

The Third Sunday after Pentecost
and
Recognition of Sunday School



June 13, 2021

10:30 a.m.

OPENING HYMN

God of little things



1. God of lit - tle things— the seed we bare - ly see— that
 2. God of lit - tle things— a lunch of fish and bread— that
 3. God of lit - tle things— the spar - row in her flight— whose
 4. God of lit - tle things— who nur - tures what seems small to



sprouts up from a ti - ny shoot to form a might - y tree: ac -
 blessed and bro - ken by your child can keep five thou - sand fed. re -
 rise and fall, though seen by few, is pre - cious in your sight: in -
 raise and tend a bound - less reign with room e - nough for all ex -



cept our seed - ling faith, the scar - ci - ty we sow, and
 ceive our mea - ger faith, the truth we trust the least, and
 spire our fledg - ling faith to o - pen and take wing, for
 pand our bound - ed faith be - yond its nar - row scope, for



God of lit - tle things, come help our small - ness grow.
 God of lit - tle things, from small - ness make a feast.
 God of lit - tle things, you make our small - ness sing.
 God of lit - tle things, in small - ness blos - soms hope.

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

Officiant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 230

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 17:22-24

Lector A reading from Ezekiel.

Thus says the LORD God:

I myself will take a sprig
from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out.
I will break off a tender one
from the topmost of its young twigs;
I myself will plant it
on a high and lofty mountain.
On the mountain height of Israel,
I will plant it,
in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,
and become a noble cedar.
Under it every kind of bird will live;
in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind.
All the trees of the field shall know
that I am the LORD.
I bring low the high tree,
I make high the low tree;
I dry up the green tree
and make the dry tree flourish.
I the LORD have spoken;
I will accomplish it.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 92:1-4,11-14

1 It is a good thing to give thanks to the LORD, *
and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High,
2 To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning *
and of your faithfulness in the night season,
3 on the psaltery, and on the lyre, *
and to the melody of the harp.
4 For you have made me glad by your acts, O LORD, *
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.
11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, *
and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.
12 Those who are planted in the house of the LORD *
shall flourish in the courts of our God.
13 They shall still bear fruit in old age; *
they shall be green and succulent.
14 That they may show how upright the LORD is, *
my Rock, in whom there is no fault.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:6-10,14-17

God's Word, My Voice

Lector A reading from Second Corinthians.

We are always sure of ourselves, even if we can't see the Lord any longer. Because now we walk forward by faith and not by sight. We would rather be with Jesus where he is now, full time, that's for sure. But whatever we're doing, wherever we are, we work at pleasing him. Jesus will see how we've done in the end. Christ's love inside pushes us to do good. After all, he died for everyone, so that no one has to live just for now and just for themselves, but can live a life with purpose for the one who died and was raised for them. From now on, let's look at people through God's eyes. If anyone believes in Christ, he, she, or they are a new creation. Everything about them has changed. Everything has become new.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

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

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

NICENE CREED

Officiant Let us affirm the faith of the Church, saying the Nicene Creed.

All **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

adapted from Form II, BCP 385

Reader I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for all people of Christ Church Detroit, past, present, and future; for Emily, Anthony, and David our priests; for Bonnie our bishop, Michael our presiding bishop, and all who minister according to your Word.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

Reader I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations, especially in our country and city, and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Reader I ask your prayers for students, educators, and families who are completing this strange and demanding school year.

I ask your thanksgiving for those who dedicate themselves to teaching and supporting our youth and learners of all ages.

I ask your thanksgiving for those who are graduating from schools or other programs of study, including Olivia Benbow, Eric Jackson, and those we now name.

Silence

Pray for light and courage.

Reader I ask your thanksgiving for those who celebrate birthdays this week, including *Jim Fleming, Logan Hughes, Barbara Perez, Tim Bledsoe, Phil Brown*, and those we now name.

Silence

Pray for joy and love.

Reader I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble, especially *Marie Abdulla, Pat Ald, Gloria Atherton, Ismat Begum, Claire Brown, Daniel, David Dieter, Trevor Esse, Sean Farley, Debbie Faust, Vincent Faust, Ed Gaspar, Michael Jenkins, Kelly, Lauren Keils, Lucinda Keils, Matthew Klein, Martin, Arnold Matthews, Sue Ann Parkinson, Parker Roberts, Christine Rogers, Kathleen S., Bill Solomon, Owen Sprague, Gregg Stewart, Glen Swanson, John T., Mimi Van Scoter, Bob Vitolins, Megan White*, and those we now name.

Silence

Pray for grace and strength.

Reader I ask your prayers for the departed, especially those we now name.

Silence

Pray for rest and embrace.

Reader Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Officiant Redeeming Sustainer, visit your people and pour out your strength and courage upon us, that we may hurry to make you welcome not only in our concern for others, but by serving them generously and faithfully in your name. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may 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.**

Officiant 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.

All **Amen.**

PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people share with one another signs of Christ's peace.

GREETINGS

OFFERTORY

BCP 377

Officiant Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

*Please give generously at christcd.org/online-giving
or by mailing a check to Christ Church Detroit, 960 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit, 48207.*

May God bless and keep you always, may your wishes all come true.

May you always do for others and let others do for you.

May you build a ladder to the stars and climb on every rung,

And may you stay forever young.

May you grow up to be righteous, may you grow up to be true.

May you always know the truth and see the lights surrounding you.

May you always be courageous, stand upright, and be strong,

And may you stay forever young.

May your hands always be busy, may your feet always be swift.

May you have a strong foundation when the winds of changes shift.

May your heart always be joyful, may your song always be sung,

And may you stay forever young.

PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow! Praise him, all creatures here below!

Praise him above, ye heavenly host! Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, for you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal

Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice to the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

Celebrant and People

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say
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 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, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

BCP 364

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

The priest does not receive, but begins the Prayer for Spiritual Communion.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Common Worship

Celebrant Risen Lord, you are known in the breaking of the bread.
All **Even as we are in different places and cannot consume
these gifts of bread and wine together,
we thank you that we do receive the sacrament of your presence,
the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of your glorious resurrection.
By the power of the Holy Spirit,
may we embody your desire and be renewed for your service. Amen.**

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Celebrant Almighty God, may your true and tender presence
strengthen us in faith, nourish us in hope, and make us grow in love.
Amen.

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

Just a little talk with Jesus

Lift Every Voice and Sing 83

I once was lost in sin but Jesus took me in,
and then a little light from heaven filled my soul.
It bathed my heart in love and wrote my name above,
and just a little talk with Jesus made me whole.

*Now let us have a little talk with Jesus,
let us tell him all about our troubles.*

*He will hear our faintest cry,
and he will answer by and by.*

*Now when you feel a little pray'r wheel turning,
and you know a little fire is burning,
you will find a little talk with Jesus makes it right.*

I may have doubts and fears, my eyes be filled with tears,
but Jesus is a friend who watches day and night.
I go to him in pray'r, he knows my ev'ry care,
and just a little talk with Jesus makes it right.

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

ABOUT THE ART AND MUSIC

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