The Church of St. Barnabas, Irvington in the Episcopal Diocese of New York



A Service of Morning Prayer for the Third Sunday after Pentecost June 21, 2020 at ten o'clock

Before the Service

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks To The Risen Lord Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Praise To His Name Jesus Is Lord Of All The Earth He Is The King Of Creation Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks To The Risen Lord Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Praise To His Name

Donald E. Fishel (1950-1972)

When each of us can hold firm to our own cup, with its many sorrows and joys, claiming it as our unique life, then too, can we lift it up for others to see and encourage them to lift up their lives as well . . . The wounds of our individual lives, which seem intolerable when lived alone, become sources of healing when we live them as part of a fellowship of mutual care.

Henri Nouwen (1932-1996)

It's work to do the emotional labor of pointing out problematic racist thinking, policies, actions, and statements while desperately trying to avoid bitterness and cynicism. It's work to stay open to an organization to learn new skills without drinking in the cultural expectations of body size, personality, interests and talents most valued according to whiteness.

I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness.

Austin Channing Brown

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time; enjoying one moment at a time; accepting hardships as the pathway to peace; taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it; trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His Will; that I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with Him forever in the next.

Amen.

Reinhold Niebuhr (1892-1971)

A Service of Morning Prayer

When life's circumstances prevent us from attending Church.

Prelude

"Intrada" John Ireland

Opening Sentence

Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand. *Matthew* 3:2 + Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

God's mercy endures forever.

The Invitatory and Psalter

O Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall show forth 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.

Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

Jubilate Psalm 100

Officiant and People:

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.

Psalm 69

[8-11, (12-17), 18-20]

8 Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach, and shame has covered my face.

9 I have become a stranger to my own kindred, an alien to my mother's children.

10 Zeal for your house has eaten me up; the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

11 I humbled myself with fasting,

but that was turned to my reproach.

[12 I put on sack-cloth also,

and became a byword among them.

13 Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, and the drunkards make songs about me.

14 But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have set, O Lord:

15 "In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your unfailing help.

16 Save me from the mire; do not let me sink; let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of the deep waters.

17 Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swallow me up; do not let the Pit shut its mouth upon me.

18 Answer me, O Lord, for your love is kind;

in your great compassion, turn to me.'

19 "Hide not your face from your servant;

be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.

20 Draw near to me and redeem me;

because of my enemies deliver me.

At the end of the Psalms is said

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.

The Lessons

One or two lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

A Reading from Romans

[1b-11]

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was

raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. [10:24-39] **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it." The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily The Rector

The Apostles' Creed

said in unison

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.

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

The Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

- 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.

Intercessions

Officiant

We have been united with Christ in his death, and made one with him in his resurrection. In his newness of life, we raise our hearts in prayer, responding, "Lord have mercy."

Biddings

Let us pray for the healing of the nations in a world bruised and torn apart by war, oppression and injustice. We pray also for all those who are seeking to bring peace and reconciliation in our own nation and an end to racial injustice.

Lord have mercy.

Let us pray for all those who are suffering in body, mind or spirit at this time. Especially for whom we have been asked to pray, among them: [N]; may God's all embracing love reach out to them through his appointed people so that we are brought into fellowship with them, our brothers and sisters in need.

Lord have mercy.

Let us pray for all those who are recently departed and those whose anniversaries fall at this time, among them: [N]; we commend them to your mercy that your will for them may be fulfilled, and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord have mercy.

Lord of Life and Love, you have called us to serve you; give us the grace and strength to respond to your call and fill us with your ubiquitous and audacious love. We ask these prayers in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The Collects

The Collect of the Day

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Divine Encounter

God of healing and hope, in Jesus Christ you meet us in our places of pain and fear. Look with mercy on those who have contracted the novel coronavirus, on any who are vulnerable, and on all who feel in danger. Through this time of global concern, by your Holy Spirit bring out the best not the worst in us. Make us more aware of our interdependence on each other, and of the strength that comes from being one body in you. Through Christ our wounded healer. **Amen.**

The Reverend Sam Wells; St Martins in the Field, London

A Collect for the Nation

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Greetings and Announcements

Closing Prayer

Almighty God, Look mercifully on this your family gathered in their own homes as well as in places of recovery and places of protest, that by your great goodness they may be justly governed and rightly preserved for evermore; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

""Allergo marziale" from Six Organ Pieces

Frank Bridge

Musical Notes

This morning we hear the organ music of two British composers. Their music is not particularly well known in the USA, but these pieces are well-worth hearing.

John Ireland (1879-1962) was from a family of Scottish descent. His childhood was described as "sad," as both of his parents died when he was just a teen-ager. He

entered the Royal College of Music in 1893 to study piano and organ and studied composition with Charles Villiers Stanford (one of the great names in English church music.) By the 1900's he had gained a reputation as a composer of songs and chamber music. From 1923 he taught at the Royal College of Music. Benjamin Britten was one of his pupils. Ireland wrote many works in many forms - chamber music, church music, a film score, orchestra, organ, piano, and songs. Two of his works for the church are significant: one is the anthem, "Greater Love Hath No Man," (which the St. Barnabas choir has sung,) and the other is the hymn, "My Song Is Love Unknown," (hymn 458 in The Hymnal 1982) often sung here on Palm Sunday.

The word "intrada," is the Italian word for entrance; thus an "opening piece of a march-like or festive character," dating from the $16^{th}/17^{th}$ centuries. Ireland's "Intrada" is of a more dignified rather than festive character, and it unfolds with great stateliness. It just sounds so English. It is one of my favorites.

Frank Bridge (1879-1941) came from a family of musicians; his father was a conductor of music hall orchestras. He, too, attended the Royal College of Music and also studied under C.V. Stanford. After graduating from the RCM, he earned his living performing as a violin/viola player, by teaching, composing, and as a conductor. Benjamin Britten was one of his students in composition, and Bridge was an important mentor in Britten's career in music.

Bridge was not an organist, nor personally associated with the music of the English church, but his *Six Organ Pieces* have been the most performed of his output. The "Allegro marziale" is a cheerful piece. (A member of the Bridge family, Nigel Bridge, had close friends here in Irvington and, as of several years ago, when visiting in the village, he would come to St. Barnabas and sing in the choir as a guest. Nigel Bridge, Frank's nephew, is an organist.)

Donald Butt

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