

THE TEN O'CLOCK SERVICE
ST. MARK'S IN-THE VALLEY

JUNE 20, 2021, THE 4th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, LECTIONARY: PROPER 7, YEAR B

THE HOLY EUCHARIST
THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude *Voluntary in C*

Johann Christoph Pepusch

BEVERLY STAPLES, *organist*

Opening Acclamation (*standing, as able*)

Leader Blessed be the ☩ one, holy, and living God.

All **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day (*standing, as able*)

Leader God is here.

All **God's spirit is with us.**

Leader Let us pray.

Leader Saving God, entering the flood and storm of chaos and confusion: speak peace to our fearful hearts that we might find our faith in the One whose word brings rest to all creation; through Jesus Christ, lord of wind and wave.

All **Amen.**

from Prayers for an Inclusive Church, Steven Shakespeare

The Readings

First Reading (*seated*)

Job 38:1-11

Reader A reading from Genesis

Then God answered Job from the heart of the storm: ² who is this obscuring my plans with such ignorant words? ³ Hitch up your belt like the fighter you are; now I will ask the questions and you will answer me! ⁴ Where were you when I created the earth? If you know the answer, tell me! ⁵ Who decided its size? Do you know? Who stretched the measuring line across it? ⁶ Into what foundation were its pillars sunk? Who laid the cornerstone ⁷ while all the choruses of morning stars sang and the heavenly court shouted for joy? ⁸ And who held back the sea behind partitions when it burst forth from my womb, ⁹ when I created clouds as the earth's raiment and thick darkness as its swaddling clothes — ¹⁰ when I drew limits around the waters and locked the partitions in place ¹¹ and said, "This far and no more; this is where your mighty waves stay"?

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32 (*please join in praying the psalm responsively by whole verses*)

Leader ¹ "Give thanks for GOD's goodness;
God's love endures forever!"

All ² **Let these be the words of GOD's redeemed,
those redeemed from the oppressor's clutches,**

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- Leader* 3 those brought home from foreign lands,
 from east and west, from northern lands and southern seas.
- All* 23 **some went down to the sea in ships,
 plying their trade across the ocean;**
- Leader* 24 they too saw the works of GOD,
 the wonders that God worked on the Deep!
- All* 25 **God spoke and raised a storm wind,
 lashing up towering waves.**
- Leader* 26 Flung to the sky, then plunged to the depths,
 in the ordeal their courage melted away.
- All* 27 **they staggered and reeled like drunkards
 with all their skill adrift.**
- Leader* 28 then they called to GOD in their trouble,
 and God rescued them from their sufferings,
- All* 29 **reducing the storm to a whisper
 until the waves of the sea were hushed;**
- Leader* 30 overjoyed with the calm, they were brought safe
 to the port they were bound for.
- All* 31 **Let them thank God for this great love,
 for the marvels done for all people.**
- Leader* 32 Let them praise God in the Great Assembly
 and give praise in the Council of Elders.

The Gospel (*standing, as able*)

Mark 4:35-41

Reader The ✠ Holy Gospel of our ✠ Savior Jesus Christ ✠ according to Mark.

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

35 With the coming of evening that same day, Jesus said to the disciples, "Let's cross over to the other shore." 36 Leaving the crowd behind, they took Jesus in the boat in which he was sitting. There were other boats with them. 37 Then a fierce gale arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat so much that it was almost swamped. 38 But Jesus was in the stern through it all, sound asleep on a cushion. They woke him and said, "Teacher, doesn't it matter to you that we're going to drown?" 39 Jesus awoke, rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be calm!" And the wind dropped and everything was perfectly calm. 40 Jesus then said to the disciples, "Why were you so frightened? Have you no faith?" 41 But they became filled with fear and said to one another, "Who is this, whom even the wind and sea obey?"

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon (*seated*)

Affirmation of Faith (*standing, as able*)

Leader We are not alone; we live in God's world.

