

A Liturgy of the Word Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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The full service or the sermon can be viewed on the website.

Processional Hymn

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him: the Lord is his name.

Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness:
high on his heart he will bear it for thee,
comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:
truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,
these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
he will accept for the name that is dear;
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.

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Author: J. S. B. Monsell (1811-75)

Call to Worship

We come joyfully to worship the Lord.
We bring our praise and offer our lives to God.

This is our gift and our sacrifice - an act of devotion to God.:
Let us celebrate God's love with our voices and our lives.



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Let us pray.

Faithful God, meet us this morning as we present our whole selves to you today. We have come ready to this time of worship to sing our song of praise, a song we pray will bring joy to your heart. Encourage us to taste the sweetness of your words by opening our ears, our minds and our hearts. Keep us persistent as we learn and gain understanding of you.

The Gloria

by Ven Moses Thabethe

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| Udumo ku Nkulunkulu | kweziphezulu, |
| Kub 'uxolo Emhlabeni | kubantu, |
| Nkosi Nkulunkulu | ngqongqoshe wase zulwini, |
| Nkulunkulu, Yise, | Somandla. |
| Siyakhuleka | Siyakhuleka, siyakubonga, |
| Sikudumisa | sikudumisa Ngenxa yobukhosi bakho. |
| Siyakhuleka | Siyakhuleka, siyakubonga, |
| Sikudumisa | sikudumisa Ngenxa yobukhosi bakho. |

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

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| Nkosi uJesu Kristo, Ndoda | na ezelwe nguye, |
| Nkosi Nkulunkulu, | Mvana ka Nkulunkulu. |
| Wena osus' izono | zomhlaba |
| ake uu-siha | wukele. |
| Weno 'hlezi | Weno 'hlezi kwesokunene sika Yihlo, |
| Yamukela | Yamukela ukucela kwethu. |
| Weno 'hlezi | Weno 'hlezi kwesokunene sika Yihlo, |
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| Ngoba nguwe wedwa | owecwebileyo, |
| Nguwe wedwa | oyi Nkosi. |
| Nguwe wedwa, | onguPhezukonke, |
| Jesu Kristo, | Jesu Kristo. |
| Ukanye | Ukanye noMoya Ocwebileyo, |
| Ebukhosini | Ebukhosini buka Nkulunkulu uYise. |
| Ukanye | Ukanye noMoya Ocwebileyo, |
| Ebukhosini | Ebukhosini buka Nkulunkulu uYise. |

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Collect for Purity

Let us pray.

**Almighty God,
 to whom all hearts are open,
 all desires known,
 and from whom no secrets are hid:
 cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
 by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
 that we may perfectly love you,
 and worthily magnify your holy name;
 through Christ our Lord.**



The Kyrie

sung by Ven Moses Thabethe

Morena re hauhele

Morena re hauhele

Kriste re hauhele

Kriste re hauhele

Morena re hauhele

Morena re hauhele

The Penitence

Jesus calls us to enter the joy of discipleship, the joy of following in his way. But sin clings closely, and we struggle to respond fully to Christ's invitation. Let us seek God's forgiveness so that we may know more deeply the joy God intends. Let us confess together:

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father
 in penitence we confess that we have sinned against you
 through our own fault
 in thought, word, and deed,
 and in what we have left undone.
 For the sake of your Son, Christ our Lord
 forgive us all that is past
 and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
 to the glory of your Name.**

Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you: pardon your sins and set you free from them; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect

**Just and merciful God:
 help us to live the faith we have received
 so that when Christ returns
 we may be found worthy
 to be received into your presence;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Word of God

Jeremiah 31: 27-34

Psalm 119:97-104

2 Timothy 3: 14 – 4:5



Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
 Open our hearts O Lord,
 To listen to the words of your Son
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Gospel Reading

Luke 18: 1-8

The Sermon

by Revd Matthew Wright

Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

**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 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 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

Prayers of Intercession

Jesus encourages us never to give up praying. With faith in God, and in his justice, let us pray for the church, the world and all in need.

Let us pray for the worldwide Church, for Thabo our metropolitan, for Steve our Bishop and all the Bishops of our Province and for Christian communities in every nation of the world. May the church, through the power of the Spirit, remain missionary intent and be a visible sign of unity and hope in the way we support and encourage one another.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**



Creator God, we thank you for the example of leadership given to us by your Son, Jesus Christ, in his life on earth. We pray for the renewal of a spirit of humility and a sense of responsibility among leaders of this world that they may continue to seek for an end to the suffering caused by war and violence, injustice and inequality, disease, prejudice, poverty and hopelessness and bring healing to the world.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**

Mighty God, we thank you for your love and compassion for all who suffer in body, mind and spirit. We pray that your healing presence will calm their fears, ease their pain, and bring light into the darkness of all who are sick. Show us the best way to help those who suffer, without being intrusive but without simply turning away from their pain either. Now in a moment of silence pray for those persons in need that you know who need your prayers today.....

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**

Merciful Lord, your love reaches beyond the grave. At the end of our days on earth be with us and with those we love. May those who have gone before us rest in your eternal peace. We remember those who have died, and we pray for all whose life is saddened by the death of a loved one - be with them in their loneliness (add names of the recently departed or on Anniversary list) (Short Silence)

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**

Everlasting God we pray for ourselves; as we go from this church service today to start the week ahead, we ask that in all we do, we may walk more closely with you at our side safe in the knowledge that your fatherly love and care knows no bounds.

Merciful father: accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Prayer for Offering

We give you thanks, God of all creation, for your persistence in caring – and in challenging US to care – for all your creatures, and for the whole of this place we call our earthly home. May these gifts be utilized to their full potential, supporting the ministries of this congregation in this place, and to the ends of the earth. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

*Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray as our Saviour taught us:*

**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 them who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. The Kingdom
The power and the glory are yours.
Now and forever. Amen**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Loving God, we thank you for your constant guidance in our lives and for all the ways you encourage, challenge, strengthen and renew us. We thank you that we still hear your quiet words whispering to us in the silence of our own hearts. We thank you that through song,

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prayer, preaching, worship mission and service, we are still able to hear your voice. Through fellowship and community, we can feel your presence in what we do and say. We thank you that through Christ's life, work, teaching, death and resurrection you speak to us and that your Holy Spirit inspires, comforts and empowers us each day. We thank you for the times we have felt lost and have felt your hand take hold of us and lead us forward – through difficulties, life problems and illnesses. We thank you for your healing touch. Be with us now, directing our ways so that we may glorify you in all that we do and say. **Amen**

Final Blessing

Go now, striving like Jacob for blessing, persisting as the widow demanding justice. Pray always and do not lose heart. And, the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you all, this and every day. **Amen**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen**

Recessional Hymn

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| <p>1. We have a gospel to proclaim, Good news for men in all the earth; The gospel of a Saviour's name: We sing his glory, tell his worth.</p> <p>2. Tell of his birth at Bethlehem, Not in a royal house or hall, But in a stable dark and dim, The Word made flesh, a light for all.</p> <p>3. Tell of his death at Calvary, Hated by those he came to save; In lonely suffering on the cross: For all he loved, his life he gave.</p> | <p>4. Tell of that glorious Easter morn, Empty the tomb, for he was free; He broke the power of death and hell That we might share his victory.</p> <p>5. Tell of his reign at God's right hand, By all creation glorified. He sends his Spirit on his Church To live for him, the Lamb who died.</p> <p>6. Now we rejoice to name him King: Jesus is Lord of all the earth. This gospel-message we proclaim: We sing his glory, tell his worth.</p> |
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