

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2020 10:00 a.m.

At-Home Packet



White Crucifixion by Marc Chagall

[Source: Virtual Commentary on Scripture](#)

GATHERING

Preparing for Virtual Worship

Set up a space in your home for worship and prayer. Light a candle, set out a cross or icon to help you focus; set your phone on Do Not Disturb, wash your hands. Take a few deep breaths and say a short prayer to prepare your heart to “enter” a different kind of space. We recommend the Collect for Purity:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prelude: Concerto in B-flat, Op. 4, No. 2

George Frideric Handel

Handel (1685-1759) composed his organ concertos to be played as interludes during performances of his oratorios. It was his reputation as a dazzling organ virtuoso, his dual role as composer and impresario, and the presence of an orchestra sitting idle between the acts of an oratorio that led him to devise the genre of the organ concerto. An arrangement by musicologist Hermann Keller (1885-1967) for solo organ will be heard this morning.

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Reprint edition of these concertos, here arranged for organ alone by Hermann Keller.

Opening Acclamation

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect of the Day

Priest Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever..
Amen.

The First Reading

Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be

haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Gospel

Matthew 16:21-28

*J*esus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?”

“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

Priest The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Meditation

The Rev. Zac Koons

Hymn of the Day: *God Is Love*

Hymn 577

Refrain: God is love, and where true love is God himself is there. When in Christ we worship, love of Christ our calling. Christ, our love, is with us, gladness be his greeting. Let us fear and love him, holy God eternal. Loving him, let each love Christ in one another. Refrain. Grant us love's fulfillment, joy with all the blessed, when we see your face, O Savior, in its glory. Shine on us, O purest Light of all creation, be our bliss while endless ages sing your praises. Refrain.

James Quinn (1919-2010) was a Scottish Jesuit priest. He was one of the most prolific hymn writers of the 20th century, over 200 of his poems have been published. This one is a paraphrase of the ancient Latin hymn Ubi Caritas. English Catholic priest A. Gregory Murray (1905-1992) wrote a beautiful chant-inspired tune to accompany Quinn's words.

Words: Latin; tr. James Quinn (b. 1919), alt.

Music: Ubi caritas (Murray), A. Gregory Murray (1905-1992)

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The celebrant concludes with prayers and a collect

The Lord's Prayer

Priest and People

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.

Announcements

The Offertory Solo: *Lord of the Dance*

Traditional Shaker Melody arr. Mark Hayes

I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth; at Bethlehem I had my birth. *Refrain: Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.* I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee, but they would not dance and they would not follow me; I danced for the fishermen, for James and John; they came with me and the dance went on. *Refrain.* I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame; the holy people said it was a shame. They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, and left me there on a cross to die. *Refrain.* I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on your back. They buried my body and they thought I'd gone: but I am the dance and I still go on. *Refrain.* They cut me down and I leapt up high; I am the life that will never, never die; I'll live in you if you'll live in me: I am the Lord of the dance said he. *Refrain.*

Eric Panter, soloist

"Lord of the Dance" is a hymn written in 1963 by English songwriter Sydney Carter (1915-2004). The melody is from the American Shaker song "Simple Gifts." The song follows the idea of the traditional English carol "Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day," which tells the gospel story in the first-person voice of Jesus of Nazareth with the device of portraying Jesus' life and mission as a dance.

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The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Postlude: *Carillon in B-flat*

Louis Vierne

On the Chimes of the Chapel at the Château de Longpont

During the early part of the 20th century, Vierne (1870-1937) was regularly invited to the Château in Longpont (Aisne, France) in the month of August. It was during that month that an especially important religious festival was held each year. There was a grand procession through the village, and around the grounds of the Château. Vierne naturally contributed to the festivities. A small pump organ was fixed to a cart pulled by two donkeys; safely installed on this mobile stage, he accompanied the singing, and added brilliant improvisations. On hearing the four church bells on August 15, 1913, Vierne was inspired to write the Carillon de Longpont. It was later dedicated to his brother René Vierne, killed on May 19, 1918, not far from Longpont.

