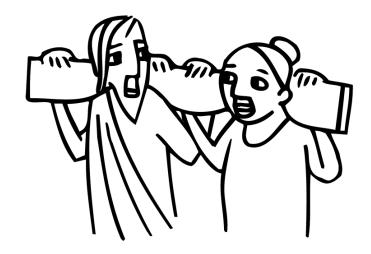
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – JULY 5, 2020



WELCOME

CONFESSION Matthew 28:19, 1 John 1:8-9

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

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

A brief silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FORGIVENESS John 20:22-23

PSALM 145:8-14

- [§]The LORD is gracious and full | of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.
 - ⁹LORD, you are | good to all, and your compassion is over | all your works.
 - ¹⁰All your works shall praise | you, O LORD, and your faithful | ones shall bless you.
 - ¹¹They shall tell of the glory | of your kingdom and speak | of your power,
 - 12that all people may know | of your power and the glorious splendor | of your kingdom.
 - Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures through- | out all ages.
 You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in | all your works.
 - ¹⁴The Lord upholds all | those who fall and lifts up those who | are bowed down.

GREETING 2 Corinthians 13:13

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray:

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 11th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

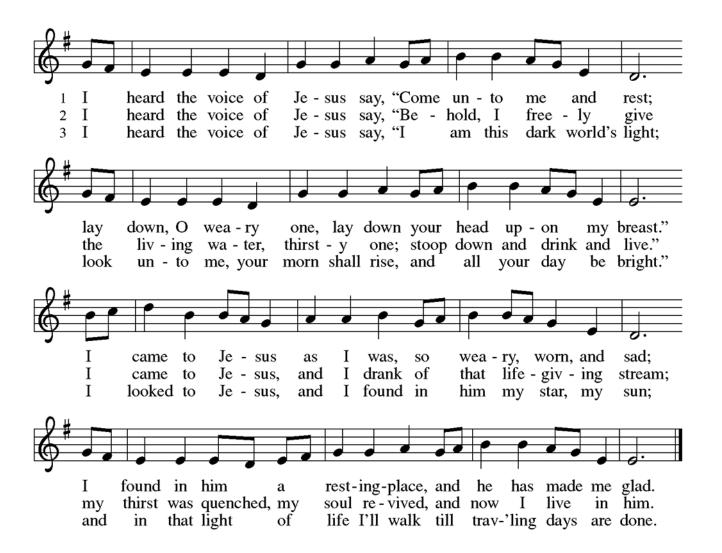
At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S TIME SERMON





Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889 Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

SENDING

Go in peace, serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!