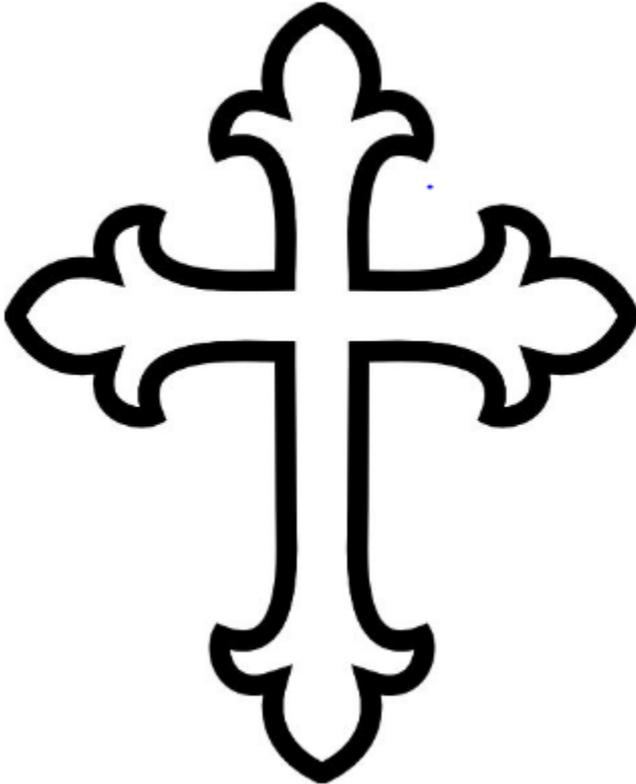


PENTECOST XV

September 13, 2020

10:00 a.m.

The Liturgy of the Word: Rite II



We are delighted to welcome you to our online liturgy. During this time of Shelter in Place, we regret our worship will not include Holy Communion. Nonetheless, we remain one in the Spirit.

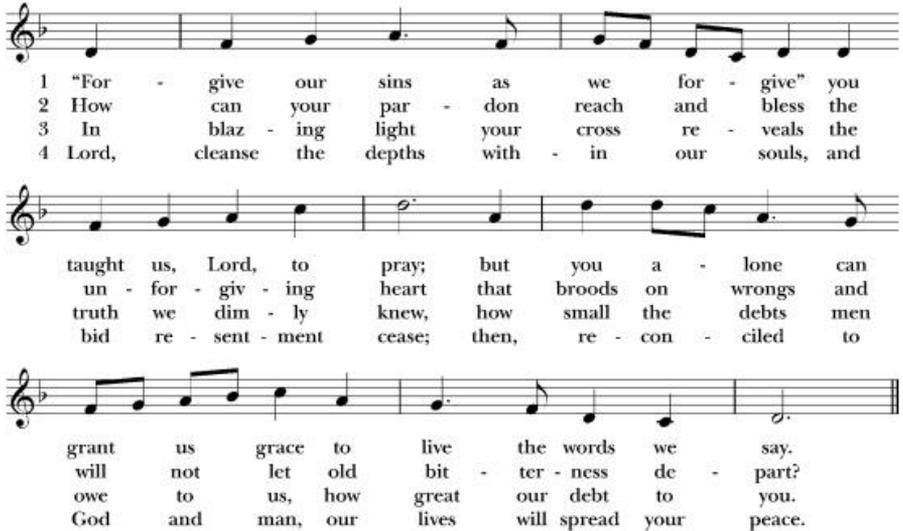
The Prelude: Can A Little Child Like Me

Welcome

The Introit Hymn:

Forgive Our Sins

Hymnal #674



1 "For - give our sins as we for - give" you
2 How can your par - don reach and bless the
3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the
4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls, and

taught us, Lord, to pray; but you a - lone can
un - for - giv - ing heart that broods on wrongs and
truth we dim - ly knew; how small the debts men
bid re - sent - ment cease; then, re - con - ciled to

grant us grace to live the words we say.
will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
owe to us, how great our debt to you.
God and man, our lives will spread your peace.