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Eating Together: Suggestions for Your Table

We invite you to use this packet to deepen your home worship and provide thoughtful reflection for you and your family.

Today's offertory selection, *Lord of the Dance*, always takes me back to the church trend (at least in Austin) of the folk mass in the 70s. The nave of All Saints Episcopal Church in Austin would be transformed with musicians playing guitars, drums and tambourines, the congregation encouraged to clap and sing.

Even now, each time I hear this song, regardless of the setting in which it's played, I hear the music of a different time and I want to dance - in fact I find it difficult to *not* dance, at least a little. In this one simple, yet revealing song set to a familiar tune, the Gospel of Jesus is spelled out. And even through anticipatory death, his life is portrayed as a dance. Maybe this is why I want to joyously dance when I hear these simplified lyrics - of Jesus coming in to save our collective selves. *Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.* "Let love be genuine ...and hold fast to what it good," Romans:12.

- Joanne Foote

Here's a prayer you can use before dinner:

Move us to praise your gracious will, for in Christ Jesus you have saved us from the deeds of death and opened for us the hidden ways of your love. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Untitled, by Leah Wells, Instagram @leahjwells_

PARISH INTERCESSION LIST

You are invited to use this Intercession List to pray for those listed below.

For healthcare workers: Heather Azarmehr, Christine Brunson, Eric Boudreau, Joan Chapmond, Beth Chenoweth, Mac Dailey, Jodi Doran, Courtney Farris, Russ Farris, Nicole Flores, Jana Kay Green, Steven Jennings, Marcille, Jesse Martin, Charles Osterberg, Cilla Parkinson, Jonea Raney, Jennifer Pollard Ruiz, Samuel, Mary Smith, Jordan Sondgeroth, Jeffrey Todd, Kim Todd, Michael Todd, Amber Featherstone-Uwague, Aaron Walpole.

For those celebrating birthdays: Barbara C. Wilson, Rick Albers, Abu Gomez, Stevie Farris, Miles Barker, Cindy Bogard, Kelly Vande Streek, Christine Kempff, Allison Lee, Andrea Michael, Katherine Boudreau, Frank Severn, Max Reshetnikov.

For those celebrating anniversaries: Diane & Greg Stangl.

For those whom the Daughters of the King pray.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Outdoor in-person Sunday eucharist services *beginning September 13:***
 - **8:00 a.m.** (parking lot, 25-person limit)
 - **7:00 p.m.** (Meditation Trail, 15-person limit).
 - **Reservations will be required** and will open on the Monday prior to the Sunday service. Links will be on our home page: www.stmarksaustin.org
- **Online Youth Gathering: Sunday, August 30th, at 7:30 p.m.** Join us as we check in, see friendly faces, and talk about plans for the fall! Zoom link will be going out soon -- email Casey (casey@stmarksaustin.org) if you'd like to be added to the youth email list.
- **Rector's Book Group returns on Tuesdays, beginning September 8 @ 7:00 p.m.** We will be reading & discussing *The Cross and the Lynching Tree* by James Cone. Books can be ordered through Amazon [here](#) or locally through Book People [here](#), or a source of your choosing. Please read through the intro and chapter one prior to the meeting.
- **New Sunday School series begins September 13th** with Rev. Dr. Nathan Jennings. Stay tuned for details! Please continue to join us for Coffee Hour through August!

ONGOING EVENTS

- **Morning Prayer, Mondays - Fridays, 8:30 a.m.** via Zoom. Links posted on our website each day www.stmarksaustin.org.
- **Contemplative Prayer Group, Saturdays, 9 a.m.** Access link [here](#). All are welcome!
- **Tuesdays: Noon Bible Study will resumes *September 15th.***

Ministers of the Service

Lectors:

Leo Paterra, Barbara Dody, Pattie Rose & Mike Davis.

Peace videos from the following (list may not be in order of appearance):

The Bushman Family, The Blanding Family, The Davis Family, Karen Milton & Michael Meigs, The Stockstill Family.



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