People **We believe in God:**

**who has created and is creating
who has come in Jesus,
the word made flesh,**

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**to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

We are called to be Christ's Body:

to celebrate God's presence,

to love and serve others

to seek justice and resist evil,

to reveal Christ in this world,

crucified and risen,

our support and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

Based on A New Creed, United
Church of Canada, 1980

The Prayers of the People (standing, as able)

Leader God, we are here in this realm of contrast, relativity, and duality,

All **Learning to recognize ourselves -**

Leader You in us, us in you.

All **You flung open your heart to us!**

Leader Here we behold paradox:

All **We are honored and dishonored;**

Leader Treated as impostors, yet we are true;

All **Unknown and yet well-known;**

Leader Dying, yet alive;

All **Oppressed, yet not killed;**

Leader Sorrowful, yet always rejoicing;

All **Poor, yet making many rich;**

Leader Having nothing, yet possessing everything.

All **Limited, yet unrestricted.**¹

Leader And we are re-remembering - putting together again -

All **The truth of ourselves in light of all this contrast;**

Leader Giving ourselves our truest and best stories, thoughts, regards,

All **Learning to live from our most authentic nature:**

Leader God-breathed, God-affirmed, God-welcomed,

All **God-beloved, God-inhabited, God-embodied.**

Leader When we can do this,

All **Our hearts are wide open.**

Leader Hearts wide open, we rest in spite of chaos²

All **Hearts wide open, we forgive everything.**

Leader Hearts wide open, we bless all.

All **Hearts wide open, we love unconditionally.**

Leader You've modeled for us how to be this open-hearted,

All **To go about full of love, joy, peace, acceptance,**

Leader And gratitude! We give thanks for all this experience

All **That leads us home to our open hearts. Amen.**

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1. 2 Corinthians 6:8-11
2. Mark 4:37-38

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Confession and Absolution (*kneeling, as able*)

Leader Let us confess our sins to God.

A period of reflective quiet will be kept.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Leader ✠ Almighty God has mercy on us, forgives us our sins, and brings us to everlasting life.

All **Amen.**

The Peace (*standing, as able*)

Leader The peace of Christ be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

*All are invited to greet one another
and to share a sign of peace.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

At the Offertory Let us give, as each is able, according to the blessings God has given us.

Voluntary *You'll Never Walk Alone*

Oscar Hammerstein, Richard Rodgers

NICHOLE DECHAIINE, soprano, BEVERLY STAPLES, pianist

When you walk through a storm,
hold your head up high
And don't be afraid of the dark,
At the end of the storm is a golden sky
And the sweet, silver song of a lark.

Walk on through the wind, walk on through the rain,
Though your dreams be tossed and blown.
Walk on, walk on, with hope in your heart,
And you'll never walk alone, you'll never walk alone.

Prayer for Birthdays and Anniversaries

At the Offertory

Leader Blessed are you, God of all creation; through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings to love and serve the world.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

The Great Thanksgiving (*standing, as able*)

Leader God is here.

All **God's Spirit is with us.**

Leader Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to God.**

Leader Let us give thanks to God our Savior.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader O God, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior. His living, dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and saying:

All **Holy, holy, holy: God of mercy, giver of life; earth, sea, sky, and all that lives declare your presence and your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

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We praise and bless you, loving Creator, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we gather at this holy table, send your Holy Spirit, that this broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you: This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this in the remembrance of me.

So, Holy One, we remember all that Jesus was and did, in him we embrace with confidence his coming among all of us as one of us, his birth, life, and self-offering upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

All ***Living and dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life; Lord Jesus, come in glory.***

Continue to look with favor on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with Blessed Mark, Blessed Mary of Magdala, Blessed Mary, Mother of Jesus, and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, for ever and ever.