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The people standing

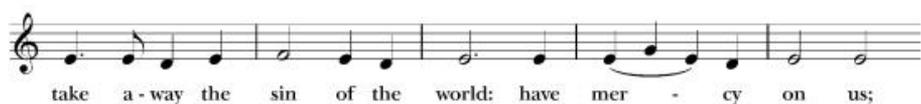
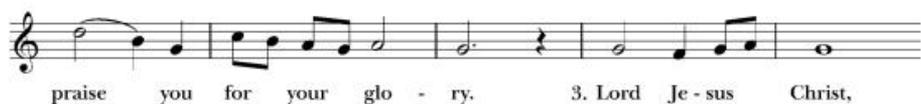
Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

**All: O God, whose light divides the day from the night,
and turns the shadow of death into morning,
open our lips to sing your praise
and our hearts to receive your word
that we may come before you in truth and sincerity of heart;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**



ceive our prayer. 6. For

you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the

Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of

God the Fa-ther. Amen.

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The Collect of the Day

BCP, Page 232

The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

People ***Amen.***

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

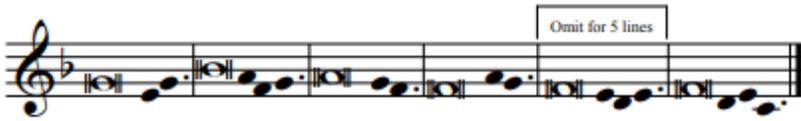
Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm: *In exitu Israel*

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Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt,
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
Judah became God's sanctuary
and Israel his dominion.
The sea beheld it and fled;
Jordan turned and went back.

The mountains skipped like rams,
and the little hills like young sheep.
What ailed you, O sea, that you fled?
O Jordan, that you turned back?
You mountains, that you skipped like rams?
you little hills like young sheep?

Tremble, O earth,
at the presence of the Lord,
at the presence of the God of Jacob,
Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water [5-line]
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

The Epistle: *Romans*

14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader: **The Word of the Lord.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel: *Matthew*

18:21-35

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as

seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

All Stand

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

An Affirmation of Faith

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God and son of Mary:

**Though he was divine, he did not cling to equality with God,
but made himself nothing.**

**Taking the form of a slave,
He was born in human likeness.
He humbled himself and was obedient to death,
even the death of the cross.
Therefore God has raised him on high,
and given him the name above every name:
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven, and on earth, and under the earth,
and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

The Intercessions:

Priest: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Intercessor: Rejoice in the waters of life, those who honor God in all things, and raise your voices in prayer, responding, “Lord, hear our prayer.”

In thanksgiving for this holy day where we gather as a household of faith to hear the word of God with open minds and grateful hearts, being especially grateful for Marc, our Bishop; for the clergy, vestry, and people of St Ambrose’s, and all our neighbors; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

In thanksgiving for the arms of forgiveness that embrace us in the midst of our sin, leading us to repentance, and filling us with the waters of mercy through which we will forgive others; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For honesty in government, and integrity in our dealings with one another, that trust may be restored between people and throughout the institutions of our society; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That we may commit ourselves to a life of simplicity, so that we may provide for the needs of the poor and hungry, as Jesus provided

nourishment and hope to his followers; praying especially for everyone affected by the wildfires all around us; and in our cycle of prayer, remembering especially Gee, Peggy, Yvonne, and all who have asked us to pray for them, let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That we may share our spiritual doubts with one another, convinced that in our mutual self-disclosure we will be strengthened in faith and grow in the conviction that God's love can forgive all things and transforms all life; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

In thanksgiving for those who are teachers and catechists in our Church, especially for the teachers and staff of the SeaBreeze school; may they be given the blessing of knowledge and wisdom, as they bear the Christian message to those in their charge; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That the dead may be redeemed from the grave, and wear the crown of eternal life; remembering especially this morning, **Gillian Richard** and all our loved ones and benefactors who are now upon that far distant shore, let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For what else shall we pray? [*Silence & retreat*]

The Priest adds a concluding Collect:

O God of power, in the needs and concerns of every friend and stranger, reveal to us the longings of your Christ, our Passover and our Peace, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. **Amen.**

The Confession & Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Let us call to mind our mistakes and our need for God's mercy.
(*Silence*)

You bring life to those who are dead in sin. Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

You bring light to those in darkness. Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

You guide us by a pillar of cloud and a pillar of fire. Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: (+) Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: ***And also with you.***

The Offertory: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due God's name; bring offerings and come into God's courts.

