

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**Proper 24**

**Service of Antecomunion**

**St. John's Episcopal Church**

**Ithaca, NY 14850**

**October 18, 2020**

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Hymns can be found at the end of the bulletin.

**Prelude** Three Variations on *Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend* (Lord Jesus Christ, be present now)  
Georg Böhm (1661-1733)

**Hymn:** I want Jesus to walk with me (Traditional Spiritual) **LEVAS # 70**

**Opening Acclamation** **BCP 355**

**Gloria** **BCP 356**

**Collect of the Day**

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**First Lesson**

**Isaiah 45:1-7**

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to  
Cyrus,  
whose right hand I have grasped  
to subdue nations before him  
and strip kings of their robes,  
to open doors before him--  
and the gates shall not be closed:  
I will go before you and level the  
mountains,  
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze  
and cut through the bars of iron,  
I will give you the treasures of darkness  
and riches hidden in secret places,  
so that you may know that it is I, the Lord,  
the God of Israel, who call you by your  
name.

For the sake of my servant Jacob,  
and Israel my chosen,  
I call you by your name, I surname you,  
though you do not know me.  
I am the Lord, and there is no other;  
besides me there is no god.  
I arm you, though you do not know  
me,  
so that they may know, from the rising of  
the sun  
and from the west, that there is no one  
besides me;  
I am the Lord, and there is no other.  
I form light and create darkness,  
I make weal and create woe;  
I the Lord do all these things.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm 96:1-13***Cantate Domino*

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song; \*  
sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.
- 2 Sing to the Lord and bless his Name; \*  
proclaim the good news of his  
salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations \*  
and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the Lord and greatly to be  
praised; \*  
he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they  
are but idols; \*  
but it is the Lord who made the  
heavens.
- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his  
presence! \*  
Oh, the power and the splendor of  
his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the  
peoples; \*  
ascribe to the Lord honor and power.
- 8 Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his  
Name; \*

- bring offerings and come into his  
courts.
- 9 Worship the Lord in the beauty of  
holiness; \*  
let the whole earth tremble before  
him.
- 10 Tell it out among the nations:  
"The Lord is King! \*  
he has made the world so firm that it  
cannot be moved;  
he will judge the peoples with equity."
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the  
earth be glad;  
let the sea thunder and all that is in it;  
\*  
let the field be joyful and all that is  
therein.
- 12 Then shall all the trees of the wood  
shout for joy  
before the Lord when he comes, \*  
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 13 He will judge the world with  
righteousness \*  
and the peoples with his truth.

**Epistle****1 Thessalonians 1:1-10**

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Sermon****The Rev. Megan Castellan****The Nicene Creed****BCP 358****Prayers of the People: Form III****BCP 387**

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

For the special needs and concerns of our congregation, and especially for:

Wes	Richard	John	Joyce	Heather	Joell
Jean	Dhara	Kathleen	Sue	Mary	Linda
Susan	Julee	Theodore	Skip	Jimmy	Mary
Jeanette	Lorraine	Paul	Joe	Ruth	James
CeCe	Edith	Louis	Virginia	June	
Elizabeth	Libby	Kay	Sara	Clare	

For those celebrating the anniversary of their birth this week: Mary Harcourt, Richard A. Strauss, Sally Clayton

**The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP 364**

**Hymn:** God of our fathers (National Hymn)

**Hymnal # 718**

**Peace**

**Dismissal**

**Postlude** Two Variations on *Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend* (Lord Jesus Christ, be present now)

Georg Böhm (1661-1733)

# I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

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1. I want Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk with me (walk with me); I want  
 2. In my tri - als, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); In my  
 3. In my sor - rows, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); In my

1. Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk with me (walk with me); All a  
 2. tri - als, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); When the  
 3. sor - rows, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); When my

1. long my \_\_\_\_\_ pil - grim jour - ney, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, I want  
 2. shades of \_\_\_\_\_ life \_\_\_\_\_ are fall - ing, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, I want  
 3. heart with \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is ach - ing, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, I want

1. Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk with me (walk with me).  
 2. Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk with me (walk with me).  
 3. Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk with me (walk with me).

Words: Traditional  
 Music: Negro Spiritual; arr. Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from *The Haywood Collection of Negro Spirituals*,  
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## Canticle 20

Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
 might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,  
 on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of  
 God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1954)

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## National Songs

1 God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y  
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the  
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -  
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
 past, in this free land by thee our lot is cast;  
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;  
 way, lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,  
 be thou our ru - ler, guard - ian, guide, and stay,  
 thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease,  
 fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.  
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.  
 thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

Words: Daniel Crane Roberts (1841-1907)

Music: *National Hymn*, George William Warren (1828-1902)

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If you would like to contribute to our ministries, you may [make a secure donation here](#). Thank you!

Sign up for our weekly newsletter [The Fledgling](#) by contacting the church office.

Although the office is closed for the duration of the pandemic, e-mail, regular mail and phone messages will be monitored. If you need pastoral assistance, or just want to reach out to Mtr. Megan, please call 315-757-0251, or e-mail [mtrmegan@stjohnsithaca.org](mailto:mtrmegan@stjohnsithaca.org). She also is available to Skype, Zoom or FaceTime!

**Please Join Us**

Coffee Hour, today at 11:30 on zoom <https://zoom.us/j/94583970408>

Join us for Morning Prayer weekdays at 9:30 on [FaceBook](#) & [YouTube](#).

**October 1st** marked the 3rd anniversary of the dedication of our new congregational hymnals, *Lift Every Voice and Sing II* (LEVAS). Each Sunday Livestream service this month will include hymns from this collection.

**Sing with Cyber Choir!** Make independent sound files of anthems and/or hymns to be blended with other singers for our worship services. Contact the Director of Music through the church office for more info and a zoom link to our 45 minute meetings on Thursdays @ 7pm.

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