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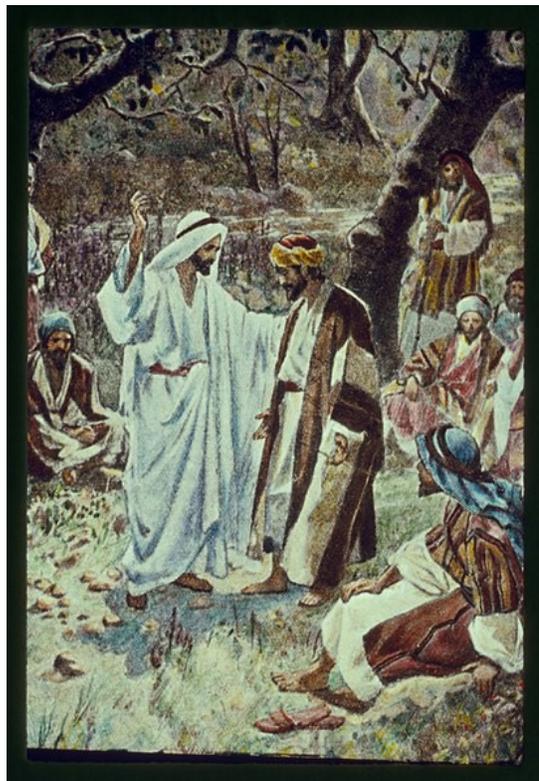
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**10 AM SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
**TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**23 AUGUST 2020**



We acknowledge the ancestral, traditional, and unceded territory of the Coast Salish peoples, including the X̱m̱əθḵʷəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), and Selílwitḻh (Tseil-Waututh) Nations where we live, work, and worship.

*Welcome to our Sunday worship, whether you are gathering in person at St Paul's or online.  
We invite you to use the time before the Service begins for reflection.*

**PRELUDE:** *A selection of music will be played.*

## **GATHERING THE COMMUNITY**

*The Minister welcomes everyone informally and any directions given.*

## **THE GREETING**

*Minister* Dear friends, we gather this morning on the traditional and unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

**All** **May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.**

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

**All** **And also with you.**

*Minister* Drawn from many backgrounds and experiences,

**All** **God gathers us as one body.**

*Minister* Bringing our whole selves before our Maker,

**All** **God transforms us more and more into who we were created to be.**

*Minister* We stand together as people loved by God,

**All** **and who are called to love others in ordinary and extraordinary ways.**

*Minister* Let us celebrate God's majesty,  
and delight in the wonder of God's love.  
Together we shall confess our sins  
and receive assurance that we are forgiven.  
As the scriptures are read  
we can allow God's word to speak to us,  
and ponder its meaning for our lives.

In our prayers, we give thanks for God's goodness,  
we pray for others as well as for ourselves,  
and we offer our lives anew in Christ's service.

All this we do,  
because we believe in the presence among us  
of our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.

## **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

*Minister* The gospel calls us to turn away from sin  
and be faithful to Christ.  
As we offer ourselves in penitence and faith,  
we renew our confidence and trust in God's mercy.

*Silence is kept*

*Minister* Let us confess our sins to God, as we say  
**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 neighbours 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.**

*Minister* Merciful God,  
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,  
that we may be cleansed from all our sins  
and serve you with a quiet mind;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**All** **Amen.**

## **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Minister* Almighty God,  
we are taught by your word  
that all our doings without love are worth nothing.  
Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts  
that most excellent gift of love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtue;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**All** Amen

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

### **FIRST READING: A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS**

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labour. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh.

But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labour. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them. The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live." But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?"

The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his

people, "Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live." Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water." EXODUS 1:8-2:10

*Reader* This is the Word of the Lord.  
**All Thanks be to God.**

*A brief interlude for music*

## **THE GOSPEL**

*Reader* +The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
**All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah. MATTHEW 16:13-20

*Reader*     The Gospel of Christ.  
**All**         **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **SERMON**

*A Time for Reflection will follow*

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*Minister*   Let us confess our faith as we say,  
**All**         **I believe in God,**  
              **the Father almighty,**  
              **creator of heaven and earth.**  
              **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**  
              **He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit**  
              **and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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,**  
**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
**He will come again**  
**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.**

*A brief interlude for music.*

## **INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS**

*After the intercessions, a time for personal prayer follows*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Minister* Gathering our prayers and praises into one,  
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

**All** **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 forever. Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

*Announcements are given*

*Minister* May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
through the power of the Holy Spirit;  
and the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you  
always.

**All** **Amen.**

*Minister* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

**All** **Thanks be to God**

*If you would like to join us for a virtual coffee hour on Zoom, please go to*  
<https://zoom.us/j/240454925>  
*Meeting ID 240 454 925*

*Musical voluntary*

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2 Corinthians 9:7

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