

Sunday 4th July 2021
5th Sunday after Trinity

Reading 1: 2 Samuel 5: 1 – 5, 9 - 10

Gospel: Mark 6: 1 - 13

Let us pause for a moment to bring ourselves and all that we offer to God and give Him thanks.

Grace mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Prayer:

Lord, direct our thoughts, and teach us to pray.
Lift up our hearts to worship you in spirit and in truth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Psalm: 48

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God.

His holy mountain, ² beautiful in elevation,
is the joy of all the earth,
Mount Zion, in the far north,
the city of the great King.

³ Within its citadels God
has shown himself a sure defence.

⁴ Then the kings assembled,
they came on together.

⁵ As soon as they saw it, they were astounded;
they were in panic, they took to flight;

⁶ trembling took hold of them there,
pains as of a woman in labour,

⁷ as when an east wind shatters
the ships of Tarshish.

⁸ As we have heard, so have we seen
in the city of the LORD of hosts,
in the city of our God,
which God establishes for ever.

⁹ We ponder your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of your temple.

¹⁰ Your name, O God, like your praise,
reaches to the ends of the earth.

Your right hand is filled with victory.

¹¹ Let Mount Zion be glad,
let the towns of Judah rejoice
because of your judgements.

¹² Walk about Zion, go all around it,
count its towers,

¹³ consider well its ramparts;
go through its citadels,
that you may tell the next generation

¹⁴ that this is God,
our God for ever and ever.
He will be our guide for ever.

Song: (*click link*) Here For You <https://youtu.be/dtj-G1gKnD8>

Invitation to Confession:

God shows his love for us
in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
Let us then show our love for him
by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Confession:

Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our
neighbour,
in what we have thought,
in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love
and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us, forgive us all that is past
and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light.
Amen.

Absolution:

May the God of love
bring us back to himself,
forgive us our sins,
and assure us of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Blessed be the Lord
for he has heard the voice of our prayer;
Therefore shall our hearts dance for joy
and in our song will we praise our God.

Reading 1: 2 Samuel 5: 1 – 5, 9 – 10

Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, 'Look, we are your bone and flesh. ² For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The LORD said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel.' ³ So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel. ⁴ David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned for forty years. ⁵ At Hebron he reigned over Judah for seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah for thirty-three years.

David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inwards. ¹⁰ And David became greater and greater, for the LORD, the God of hosts, was with him.

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

Gospel: Mark 6: 1 – 13

Jesus left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. ² On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³ Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. ⁴ Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' ⁵ And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶ And he was amazed at their unbelief.

The Mission of the Twelve

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷ He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸ He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹ but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰ He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹ If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' ¹² So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³ They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

This is the gospel of the Lord. Praise be to you, O Christ.

Talk: (click link) <https://youtu.be/25XMNqTKZo8>

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

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.

Heavenly Father,
we want to thank you for the world that you have created.
Help us to be aware of our responsibility
to look after that which you have made.
Lord in your mercy;
hear our prayer.

As we pray for our world,

so we pray for those that make decisions on our behalf;
we pray for the world leaders to make right choices
as we move on from lockdown;
help them to make wise decisions for the wellbeing of all people.
Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

In this our country,
we pray for our Queen and for her government,
we ask, Lord, for your wisdom to reign in the hearts of our sovereign and politicians,
that they may heed advice to ease us from restrictions in a measured way
that will dispel fear and promote safety.
Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The church is looking forward to a time of all meeting together again,
so we pray for the church leaders,
our Archbishops and Bishops,
as they meet together to discuss the ways that churches can thrive and grow.
Give them, our church leaders and all church leaders,
discernment gifts to bring the church together to worship you.
Unite us Lord in praise of who you are.
Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for our local area;
all those churches on the Dengie peninsula.
Draw people to yourself Lord we pray, to worship you our living God.
We ask that your Holy Spirit moves the hearts of all who reside of this deanery,
and that we will see many lives changed for your glory.
Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We bring before you today,
those who are on our hearts for prayer,
and those that we do not know, yet you know.
Bring your healing, both physically and spiritually,
that they may know the goodness of our God.
We pray especially for
Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

And we pray for each other,
that we will grow in knowledge and love of you,
our heavenly father and your word made flesh, Jesus Christ.

Merciful Father,
Accept these prayers
for the sake of your only son

our saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Collect:

Almighty God, send down upon your church the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silence is kept.

Lord's Prayer:

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
and forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil
For the kingdom the power and the glory
are yours now and forever. Amen.

Song: *(click link)* Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me <https://youtu.be/zundjUFazfg>

Blessing:

May God the Father,
by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,
strengthen us to walk with Him in his risen life.....

.....and the blessing of God almighty;
Father Son and Holy Spirit,
be with us, and remain with us
and all those whom we love,
now and forever.
Amen.

*As we come to the end of this service we can fellowship with each other in Spirit, with tea, coffee
and biscuits, and continuing to pray for each other.*

Post something on the Facebook page to bless others.