



# A Liturgy of the Word Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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

## Processional Hymn

Lord of all power, I give you my will,  
in joyful obedience your tasks to fulfil.  
Your bondage is freedom, your service is song,  
and, held in your keeping, my weakness is strong.

Lord of all wisdom, I give you my mind,  
rich truth that surpasses our knowledge to find.  
What eye has not seen and what ear has not heard  
is taught by your Spirit and shines from your word.

Lord of all bounty, I give you my heart;  
I praise and adore you for all you impart:  
your love to inspire me, your counsel to guide,  
your presence to cheer me, whatever betide.

Lord of all being, I give you my all.  
If e'er I disown you, I stumble and fall,  
but, sworn in glad service your word to obey,  
I walk in your freedom to the end of the way.

Author: Jack Copley Winslow

## Opening Prayer

The sinners, the saints; the broken, the whole  
**We all come seeking the One who offers grace and hope.**

The doubters, the devout and the wonderers  
**We all come to follow the One who gives us hope.**

The hesitant, the heroic; the grandparents, the little children  
**We all come to sing songs for joy to the One who gives life and peace**



## Introductory Rite

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Praise the Lord:

**Praise God, you servants of the Lord.**

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**Blessed be God's Name, now and forever.**

## The Gloria

*in Sesotho*

Tlotlo le be ho Molimo  
Ea busang maholimong  
Khotso e be teng lefatsheng  
Ho batho ba lokileng  
Re u boka ka thabo  
Re phehella thorisong  
Gloria! in excelsis Deo!

Re ntse re u khumamela  
Ka tumelo e phelang  
A re rosiseng Molimo  
Tebohong e sa feleng  
U mohloli e moholo  
Ea busang maholimong  
Gloria! in excelsis Deo!

Jesu mora oa Molimo  
U konyana e tlosang  
Libe tsa lefatshe lohle  
Re batla ho u rata  
U re hauhele bohle  
Ba llang mona lefatsheng  
Gloria! in excelsis Deo!



*By Ven Moses Thabethe*



## *The Collect for Purity*

**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*

Morena re hauhele  
Kriste re hauhele  
Morena re hauhele

## *The Penitence*

**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.**



## *The 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*

### **Holy God**

**You govern all things in heaven and on earth:  
enable us to be obedient to your authority  
that serving you in the world  
we will be faithful witnesses of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the  
Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever.  
Amen .**

## *The Word of God*

Exodus 33: 12-23

Psalm 99

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

## *The Gospel Acclamation*

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



## *The Gospel Reading*

Matthew 22:15-22

## *The Sermon*

Being God's People  
by Rev Allie Joseph

## *Affirmation of Faith*

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.  
We believe in God the Son,**



who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.  
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.  
We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

### *Prayers of Intercession*

In the same spirit as Moses and Aaron, Samuel and all your priest and prophets, we too raise our hearts and minds in prayer to you our God:

**For the Church:** May your church be led by priests and prophets, leaders under your guidance and inspiration. There are so many challenges facing the church in the world at this time Lord. May your Holy Spirit lead and guide the archbishops, bishops, the clergy and lay leaders in the different dioceses and parishes all over the world. May we remain true to our vocation and ministry.  
Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

**For those the leaders of the world.** Heavenly Father, as we are instructed to render unto Caesar what belongs to him, we come before your throne of mercy praying for the leaders of our country and leaders of the world. May justice and peace once again be found amongst people everywhere. Strengthen world leaders, that they act justly, with mercy and kindness towards those under their leadership.  
Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

**For the parish of St Michael's.** Hear the prayers of the parish community of St Michael's and bless us. Bless our family units and in particular lord, bless our children and young people. Bless them as they are under a lot of stress to finish the curriculum for this year. Help them manage their time and find strength in their youth to see them through their challenging schedules.  
Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

**For generous hearts.** We count our blessings at this time and as we are preparing to renew our pledges for the new year. You sustained us through this past year Lord. Bless and renew the spirit of generosity in our parish, which is your gift. Make us instruments and agents of your love and mercy wherever we find ourselves.  
Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

**For those in need.** Lord remember those who have been left destitute and in dire straits. Be unto them a God of continual provision. For those who are suffering in war torn countries and regions in the world, even here in our own country Lord, those who suffer because of corruption and greed. Generous God provide for those in need.  
Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

**For those who suffer loss.** We pray for all the sick in hospital and at home and for those who care for them. Extend your hand of healing and protection over us all. For those who have lost loved ones and for those who have died, bring us all to that peace which surpasses all understanding. Eternal rest grant unto Heather Frantz and Teresa Moore who passed away this last week and all those whose year's mind it is.  
Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**



Lord our God, source of every blessing and origin of all, we make our prayer to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

### *Blessing of Offering*

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth.  
Day by day you shower us with blessings.  
As you have raised us to new life in Christ,  
give us glad and generous hearts,  
ready to praise you  
and to respond to those in need,  
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

### *The Lord's Prayer*

**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 that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever. Amen.**

### *Prayer of Thanksgiving*

Gracious God,  
we give you thanks for the love we have received  
from you and from those who love you.  
We give thanks for those who love and care for us,  
giving us a place of belonging, valuing us for who we are.  
We give thanks for the gifts you bestow on our community.  
We give thanks for those who speak and those who do,  
for those who dream and those who find ways of bringing the dreams alive,  
for those who write and those who play, those who make and those who clean up,  
for those who are always before us and those we sometimes forget.  
We give you thanks that we are part of this community,  
able to offer our own abilities and insight.  
Show us new ways we can serve and build your kingdom.  
In Jesus name we pray. **Amen**



## *The Final Blessing*

The Lord be with you

**All And also with you.**

May the love of the Father,  
the tenderness of the Son,  
and the presence of the Spirit,  
gladden your heart  
and bring peace to your soul,  
this day and all days,

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

## *The Dismissal*

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

## *Recessional Hymn*

Lord, the light of your love is shining  
In the midst of the darkness, shining  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us  
Shine on me, shine on me

*Shine, Jesus, shine*

*Fill this land with the Father's glory*

*Blaze, Spirit, blaze*

*Set our hearts on fire*

*Flow, river, flow*

*Flood the nations with grace and mercy*

*Send forth your word*

*Lord, and let there be light*



Lord, I come to your awesome presence  
From the shadows into your radiance  
By the blood I may enter your brightness  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness  
Shine on me, shine on me

*Shine, Jesus, shine*

*Fill this land with the Father's glory*

*Blaze, Spirit, blaze*

*Set our hearts on fire*



Flow, river, flow  
Flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth your word  
Lord, and let there be light

As we gaze on your kingly brightness  
So our faces display your likeness  
Ever changing from glory to glory  
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story  
Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine  
Fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze  
Set our hearts on fire  
Flow, river, flow  
Flood the nations with grace and mercy  
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Graham Kendrick (1987)

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