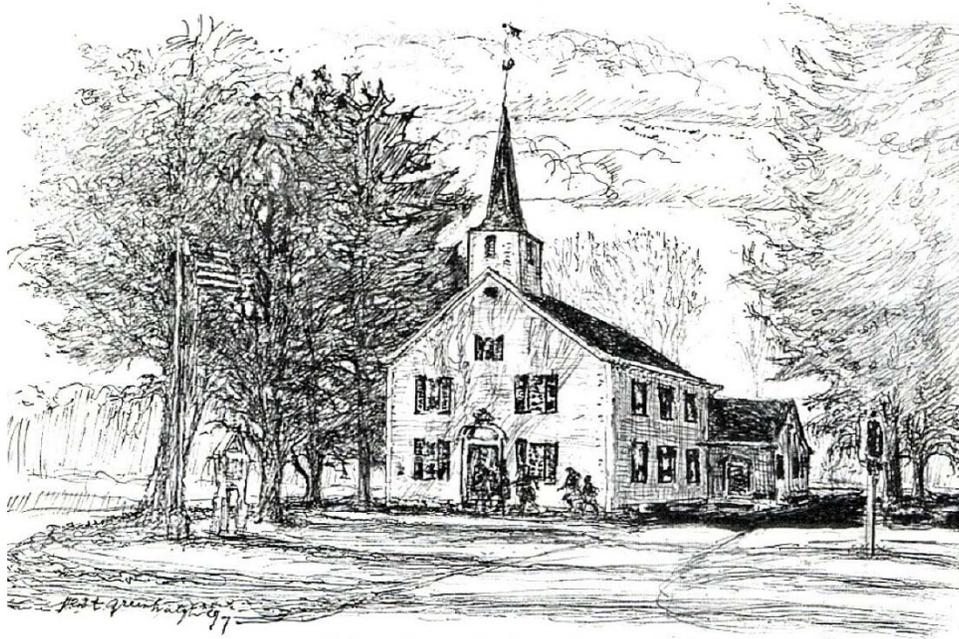


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*The English Church
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Music Director

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EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 26, 2020

*All who are able are invited to stand.

TIME OF SILENT MEDITATION

9:55-10 AM

PRELUDE

“Adagio from Sonata in E Flat”

W. A. Mozart

GREETING

Worship Leader

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Worship Leader

Blessed be God whose word gives hope and shapes our dreams,
whose love has conquered death.

Blessed be God who orders our way and guides our steps,
who leads us into life.

*OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

Worship Leader

**God, you have given us a dream of your world made whole,
a heavenly realm that is near in heart and close at hand,
and it is ours to choose each day.**

**May our smallest acts of courtesy, when transformed by your love,
grow abundantly into a realm of flourishing for all. Amen.**

*OPENING HYMN

“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

#482

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near,
Join me in glad adoration.

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen How thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Worship Leader

If God is for us, who can be against us?
Let us confess our sins to the One who searches us and knows us.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

We confess that we have turned away from you and have not lived with upright hearts.

Forgive us for failing to follow you.

**Guide our feet to walk in your ways and serve your world
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*MOMENT FOR SILENT CONFESSION

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Your sins are forgiven; be at peace,
for all things work together for good for those who love God.

Please be seated

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In Unison)

**Enlightening God, the unfolding of your Word gives light
and provides wisdom to all who seek your truth.**

**Open our minds and hearts by the presence of your Holy Spirit,
that the mystery of your heavenly realm is made evident here on earth. Amen.**

FIRST READING

1 Kings 3:5-12

Worship Leader

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Prayer” based on the Lord's Prayer, Jimmy Greene

A MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH

SECOND READING

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (In Unison) The Apostles' Creed** pg. 14

**I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of
the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he
descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to
judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the
communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life
everlasting. Amen.**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Minister: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

***HYMN**

“Seek Ye First”

#333

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And His righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia!

Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and ye shall find,

Knock and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia!
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Jesus said,
The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed;
it is the smallest of all the seeds,
but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree
so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.
Let us offer our gifts this day, for the kingdom of heaven is near.

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER CARDS Please share prayer requests on YT comments using first names only

OFFERTORY *"If Thou Art Near"* J. S. Bach

If you would like to submit an offering online use the QR code found in the announcements.

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (In Unison)**

**We dedicate our lives to you this day
and seal that promise by way of this offering.
We give out of the abundance of our hearts,
that the treasure of your kingdom may be shared with many.
Thank you for giving us grateful hearts
and a spirit of generosity for the flourishing of your realm. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN** *"Song of Hope"* #432

May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace;
singing, share our joy with all;
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.

¡Dios de la esperanza, danos gozo y paz!
Al mundo en crisis, habla tu verdad.
Dios de la justicia, mándanos tu luz,
Luz y esperanza en la oscuridad.

Refrain:
Oremos por la paz,
Cantemos de tu amor.
Luchemos por la paz,
Fieles a Ti, Señor.

***BLESSING**

May the God of creation, liberation, and illumination
bless you this day and always.

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

“The Greatness of the Lord”

Richard Miles
