



11:00 A. M.

Contemporary Service
The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, August 20, 2017

Christ Church Vero Beach

Pre-Service Music

Great is Your faithfulness, O God;
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart.
You lead us by still waters into mercy
and nothing can keep us apart.
So, remember Your people,
remember Your children,
remember Your promise, O God.

*Refrain: Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough for me.*

Great is Your love and justice, God of Jacob
You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of Your salvation,
And all Your people sing along.
So, remember Your people,

remember Your children,
remember Your promise, O God. *(refrain)*

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Welcome *(Welcome people & explain service)*
(Introduce Prayer and Welcome Team Members)
(Encourage all to sign Friendship Book)
(Highlight one (1) announcement)

Opening Prayer *(In unison)*

Almighty God to you all our hearts are open, all our desires are known,
and from you none of our secrets are hid. For the sake of Christ Jesus
our Lord, cleanse us by your Holy Spirit, that we might faithfully
worship you this day in Spirit and truth, as you so desire and deserve.
Amen.

Opening Set *(At conclusion of Opening Set, Brady directs people to sit if O.
T. Lesson or Epistle is to be read OR to remaining standing
if only Gospel is to be read)*

1.

It's our confession, Lord., that we are weak,
so very weak, but You are strong.
And though we've nothing, Lord, to lay at Your feet,
we come to Your feet and say "Help us along." *(repeat)*

A broken heart and a contrite spirit
You have yet to deny,
Your heart of mercy beats with love's strong current.
Let the river flow by Your Spirit now, Lord, we cry!

Let Your mercies fall from heaven,
sweet mercies flow from heaven.
New mercies for today,
shower them down, Lord, as we pray. *(repeat)*

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2.

Everyone needs compassion, love that's never failing.
Let mercy fall on me.
Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior.
The hope of nations.

Refrain: Savior, He can move the mountains. My God is mighty to save. He is mighty to save. Forever, Author of salvation. He rose and conquered the grave. Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures.
Fill my life again.
I give my life to follow, everything I believe in.
Now I surrender. *(refrain)*

Shine your light, and let the whole world see. We're singing
for the glory of the risen King Jesus.

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for the glory of the risen King. *(refrain)*

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Readings: *(If preaching from the Gospels then just the Gospel will be read. If preaching from the OT or epistle then it is read along with the Gospel)*

Holy Gospel

Matthew 15:21-28

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

21. Jesus went away from [Galilee] and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. **22.** And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." **23.** But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." **24.** He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." **25.** But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." **26.** And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." **27.** She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." **28.** Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly. (ESV)

Pastor We ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world, and for Christ Church and its leaders.

People *(Slide reads: People add their prayers of petition or intercession)*

Pastor We ask your prayers for those who are in any need or trouble.

People *(Slide reads: People add their prayers of petition or intercession)*

Pastor We ask your thanksgivings for all of God's blessings.

People *(Slide reads: People add their prayers of thanksgiving and gratitude)*

Pastor We ask your prayers for those members of the Body of Christ who have died in Christ Jesus, thanking the Lord for their faithful witness.

People *(Slide reads: People pray for departed loved ones by name)*

Pastor Lord Jesus, you came as prophet. In you, we see the image of the invisible God.

People *Help us to seek more of your truth and to follow in your footsteps as we tell your Good News to all the world.*

Pastor Lord Jesus, you came as priest. In you, we have gained access by your blood to the throne of God.

People *Help us to know more of your mercy toward us to show mercy toward all people that we encounter in our daily life and work.*

Pastor Lord Jesus, you came as king. In you rests all honor and authority over this creation that you have made.

People *Help us to glorify your name above all names and to show our love for you by our obedience to your commandments.*

Pastor He who began a good work will be faithful to complete it.

