



A Liturgy of the Word Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

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SERMON

Processional Hymn

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

1. Come unto Me, and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon My breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
Weary, and worn, and sad;
I found in Him a resting-place,
And He has made me glad.
2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
The living water: thirsty one,
Stoop down, and drink, and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.
3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's Light;
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,
And all thy day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my Star, my Sun;
And in that Light of life I'll walk
Till trav'ling days are done

Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)



Call to Worship

One: God is all mercy and grace

All: Slow to anger and rich in love.

One: God is good to one and all

All: Everything God does is filled with grace.

One: God provides help for us in moments of trouble—

All: And gives a fresh start to those who feel like giving up.

One: Come, let us worship God!

All: Let us lift our voices in praise and thanksgiving

Opening Prayer

All: God of compassion and understanding,
Our lives have slowed down in the pandemic,
and yet we struggle to hear your voice.
We are caught up in our own situations
and fail to consider what others face.
Distracted by daily news and the uncertainty around us,
we forget to come to you in prayer
and offer that uncertainty to you.
In these slower days of community life,
teach us how to savour the freedom of your presence.
Help us enter your rhythm of grace and salvation
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Introductory Rite

The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Praise the Lord:

All: Praise God, you servants of the Lord.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All: Blessed be God's Name, now and forever





The Gloria

All: Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin
of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God
the Father. Amen

Collect for Purity

All: 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 utlwele bohloko x2

Kriste o re utlwele bohloko x2

Morena, re utlwele bohloko x2



The Penitence

Let us ask pardon from the Lord for all the times when our shortcomings kept us from letting the light of Christ shine in the world.

All: **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

All: **O God our Saviour,**
You reveal your salvation through Jesus Christ,
Our wisdom and strength:
Teach us to shoulder our burdens
and give us the strength to carry each other
as you have carried us.
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

- Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67
- Psalm 45: 10-17
- Romans 7: 15-25a



Gospel Reading

Matthew 11:16-19; 25-30

Thloni Mhango

Sermon

The Yoke of Jesus - We've Only Just Begun

Reverend Margaret Place

Affirmation of Faith

All: 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

Chorus: Ukuthula

Ukuthula kulo mhlaba wezono (Aleluya) igazi likaJesu linyenyez' ukuthula
Peace in this world of sin (Halleluja) the blood of Jesus brings peace

Usindiso kulo mhlaba wezono (Aleluya) igazi likaJesu linyenyez' usindiso
Redemption in this world of sin (Halleluja) the blood of Jesus brings redemption

Ukubonga kulo mhlaba wezono (Aleluya) igazi likaJesu linyenyez' ukubonga
Praise (gratefulness) in this world of sin (Halleluja) the blood of Jesus brings praise (gratefulness)

Ukukholwa kulo mhlaba wezono (Aleluya) igazi likaJesu linyenyez' ukukholwa
Faith in this world of sin (Halleluja) the blood of Jesus brings

Ukunqoba kulo mhlaba wezono (Aleluya) igazi likaJesu linyenyez' ukunqoba
Victory in this world of sin (Halleluja) the blood of Jesus brings

Induduzo kulo mhlaba wezono (Aleluya) igazi likaJesu linyenyez' induduzo
Comfort in this world of sin (Halleluja) the blood of Jesus brings



Prayers of Intercession

Prayers to led by Ven. Moses Thabethe alongside the parish ministers

- **Itumeleng Phalane** - Bidding and prayers for the universal church, the local church and parish
- **David Grant** - For faith leaders and for those in authority and government
- **Anne Viljoen** - For the needs of the world, our nation and community
- **Jane Badham** - For God's mercy and salvation, for the sick, for the dying and the bereaved
- **Rob Adams** - For generosity in our hearts and actions
- **Kate Powell** - For sustaining us in the week ahead and for God's blessing

Blessing for the Offering

God of love and provision, in deep gratitude for life and for all the blessings that come from you, we offer back to you some measure of what we have been given. Accept our offerings and use them and use us for the building up of your kingdom in this world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

All 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

Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Final Blessing

Go now at the call of Christ.
Take his yoke upon you and learn from him;
Dance when he sings and mourn when he cries.
Be generous in your hospitality to all:
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.



Recessional Hymn

We have a Gospel to proclaim

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.

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.

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.

4. Tell of that glorious Easter moon,
Empty the tomb, for He was free.
He broke the power of death and hell
That we might share His victory.

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.

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.

Edward J Burns (1938)



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