CHRIST CHURCH, SHOOTERS HILL

Eucharist Trinity 7, Proper 11, Year B,

18th July 2021

*Hymn All my hope on God is founded*

*All my hope on God is founded; he doth still my trust renew.*

*Me through change and chance he guideth, only good and only true.*

*God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.*

*Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray his trust;*

*what with care and toil he buildeth, tower and temple, fall to dust.*

*But God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.*

*God's great goodness aye endureth, deep his wisdom, passing thought:*

*splendour, light, and life attend him, beauty springeth out of naught.*

*Evermore from his store new-born worlds rise and adore.*

*Daily doth th' Almighty giver bounteous gifts on us bestow;*

*his desire our soul delighteth, pleasure leads us where we go.*

*Love doth stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his command.*

*Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done,*

*high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ his Son.*

*Christ doth call one and all: ye who follow shall not fall.*

*The Gathering*

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

*The Greeting*

The Lord be with you

**and also with you.**

*Prayers of Penitence*

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,

firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**In your mercy forgive what we have been,**

**help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be;**

**that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

*Absolution*

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Gloria*

*The Collect*

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The Liturgy of the Word*

*First Reading*

Jeremiah 23: 1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Second Reading*

Ephesians 2: 11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called ‘the uncircumcision’ by those who are called ‘the circumcision’ – a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands – remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*The Gospel*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *St Mark*.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56

The apostles returned from their mission. They gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, ‘Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.’ For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sermon*

*The 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit**

**and 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,)**

**who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,**

**who 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 Intercession*

*In the Diocesan calendar, we pray for St Andrew, Earlsfield: Jonathan Brown (V); Johnny Sertin (Pioneer*

*Priest); Vivian Snell (Reader); Michael Okoye (Reader) (PTO); Cynthia Coker (SPA)*

*In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the Bishops, priests & people of Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda*

*In the Christ Church calendar we pray for those who live at the Memorial Hospital and at Oaktree Lodge*

*We also pray for all whose year’s mind falls at this time, especially: Annie (Nancy) Hemus*

Knowing God’s love and concern for us all, let us settle ourselves in God’s presence and pray to God now.

Recognising our brokenness and disunity as your Church,

we pray for your leading to draw us closer to one another as we draw closer to you;

we pray for all our Christian brothers and sisters in this neighbourhood,

and for all who are searching for meaning in their lives.

*Silence*

The Lord is my shepherd:

**there is nothing I shall want.**

With the noise of global conflicts and human deprivation thundering in our ears,

with the questions and doubts clamouring, we pray for your shepherding of our humanness

and your leading in the secret places of the heart.

*Silence*

The Lord is my shepherd:

**there is nothing I shall want.**

We pray for your sound and centred wisdom in all our daily living and life choices,

that we may show your love in the way we live our lives.

*Silence*

The Lord is my shepherd:

**there is nothing I shall want.**

With the stressed and overburdened, the overworked, the unemployed and the furloughed,

we pray for balanced lives; for physical, mental and spiritual health; for patience in times of trouble,

and direction in times of confusion.

*Silence*

The Lord is my shepherd:

**there is nothing I shall want.**

As we remember with love and gratitude the lives of those who have died in faith,

we commend them to your eternal rest and unchanging affection.

*Silence*

The Lord is my shepherd:

**there is nothing I shall want.**

With the crowds of Galilee our hearts are lifted with joy at your presence among us,

for we know that you have the words of eternal life.

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

*The Peace*

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of Christ’s peace.

*Hymn Lord, we come to ask your healing*

*Lord, we come to ask your healing, teach us of love; all unspoken shame revealing, teach us of love.*

*Take our selfish thoughts and actions, petty feuds, divisive factions, hear us now to your appealing, teach us of love.*

*Soothe away our pain and sorrow, hold us in love; grace we cannot buy or borrow, hold us in love.*

*Though we see but dark and danger, though we spurn both friend and stranger, though we often dread tomorrow, hold us in love.*

*When the bread is raised and broken, fill us with love; words of consecration spoken, fill us with love.*

*As our grateful prayers continue, make the faith that we have in you more than just an empty token, fill us with love.*

*Help us live for one another, bind us in love; stranger, neighbour, father, mother – bind us in love.*

*All are equal at your table, through your Spirit make us able to embrace as sister, brother, bind us in love.*

*Preparation of the Altar*

*Prayer at the preparation of the altar.*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,

which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,

fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer*

The Lord be with you

**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 thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise,

holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

*For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning, and formed us in your own image. Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high. Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession.*

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

**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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink

these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love

and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

*The Lord's Prayer*

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

*Agnus Dei*

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

*Giving of Communion*

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*Quiet Music:*

*Hear the cry of the poor; My shepherd is the Lord (Bell)*

*Prayer after Communion*

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live:

may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup,

we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Then we pray together:*

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body of your Son Jesus Christ.**

**Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.**

**Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

*The Dismissal*

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*Hymn For I’m building a people of power*

For I'm building a people of power and I'm making a people of praise
that will move through this land by my Spirit and will glorify my precious name

Build your church, Lord, make us strong, Lord, join our hearts, Lord, through your son
make us one, Lord, in your body, in the kingdom of your son

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