



*I am there among them*

MATTHEW 18.20

**PRINCE OF PEACE**

**Sunday September 6, 2020**  
**14th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Welcome and Concerns of the Church**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **Amen.**

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

*(Silence is kept for reflection)*

Reconciling God,

**We confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through +Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace.

Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope.

For hope does not disappoint,

because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

**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 Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## Children's Moment

### First Reading: Ezekiel 33.7-11

<sup>7</sup> So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. <sup>8</sup> If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. <sup>9</sup> But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. <sup>10</sup> Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" <sup>11</sup> Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

### Psalm 119:33-40

<sup>33</sup> Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.

<sup>34</sup> **Give me understanding,**

**that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.**

<sup>35</sup> Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

<sup>36</sup> **Turn my heart to your decrees, and not to selfish gain.**

<sup>37</sup> Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; give me life in your ways.

<sup>38</sup> **Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.**

<sup>39</sup> Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good.

<sup>40</sup> **See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life.**

### Gospel Matthew 18:15-20

<sup>15</sup> "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. <sup>16</sup> But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>17</sup> If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. <sup>18</sup> Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. <sup>19</sup> Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup> For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

## Message

**Song: "O Master Let Me Walk With You"**

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1. O Master let me walk with you  
In lowly paths of service true;  
Tell me your secret; Help me bear  
the strain of toil, the fret of care.

2. Help me the slow of heart to move  
By some clear, winning word of love:  
Teach me the wayward feet to stay  
and guide them in the homeward way.

3. Teach me your patience; share with me  
a closer, dearer company,  
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,  
In trust that triumphs over wrong

4. In hope that sends a shining ray  
Far down the future's broad'ning way,  
In peace that only you can give;  
With you, O Master, let me live.

## 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

## Prayers of Intercession

Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence*

Protect your creation, O God. Teach us ways that do not harm what you have entrusted to our care. Renew and enliven places suffering from drought, flood, storms, or pollution (*especially*).

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Turn nations and leaders from ways that lead to death. Shape new paths toward peace and cooperation, teaching us to recognize one another as neighbors. Guide legislators, civil servants, judges, and police toward laws that protect the well-being of all.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Tend to all in need of your compassion. Hear the cries of those awaiting justice and those yearning for forgiveness. Give community to the lonely and neighbors to the outcast. Shelter all who are vulnerable in body, mind, or spirit (*especially*).

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Sustain us in our work, O God, and give work to those who need it. Shape societies to ensure fair treatment for all who labor. Help us to love our neighbors in and through our work.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered*

We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in faith. As you equipped them, equip us with your protection and power, until with them we see your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven....**

## Blessing:

Now is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation.  
May our Holy God, speaking, spoken, and inspiring  
bless you, unbind you, and 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: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" 836

## Hymn to Joy 8787D

1. Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.
2. All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,  
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea.  
chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.
3. Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest.  
Well spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou are Father, Christ our brother, all who lives in love are thine;  
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**Thanks be to God!**

## Thanks for joining us!

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