ABBREVIATED LITURGY FOR ORDINARY TIME WITH ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH JUNE 14, 2020 PROPER 6

Welcome to this Lord's Day. The irony of these unusual times is that liturgically we are now in "Ordinary Time," the season between the day of Pentecost and the first Sunday of Advent. This is the season we consider the scripture readings pertaining to the Church's life and witness. We read about how the early church dealt with challenges both within their own communities and with the cultures of which they were a part. So, to say these are both unusual times and ordinary time is an accurate description of the life of God's people.

In care for one another and all our neighbors and by the directive of the Bishop of New Jersey, The Rt. Rev. Chip Stokes, we are not meeting in our buildings at this time. However, we are still the Church in worship and service. For 15 minutes prior to each service we have a "virtual coffee hour," to chat, check-in with one another and share announcements. Once the liturgy begins, participants will be muted except those leading at the moment. During the hymns and prayers, feel free to sing or speak out loud as you will be muted. This is also is making it possible for us to sing along with choirs from around the world, so we look for blessings in all things at all times.

If you are in need of pastoral care during this time, do not hesitate to call. Fr. Mulder at: 908-672-8695, or to write him at rectorstmartinsnj@gmail.com.

Our parish office is now open limited hours each day. Messages can be left at: 908-526-1350, or by writing: stmartinschurchnj@gmail.com. Our website is www.stmartinsnj.org. During this time, it is critical that your financial support of this ministry continues. You can do this easily using the Vanco platform on our website under "Donate." It takes only a few minutes to set up and has already made a positive difference to our ability to carry on in ministry. Thank you all.



The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Our help is in the name of God. With joy we proclaim:

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

Hymn of Praise 432, O Praise ye the Lord

-Laudate Dominum

(sung by the choir of King's College, Cambridge)

432 Praise to God



Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877), alt.; based on Psalms 148 and 150 Music: Laudate Dominum, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant 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.

A Reading from Genesis (18:1-15)

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying.

People Thanks be to God!

Anthem: I Choose Love -Mark Miller

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (9:35-10:8)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

lesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment."

Celebrant People The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord, Christ.

Homily

The Nicene Creed

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

Holy God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Chip our diocesan, and for all bishops, for Tim, our priest and for all priests and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations; That there may be justice and peace on earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer any grief or trouble; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We offer prayers of gratitude and debt to all who serve others during this time. Grant them energy, health and resolve for their ministry among us. And for your Church, may the day come soon when we can feast again at your Table. Until that great day, keep us steadfast in care for one another, regular in prayer and faithful in worship and service to your world.

Hear us now as Jesus taught us to pray, saying:

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.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sin to God.

People God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you,

Opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other,

in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,

that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the

grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of

the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

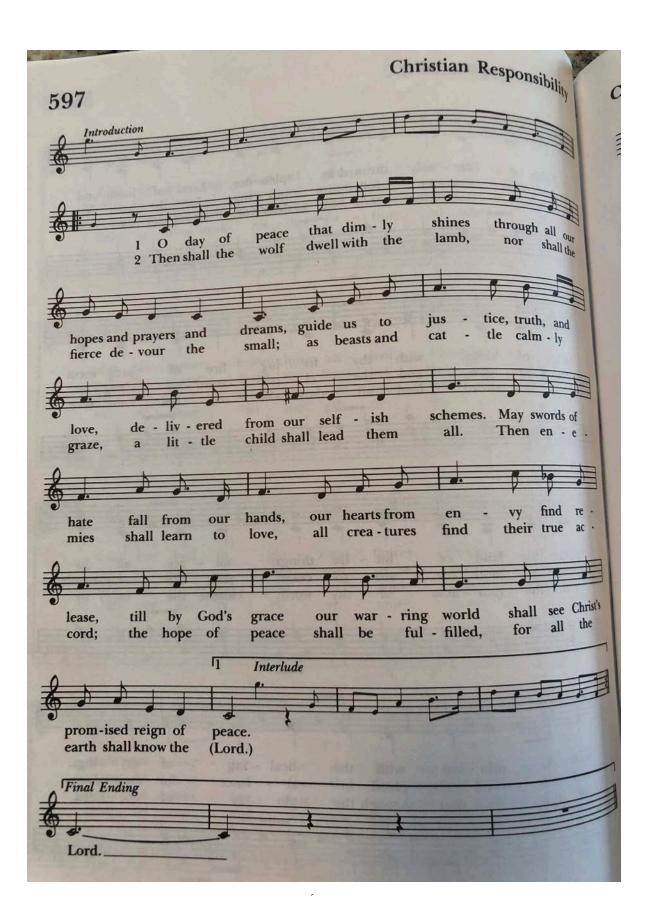
The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Hymn 597 O Day of Peace -Jerusalem

(sung by the Choir of All Saints Episcopal Church, Beverley Hills)



Blessing and Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.