

Morning Prayer

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Rogation Sunday
Mothers Day
May 9, 2021 9 am
Ministers of the Liturgy

The Rev. Dr. Judith

Our Grandmothers:

Lucille Clinkman, Susan Edmondson, Mary Johnson, Pat Keppler, Mary Torian, Peach Warren

Musicians: Randolph Bloom, Mary Johnson, Jeff Lukas, Cathy Poch

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! [2 Corinthians 5:17]

Opening Hymn

All creatures of our God and King

Hymnal #400

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, Let us sing alleluia, Alleluia!

Bright burning sun with golden beams, pale silken moon that gently gleams,

O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Dear Mother Earth, you day by day unfold your blessings on your way, O praise Him, Alleluia! All flowers and fruits that in you grow, let them his glory also show: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Mother Judith Opening Prayer

O Holy Creator of the universe, we sing to you a song of thanks for love within community, a song of hope for future blessings we cannot yet understand. Fill us with vision and compassion so we may know that the resurrection comes from you, for we gather in the presence of the risen Christ. **Amen.**

Mother Judith The Invitatory and Psalter

Alleluia. Christ is risen. O come let us worship. Alleluia

Mary Johnson Venite [Psalm 95:1-7]

Come, let us sing to the Lord; * let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, * and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, * and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, * and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, * and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Lucille Clinkman & Susan Edmondson Psalm 98

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, * for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm * has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *

his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *

and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; * lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, * with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn * shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, * the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *

and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.

10 In righteousness shall he judge the world * and the peoples with equity.

Pat Keppler A Reading from the Book of Acts [10:44-48]

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Peach Warren A Song of True Motherhood

Julian of Norwich

God chose to be our mother in all things * and so made the foundation of his work,

most humbly and most pure, in the Virgin's womb.

God, the perfect wisdom of all, * arrayed himself in this humble place.

Christ came in our poor flesh * to share a mother's care.

Our mothers bear us for pain and for death; *

our true mother, Jesus, bears us for joy and endless life.

Christ carried us within him in love and travail, * until the full time of his passion.

And when all was completed and he had carried us so for joy, * still all this could not satisfy the power of his wonderful love.

All that we owe is redeemed in truly loving God, *

for the love of Christ works in us; Christ is the one whom we love.



Mary Torian A Reading from the Gospel of John [15:9-17]

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."



Homily

Mary Johnson A Song of Faith 1 Peter [1:3-4,18-21]

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, *

by divine mercy we have a new birth into a living hope;

Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, *

we have an inheritance that is imperishable in heaven.

The ransom that was paid to free us * was not paid in silver or gold,

But in the precious blood of Christ, * the Lamb without spot or stain.

God raised Jesus from the dead and gave him glory *

so that we might have faith and hope in God.

Musical Meditation *The earth and all stars*

Hymnal #412 Cathy Poch, soloist

Mother Judith The 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 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.

Mother Judith & Lucille Clinkman The Prayers

Show us your mercy, O Lord; and grant us your salvation.

Clothe your ministers with righteousness; let your people sing with joy.

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world; for only in you can we live in safety.

Lord, keep this nation under your care; and guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let your way be known upon earth; your saving health among all nations.

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten; nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Create in us clean hearts, O God; and sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Lord's Prayer

Lucille Clinkman Collect of the Day

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Susan Edmondson & Pat Keppler The Prayers of the People for Rogation Sunday

In thanksgiving and praise for the beauty and abundance of our universe, let us pray to our gracious God, whose breath gives life to the world and whose voice is heard in the wind, let us pray to our Creator in Christ our Risen Savior.

Let the people praise you, O God:

Let all the peoples praise you

The earth has brought forth her increase;

May God give us his blessing and may all the earth stand in awe.

Let us give thanks to God: For the beauty of your world, the glory of starlit skies, the wonder of the changing seasons, and the miracle of new life all around us.

We give you thanks, O God.

For the privilege of sharing with you in the act of creating the good things of earth **We give you thanks, O God.**

For the people who have led us, guided us, shared their lives with us, especially our mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, and stepmothers,

We give you thanks, O God.

For the Christ of the country road, who walked in the land of Galilee, and who today walks the country roads of the world in comradeship with all who till the soil,

We give you thanks, O God.

That it may please you to grant a just and lasting peace in all the earth, that all peoples may again beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks, grateful for the lands you have given us.

We beseech you to hear us, O Lord.

That it will please you to fill us with your Spirit, that we may fulfil your purpose for Trinity in our search for a new Rector. **We beseech you to hear us, O Lord.**

That it may please you, by the light of your presence to strengthen those who feel weak in body or soul., especially those we now name, silently or aloud.

We beseech you to hear us, O Lord.

That it may please you to send the fire of your Spirit upon your people, especially upon women who are struggling to become mothers and to manage the duties of being mothers, that they may bear faithful witness to your life-giving presence.

We beseech you to hear us, O Lord.

To the renewal of love and labor in every garden, especially in our Garden Without Walls, that all people will share with joy in sowing the seeds and in reaping the harvest of the Kingdom of God, We dedicate our hands and minds, O Lord.

To a renewed appreciation for the Holy Earth and its resources,

We dedicate our hands and minds, O Lord.

To solidarity with working people throughout the world and to serving them with all the gifts and graces you have bestowed on us. **We dedicate our lives, O God.**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, creator of the universe. All the creation praises you. Be with us now and bless the work of those who labor in the fields to produce food or the world. Grant us faith to know your gracious purpose in all things and continue your blessings to us through the bounty of your creation. We ask your blessing on the pastures and meadows, and on our gardens, especially our Good News Gardens. May the soil be wholesome and the crops and flowers thrive. May the weather be favorable and the workers of good heart. May you—our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier--be with us and among us and around us now and forevermore. **Amen.**

Musical Meditation

Jeff Lukas

Mary Torian A Prayer for Wisdom

Holy and Loving God, by water and the Holy Spirit we have been buried with Christ and raised to the new life of grace: Give us inquiring and discerning hearts, the courage to will and to

persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Mary Johnson A Prayer said during Ramadan

ALLAH, on this day, open for us the doors of Your Grace, send down on us its blessings, help us towards the causes of Your mercy, and give us a place in the comforts of your Love, O the one who answers the call of the distressed. **Amen.**

Peach Warren A Prayer in Time of Transition

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for your people and for our ministries. Open our hearts to possibilities we have not yet imagined, through Jesus Christ, our Light, our Center, our Hope. **Amen.**

Pat Keppler A Prayer for Facing the Coronavirus

Merciful God, hear our fervent prayer for all who suffer from the coronavirus. May those who are infected receive the proper treatment and the comfort of your healing presence. May their caregivers, families and neighbors be shielded from the virus. Give solace to those who grieve the loss of over 575,000 loved ones. Protect and guide those who strive to find a cure, that their work may conquer the disease and restore communities to wholeness and health. Help us to rise above fear and impatience. We ask all this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Mother Judith A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Mother Judith Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make us perfect in every good work to fulfill his purpose, working in us that which is well-pleasing in his sight. **Amen.**

Mother Judith Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude Fanfare Jacques Lemmens