All ***AMEN.***

Leader And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Side 1 Our Father

Side 2 *Our Creator*

Side 1 Who art in heaven

Side 2 *Who is in all the earth*

Side 1 Hallowed be thy name

Side 2 *Holy is your truth*

Side 1 Thy kingdom come

Side 2 *May your wisdom come*

Side 1 Thy will be done, on earth
 as it is in heaven

Side 2 *Your circle be one,
 uniting heaven and earth*

Side 1 Give us this day our daily bread

Side 2 *Give us today a nurturing spirit*

Side 1 And forgive us our trespasses
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us

Side 2 *Heal through us
 as we ourselves are healed*

Side 1 – nearest the doors Side 2 – nearest the windows
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PROUDLY PRESENTS

SANTA YNEZ VALLEY CONCERT SERIES

Transformation

Celebrating the return of live concerts

Saturday, June 26, 2021 at 5 pm

ANI AZNAVOORIAN & ROBERT CASSIDY



With great pleasure the Santa Ynez Valley Concert Series is presenting its first live concert since the pandemic began. Artistic Director and pianist Robert Cassidy, and cellist extraordinaire Ani Aznavoorian will perform three transformative works for cello and piano in the beautiful space of St. Mark's. Beethoven's Sonata in C Major, Op 102 #1, Debussy's Sonata for Cello and Piano, and Brahms' Sonata in E Minor, Op. 38, are featured on the program, and are each master works to nourish the soul. Life has changed for all due to Covid-19, but music remains to help us carry on.

Come, listen, and enjoy! Admission is free. Donations are welcome.

Concert Sponsors: Joan Davidson, Price, Postel & Parma, LLP, & Anonymous

Open Seating. Free tickets at the door & available by advance reservation.

Doors open at 4:30 pm. Those who wish to reserve in advance may do so at www.smitv.org/syv-concert-series.html

A recording of this concert will be available for view on our website beginning July 3

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One block from the flagpole and next to Mattei's Tavern

www.smitv.org

A few standing announcements

Text or call the Rector at 805-245-4921 or email randall@smitv.org

Our website has LOADS of information and things you can do – so does our app!

There's so much you can see and do on our website and our app – from getting tickets for a concert to signing up to host refreshments, registering children for Sunday School to seeing the whole parish calendar. The news each week is also there... **Check it out at smitv.org.**

Scheduling building or equipment use on our calendar? Easy!

Be sure to schedule any event that uses space at St. Mark's, as well as tables, chairs and linens to avoid a conflict and inconvenience for you and your group. **Go to our website, smitv.org** and use the **QuickLink** on the home page. **Alternatively, email Silvia Lucatero at silvia@smitv.org**: 1) Date 2) time 3) space and equipment requested, and 4) your contact email and phone.

Sharing an announcement with the parish? Easy!

It's easy to share your announcement with the parish through the **eRoar** (email), **Little Roar** (print) as well as on our **website** and **app**! **Write** what you want to say; don't worry about formatting. **Email it by Wednesday to Paula Hunsicker at pkhunsicker@icloud.com.**

Donations of food and basic personal care items needed each week.

Please consider basic personal care items such as soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, diapers, and such as well as regular food items. Ongoing needs are jam, spaghetti sauce, juice and cereal, peanut butter, granola bars, soups and canned chicken are always welcome items. Adding one or more non-perishable food items to your cart each week and bringing it to St. Mark's can be a great help to Santa Ynez Valley neighbors in need. Many in our area who live on fixed incomes can pay all their bills but don't have enough left for food and other necessities.

How do the prayer list and prayer group work?

To keep the prayer list current, we keep names on it for **a month** (extended as often as you wish). We also have an **email prayer group** that receives prayer requests as they come in. Go to our website, and **click the QuickLink on our home page, smitv.org**. Alternatively, join the prayer group and send prayer requests by writing **Jeannie May** at jeannie@the100acrewood.com.

Did you know?

Gluten-free bread available at the altar

Gluten-free bread is available at the altar at any service. Thank you to our Altar Guild for providing this option. Simply let the priest presiding at the Eucharist know your preference.

Clergy Sabbath is Monday

St. Mark's agreement with the Rector specifies two days off each week, one of which is directed to be a full 24-hour period. **Monday** is that day. You can help St. Mark's honor its agreement by scheduling meetings, special visits, calls and email on days other than Monday.