

The Parable of the Talents



The Twenty Fourth Sunday after
Pentecost: Proper 28
November 18, 2020

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Opening Hymn

Christ For The World We Sing;
The World To Christ We Bring
With Loving Zeal;
The Poor And Them That Mourn,
The Faint And Overborne,
Sin-Sick And Sorrow-Worn,
For Christ Doth Heal.

Christ For The World We Sing;
The World To Christ We Bring
With Fervent Pray'r;
The Wayward And The Lost,
By Restless Passions Tossed,
Redeemed At Countless Cost
From Dark Despair.

Christ For The World We Sing;
The World To Christ We Bring
With One Accord;
With Us The Work To Share,
With Us Reproach To Dare,
With Us The Cross To Bear,
For Christ Our Lord.

Christ For The World We Sing;
The World To Christ We Bring
With Joyful Song;
The Newborn Souls Whose Days,
Reclaimed From Error's Ways,

Inspired With Hope And Praise,
To Christ Belong.

The Word of God

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit BCP 355
And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. AMEN.

Officiant:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you 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 Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Gloria BCP 356
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Celebrant Let us pray

Collect of the Day (Proper 28) BCP 236
Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for
our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and
inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast
the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in
our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A reading from Judges 4:1-7

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of
the LORD, after Ehud died. So the LORD sold them into the
hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the
commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in
Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to
the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron,
and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was
judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah
between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim;
and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent
and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in
Naphtali, and said to him, "The LORD, the God of Israel,
commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing
ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of
Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army,
to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his
troops; and I will give him into your hand.'

Officiant: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 123 *Ad te levavi oculos meos* BCP 780

- 1 To you I lift up my eyes, *
to you enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their
masters, *
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the LORD our God, *
until he show us his mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, *
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *
and of the derision of the proud.

A reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians 5:1-11
Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Officiant: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

The Gospel of Matthew 25:14-30

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

The people respond: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

Officiant: The Gospel of our Lord

The people respond: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Words of Faith

The Rev. Dan Buchin

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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.

Preface to Prayers

Prayers of the People Form V

BCP 387

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy".

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth
and love, and be found without fault at the day of your
coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Here and after every petition the People respond
Lord, have mercy.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Bonnie our own Bishop,
for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people
of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our
divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the
Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may
preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O
Lord.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost
their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we
pray to you, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and
forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray
to you, O Lord.

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve
justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every
person, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

Confession of Sin BCP 360

The Celebrant says
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

Minister and People
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 neighbors 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.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Passing of the Peace BCP 360

All stand. The Celebrant says to the People:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

The Bread and the Wine

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 365

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Preface

The Celebrant continues:

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus BCP 371

Celebrant and People

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.

The people stand or kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

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,

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

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

Officiant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed
on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(All baptized persons are welcome)

Post-Communion Prayer BCP 365

*After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.
Celebrant and People*

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.
Blessing

Closing Hymn

All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall;

Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.

Let highborn seraphs tune the lyre, and as they tune it, fall
Before His face Who tunes their choir, and crown Him Lord of
all.
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all.

Crown Him, ye morning stars of light, Who fixed this floating
ball;
Now hail the strength of Israel's might, and crown Him Lord of
all.
Now hail the strength of Israel's might, and crown Him Lord of
all.

Crown Him, ye martyrs of your God, who from His altar call;
Extol the Stem of Jesse's Rod, and crown Him Lord of all.
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Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of
all.
Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of
all.

Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line, Whom David Lord did call,
The God incarnate, Man divine, and crown Him Lord of all,
The God incarnate, Man divine, and crown Him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the
gall,
Go spread your trophies at His feet, and crown Him Lord of all.
Go spread your trophies at His feet, and crown Him Lord of all.

Let every tribe and every tongue before Him prostrate fall

And shout in universal song the crown and Lord of all.
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Announcements

Dismissal

BCP 366

UPCOMING SERVICES:

11/22 Holy Eucharist Rite 2

11/28 Morning Prayer Rite 1

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Today, Ordination of Christine Gannon, St James', Birmingham

11/21 Donna Schiller-Tomecek's birthday

11/22 Visit with Bishop Bonnie Perry

SAINTS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

COMMON PRAYERS WITH UNCOMMON RESULTS:

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Bob Welke; Bobbie; Sue Burke; Ed & Audrey Johnson; Joyce Johnson; Bob Bird; Donna Tomecek-Schiller; Jamie & Marvin; Jill Holden; Julie Wilkins; John; Donna Hanes; Kevin Cuyler; Chris Smith; Nancy Buchin; Harriet Woodby; Scott Johnson; Melissa Berger; Kristin & Matthew; Carol & Patrick Cathey; Sam & Cam; Jordan; a woman with cancer; Sharon & family; Steven Stemkowski; Darren Baker; Frank Leahey; Lloyd, suffering from lung cancer; Caty Smith; Jim Barancin; Single mom with health issues, whose boyfriend is in the Army; Jon; Patricia Stricker; Lisa Hinskey's family; Jennifer; Sabrina & Kalee; Ms. Butler; total surrender; Bud Leafdale; Jessica's aunt; John Martin; Margaret Grose; our community; job recovery; Darrien Baker; Baby D; Randy Gilchrist; Joyce Matthews' husband, Arnold; Paul Barth; Linda Hesselink; Terry Johnson; Carrie Cook; Lily & Violet; Margaret; Al Ellerholz; Vicki Hesse; Beth Rowley; Eric Travis; Kim Pratt; Catherine Pelham

PRAYERS FOR the unemployed, homeless & disenfranchised
IN HARM'S WAY our service men & women suffering from PTSD
CYCLE OF PRAYER: Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury;
Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop; Bonnie Perry, our Bishop;

Moises Quezada Mota, Bishop of the Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA Presiding Bishop; Donald P Kreiss, ELCA Bishop, SE Michigan Synod; Craig A Satterlee, ELCA Bishop, NW Lower Michigan Synod; our Diocesan retired community household; Our Diocesan household; St Peter's, Hillsdale; Church of the Transfiguration, Bani, DR

We welcome you to Christ Church, and look forward to meeting together for fellowship when the pandemic crisis is over!

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