



PRINCE OF PEACE

HAPPY VETERANS DAY

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

Sunday November 8, 2020
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the Holy Trinity + one God,
who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin, in the presence of God and of one another.
(Silence is kept for reflection)

Faithful God,
Have mercy on us.
We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.
We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.
We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.
We keep the gift of salvation to ourselves.
Make us humble, cast away our transgressions,
and turn us again to life in you
Through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God hears the cries of all who call out in need,
and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own.
Hear the truth that God proclaims:
Your sins are forgiven in the name of †Jesus Christ.
Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.
Amen.

May 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 of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son, Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Children's Moment

First Reading: Amos 5:18-24

¹⁸ Alas for you who desire the day of the Lord! Why do you want the day of the Lord? It is darkness, not light; ¹⁹ as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake. ²⁰ Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?

²¹ I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

²² Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. ²³ Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps.

²⁴ But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Psalm: 70

¹ Be pleased, O God, to deliver me. O Lord, make haste to help me!

² **Let those be put to shame and confusion who seek my life.**

Let those be turned back and brought to dishonor who desire to hurt me.

³ Let those who say, "Aha, Aha!" turn back because of their shame.

⁴ **Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you.**

Let those who love your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"

⁵ But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God!

You are my help and my deliverer; O Lord, do not delay!

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

¹ "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³ When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴ but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵ As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶ But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." ⁷ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." ⁹ But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." ¹⁰ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. ¹¹ Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." ¹² But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." ¹³ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Message

Song: "Wake, Awake for Night is Flying" 436 Philipp Nicolai WATCHET AUF PM

1. Wake awake for night is flying
The watchmen on the heights are crying
Awake Jerusalem at last
Midnight hears the welcome voices
And at the thrilling cry rejoices
Come forth ye maidens night is past
The Bridegroom comes awake
Your lamps with gladness take
Alleluia rise and prepare the feast to share
go meet the bridegroom who draws near

2. Zion hears the watchmen singing
And all her heart with joy is springing
She wakes she rises from her gloom
Her dear friend comes down all glorious
The strong in grace in truth victorious
Her star is risen her light is come
Now come O blessed One
Lord Jesus God's own Son
Sing Hosanna Oh hear the call
come one come all
and follow to the banquet hall

3. Gloria let heaven adore you
Let saints and angels sing before you
With harp and cymbal's clearest tone
Gates of pearl twelve portals gleaming
Lead us to bliss beyond all dreaming
With angel choirs around your throne
No eye has caught the light
No ear the thundering might
of such glory there we will go
what joy we'll know
There sweet delight will ever flow.

Apostles Creed

**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 into hell.
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.**

The Peace Announcements

*Altar flowers are given by Donna Blomstrom
in loving memory of her son, Richard E. Blomstrom Jr.*

Thrivent Food Challenge

Thank you so much for your generous donations of food to be used at St. Edith Stein food pantry. Food came to church from the scouts, facebook friends, neighbors, and YOU! It was a tremendous success and we surpassed our target goal which means they should also be receiving a \$500 grant from Thrivent.

“New” Thirsty Thursdays music & the word on our facebook page

We need your pictures for this week's theme. What brings LIGHT to your life? In this time when days grow shorter we focus on light.

TOYS for TOTS Carrie and Jerry Toppa are sponsoring Toys for Tots at their Abington SpeeDee (740 Brockton Ave. in Abington) from now till November 21st. Stop by and drop off a new unopened toy, they have raffle tickets available.

Prayers of Intercession

Longing for Christ's reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God's power on the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence

Holy Judge, let justice roll down like waters over this world. Reign over the courtrooms of every land, in the hearts of those who guard the law and those who stand accused of crimes. Be present in cases where we long for both justice and mercy to prevail. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Holy Companion, console those who feel lonely or abandoned. Share the hours of those who live and eat alone Comfort those who have few friends or who struggle with their identity and place in this world. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Holy Protector, be with all observing Veteran's Day. Guard the lives of active duty and retired military personnel. Comfort all who mourn those who have died in the line of duty. Heal the wounds, both physical and mental, experienced by service members. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Here other intercessions may be offered

Holy and Immortal One, we pray in thanksgiving for the lives of all who died. Remind us of the frailty and shortness of our own lives and inspire us to use them for the building up of your kingdom.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Receive our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, until the day when you gather creation around your throne where you will reign forever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing:

Now is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation.

May our Holy God, speaking, spoken, and inspiring send you in love and peace.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

Hymn: "Drawn to the Light"

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1. People who walk in darkness have sought a light in the heart of the darkest night. Just when we thought all would be lost, we were drawn to the light of God. *Ref.*

2. How can we tell a heaven from hell if everyone dwells in the dark of night? Morning dispels, gently compels, and we're drawn to the light of God. *Ref.*

3. Where is the sun? Oh, there will be none The Lamb is the one who is shining bright, bids us to come! Life has begun when we're drawn to the light of God. *Ref.*

Refrain: Dawn is in sight! Gone is the night, drawn to the light and the morning.
Glorious and bright, oh, what a sight to be drawn to the light of God.

Dismissal

Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Thanks for joining us!

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