People *May we put our full trust in God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. AMEN.*

Confession and Absolution

We pray to you Father for the forgiveness of our sins. *(Silence)*

(Sung by all-Brady leads, ALL echo)

I confess, (echo) I confess (echo) to Almighty God, (echo) and to you, my brothers. (echo)

I confess, (echo) I confess (echo) to Almighty God, (echo) and to you, my sisters. (echo)

That I have sinned (echo) through my own fault, (echo) in my thoughts, (echo) and in my words. (echo)

*That I have sinned (echo) in what I've done, (echo)
and in what (echo) I have failed to do. (echo)
And I ask you (echo) and all the church (echo)
to pray for me. (echo)
And I ask you (echo) to pray for me (echo)
to the Lord our God. (echo)*

words: traditional; music: Br. David Betzu

The Celebrant pronounces the Absolution over the People.

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 Peace

Children Arrive

Offertory

Come set Your rule, and reign
in our hearts again.
Increase in us, we pray.
Unveil why we're made.
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope,
like wildfire in our very souls;
Holy Spirit, come, invade us now.
We are Your church;
We need Your pow'r in us.

We seek Your kingdom first.
We hunger and we thirst;
refuse to waste our lives,
for You're our joy and prize.
To see the captives' hearts released;
the hurt, the sick, the poor at peace.
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause.
We are Your church;
we pray, revive this earth.

*Refrain: Build Your kingdom here.
Let the darkness fear.
Show Your mighty hand.
Heal our streets and land.
Set Your church on fire.
Win this nation back.
Change the atmosphere.
Build Your kingdom here, we pray!*

Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r,
reaching the near and far.
No force of hell can stop
Your beauty, changing hearts.
You made us for much more than this;
awake the kingdom seed in us.
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ.
We are Your church;
we are the hope on earth. *(refrain)*

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Holy Communion

(All baptized Christians are invited to the Lord's Table)

Celebrant 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.***

Celebrant Father, it is a joyful thing to worship together, giving you thanks and praise for all you are and all you have done. As we join with the saints and angels in heaven to proclaim your glory, we sing,

Celebrant and People sing

***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.

Celebrant

Lord God, you loved us so much that, even when we were lost in our sin and rebellion and had no hope of saving ourselves, you in your great mercy sent the gift of your only son Jesus Christ to live and die among us, that we might be saved from the death of sin and drawn into eternal life.

In obedience to your will Father, Jesus stretched out his arms on the cross to become a perfect sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. In gratefulness for his undeserved gift, we offer ourselves to your service. And now, Father, we offer these gifts of bread and wine, asking you to make them holy and set apart by your Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, and said to them, "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."

Father, by means of this holy bread and cup, we celebrate the memorial of your Son, showing forth the sacrifice of his death and proclaiming his resurrection until he comes again. Gather us by this Holy Communion into one Body in your Son Jesus Christ and make us a living sacrifice of praise for you.

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 forever.

Celebrant and People ***AMEN.***

Lord's Prayer

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant

These are the gifts of God for his people, take and eat and see that the Lord is good.

Band and EM's approach Lord's Table to receive Communion.

People come forward to receive Communion

Communion Song

Are you hurting and broken within?
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?
Jesus is calling.

Have you come to the end of yourself?
Do you thirst for a drink from the well?
Jesus is calling.

*Refrain: O come to the altar,
the Father's arms are open wide.
Forgiveness was bought with
the precious blood of Jesus Christ.*

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes.
Come today, there's no reason to wait.
Jesus is calling.

Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy.
From the ashes a new life is born.
Jesus is calling. *(refrain)*

O what a Savior,
isn't He wonderful.
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen.

Bow down before Him,
for He is Lord of all.
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen. *(refrain)*

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown.
Tell the world of the treasure you've found.

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Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, we give you thanks for feeding us with the spiritual food by which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world strengthened by your Spirit to love and serve you and our neighbors. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Blessing

Closing Song

*Refrain: Build Your kingdom here.
Let the darkness fear.
Show Your mighty hand.
Heal our streets and land.
Set Your church on fire.
Win this nation back.
Change the atmosphere.
Build Your kingdom here, we pray!*

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Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Eucharistic Ministers: Connie Boyter, George Watson
Welcome Team: Janet Watson, Gracie Gordon, Rick King
Prayer Team: Judy Stull, Becky Locuson