Refrain:

**Save us, O Lord; carry us back.
Rouse your power and come.
Rescue your people; show us your face.
Bring us back.**

Verses:

O Shepherd of Israel, hear us.
Return and we shall be saved.
Arise, O Lord;
hear our cries, O Lord:
bring us back! (**Refrain**)

How long will you hide from your people?
We long to see your face.
Give ear to us.
Draw near to us.
Lord God of hosts! (**Refrain**)

Turn again; care for your vine;
protect what your right hand has planted.
Your vineyards are trampled,
uprooted, and burned.
Come to us, Father of might! (**Refrain**)

*Paraphrase of [Psalm 80](#)
Composer: [Bob Dufford](#) (1981)*

Priest: And now, as our Savior Christ taught us, we are bold to say:

**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
forever and ever. Amen**

The Announcements

The Benediction:

May God keep you in all your days.
May Christ shield you in all your ways.
May the Spirit bring you healing and peace.
May God the Holy Trinity, (+) Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
drive all darkness from you,
and pour upon you blessing and light.
Amen.



1 Dear Lord and Fa - ther of man - kind, for -
2 In sim - ple trust like theirs who heard, be -
3 O Sab - bath rest by Gal - i - lee! O
4 Drop thy still dews of qui - et - ness, till
5 Breathe through the heats of our de - sire thy



1 give our fool - ish ways! Re - clothe us in our
2 side the Syr - ian sea, the gra - cious call - ing
3 calm of hills a - bove, where Je - sus knelt to
4 all our striv - ings cease; take from our souls the
5 cool - ness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let



1 right - ful mind, in pur - er lives thy ser - vice find, in
2 of the Lord, let us, like them, with - out a word, rise
3 share with thee the si - lence of e - ter - ni - ty in -
4 strain and stress, and let our or - dered lives con - fess the
5 flesh re - tire; speak through the earth - quake, wind, and fire, O



1 deep - er rev - erence, praise, in deep - er rev - erence, praise.
2 up and fol - low thee, rise up and fol - low thee.
3 ter - pret - ed by love! in - ter - pret - ed by love!
4 beau - ty of thy peace, the beau - ty of thy peace.
5 still, small voice of calm, O still, small voice of calm.

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The Dismissal

Priest: Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

Sunday, September 13, 11:00 am: Zoom Coffee Hour, Contact ShelleyKeefe at onyourtoz@gmail.com or 650 787-7614

Join Zoom Meeting with the following link below:

[Zoom Coffee Hour Link](#)

Meeting ID: 842 7401 5203

Passcode: 479439

Sunday, September 13, 4:00 pm Zoom Youth Group Meeting. For Zoom link, please contact Daniel Tate at ym_stambrosefc@att.net or 650-799-7084

THIS WEEK

Monday, September 14, 1:00 pm Zoom Bible Study. For Zoom link, please contact Daniel Tate at dtate@ses.cdsp.edu or 650-799-7084

Prayer list: We pray especially for Gee, Peggy Redmond, Yvonne Sidell, Jerelyn Weber, Charlene Adolph, Miles Martin, Frank Brown, Barbara and John Milligan, and Ed Avakoff.

[Please contact the parish office to add any names of the sick and suffering to be prayed for in our monthly cycle of prayer.]

The Altar Flowers are given by

Anita and Robert Richards in loving memory of Gillian Richard's death on September 16th.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for:

The Anglican Provinces of Kenya, Nigeria, England, South Sudan, Melanesia, South Sudan, Canada, Kenya, Burundi, Tanzania, and the Anglican Church of Korea and the Anglican Communion in Japan

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for:

The Revs Thomas Jackson, Kerri Meyer, Robert Switz, Theolinda Knight and Vincent Pizzuto Ph.D.

In the Diocesan cycle of California

We pray for the congregation of St. Cyprian's, San Francisco; Holy Cross, Castro Valley; and St. Stephen's Orinda

The Mission of St. Ambrose Church of Foster City

Is to proclaim the Good News of God
in Jesus Christ as we care for each other and
our larger community. We worship in the
Episcopal and Anglican tradition, extending
an open and inclusive invitation to all
people, welcoming children into our church family
and serving those in need.

Blessing

Life is short, and we do not have much time
to gladden the hearts of those who walk the way with us.
So, let us be swift to love. Make haste to be kind.
And the blessing of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit be among you
always. *Amen.*

Worship Leaders Thank You to Each of You

The Rev'd Dr Shane Scott-Hamblen, *Interim Rector*

Jim Neubert, Lector

Cathy Rincon/David McIntyre, Intercessor

Hamilton Fong, Cantor

Frank Saunders, Organist

Lydia McIntyre, Technician

Thank you to the Worship Team and virtual congregation for joining in
worship.

Lector/Intercessor Rota:

13 Sept: (R)Cathy Rincon/David McIntyre

Jim Neubert (I)

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