



Church@Home
4th October 2020
Pentecost 18, Year A
9am

SONG: AT325 “Sing to God with joy and gladness”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Y2luvB6CNU>

***Sing to God, with joy and gladness,
hymns and psalms of gratitude.
With the voice of praise discover
that to worship God is good.***

**God unites his scattered people,
gathers those who wandered far,
heals the hurt and broken spirits,
tending every wound and scar.**

**Such is God’s great power and wisdom
none can calculate or tell.
Keen is God to ground the wicked
and with humble folk to dwell.**

**God, with clouds, the sky has curtained,
thus ensuring rain shall fall.
Earth, responding, grows to order
food for creatures great and small.**

**God’s discernment never favours
strength or speed to lift or move.
God delights in those who fear him,
trusting in his steadfast love.**

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WELCOME

GREET ONE ANOTHER

HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN THE NAME

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

WE CONFESS, GOD FORGIVES

Children of God, let's ask our Father to forgive our sins, because Jesus Christ is our Lord, who has died and risen again for us.

Lord God, our heavenly Father, we confess to you that we are sinful. And we have sinned against you in many ways – in our thoughts and in our words, in what we have done, and in what we have failed to do. Have mercy and forgive us. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, Lord; help us to obey you, keep us from all evil, and bring us to eternal life. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

God has had mercy on us. He loves us, and has given his son to die for us. So, by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Peace be with you!

Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Lord God,
you have planted your church
to be a flourishing fruitful vineyard.
Make us loyal and productive,
doing the work you have given us to do.
We ask this through your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

THEME OF THE DAY: Philippians 3:4b – 14
 “Garbage Out! God In!”

WE LISTEN – BIBLE READINGS

[Isaiah 5:1 – 7](#)

[Philippians 3:4b – 14](#)

RESPONSE

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

WE LISTEN – GOSPEL READING

Matthew 22:1 – 14

This is the gospel of the Lord
Praise be to you, O Christ

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

WE BELIEVE

Let's stand and confess our faith together in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty,
from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

SONG: "Speak, O Lord"

<https://youtu.be/ubRIJj8xkds>

**Speak, O Lord,
as we come to You,
To receive the food
of Your Holy Word.
Take Your Truth,
plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us
in Your Likeness;
That the light of Christ
might be seen today
In our acts of love
and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord,
and fulfil in us
All Your purposes
for Your glory.**

**Teach us, Lord,
full obedience,
Holy reverence,
true humility.
Test our thoughts
and our attitudes
in the radiance
of Your purity,
Cause our faith to rise,
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love
and authority.
Words of power
that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail
over unbelief.**

**Speak, O Lord
and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights
of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged
from the dawn of time,
That will echo down
through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand
on Your promises;
And by faith we'll walk
as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord,
till Your church is built,
And the earth is filled
with Your glory.**

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TODAYS MESSAGE

**Philippians 3:4b – 14
“Garbage Out! God In!”**

There is no video recording for the message this week. Please refer to the attached sermon in pdf format: October 4_20202 Sermon on Phil 3 4b-14.pdf.

SONG: AT345 “Nothing but the blood of Jesus”

<https://youtu.be/-Cvv5uDOzvM>

**What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

***Oh! precious is the flow
that makes me white as snow;
no other fount I know
nothing but the blood of Jesus***

**For my pardon this I see:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
for my cleansing, this my plea:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

Chorus:

**This is all my hope and peace:
nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is all my righteousness:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

Chorus:

(repeat)

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WE GIVE – The Offering

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray:

**Thank you, Lord, for making us members of your kingdom
and calling us to be tenants in your vineyard.
Help us to remember that you are the owner of the vineyard,
the Lord of our lives,
and we are responsible to you.
Make us obedient and productive,
serving you and other people.
Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

Call to prayer

God has given us righteousness through faith in Christ. Let us pray to him with confidence, trusting that he hears the prayers we offer in Jesus' name.

The regular response, OR:

Father, hear our prayer,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Suggested intercessions

- * for the church, that it may always remember that it exists for and because of Christ
- * for those who are persecuted for their faith

- * for our law makers and legislators, that they may respect the law of God
- * for athletes, sports men and women, and for all who manage and control sporting events
- * for school students on holiday

Concluding prayer

Lord, you give us confidence in you, a confidence that is based on the righteousness you have given us in Christ. Receive our prayer, and give your healing mercy to all who are in need. We pray in Jesus' name.
Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and watch over you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favour and give you peace.

Amen

SONG: LHS844 “Sent out by God’s blessing”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1aSknWFpwwg>

**Sent out by God’s blessing, our true faith confessing,
 the people of God from his dwelling take leave.
 The supper is ended; O now be extended
 the fruits of this service in all who believe.
 The seed of his teaching, receptive souls reaching,
 shall blossom in action for God and for all,
 His grace did invite us, his love shall unite us
 to work for God’s kingdom and answer his call.**

**With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living,
 the tasks of our everyday life we will face.
 Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
 embracing his children of each tribe and race.
 With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us;
 unite us as one in this life that we share.
 Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
 give honour to Christ and his name that we bear.**

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 Music: Traditional Welsh Melody*