THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9 August 2020

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider + Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever, Amen.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

Bunessan; Gaelic melody Text: ascribed to St Patrick; James Quinn, SJ



THE OPENING COLLECT

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray

O God of all power, your sovereign word comes to us in Christ. When your church is in danger, make firm our trust; when your people falter, steady our faith. Show us in Jesus your power to save, that we may always acclaim him as Lord. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE HEBREW SCRIPTURE

1 Kings 19:9-18

Lector A Reading from the first book of Kings

▲ t Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Λ Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here," Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

THE PSALM

85:8-13 Benedixisti, Domine Antiphon Larry Tremsky /Chant from St. John's Abbey, Collegeville



I listen to what the LORD God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him. Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. *Antiphon*

Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other. Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven. *Antiphon*

The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet. *Antiphon*

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God.".

Deacon	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Adam Bucko Director of the Center for Spiritual Imagination



Hymn

Nettleton



THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Adapted from the Sisters of Mercy

Deacon We offer our prayers to you O God of Life, you created all people as one family and call us to live together in harmony and peace; surround us with your love as we face the challenges and tragedies of this present time.

Silence may be kept.

Intercessor In this time of bewilderment and fear, we ask you to give us the courage to take care of one another as Jesus did. For those who are ill, especially those who are frightened and alone, for those who cannot access

healthcare, for those who are homeless and lost; Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer.

In the midst of our sadness and grief, we ask you to give us words to comfort one another. For those who are dying, and for those who have already died from this virus, for those who care for them and for those with no one to care for them. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer**.

In the midst of our own anxiety, we ask for the courage to support one another as you would. For the people of Beirut, for those who are poor, hungry, and homeless; for those who have lost their employment; those who fear the present and the future; for our government and financial institutions and those who lead them; Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer.

In the midst of our brokenness, we pray that the peace of the risen Christ may heal the wounds of all victims of injustice, exploitation, prejudice, hatred and racism. We pray for our nation to stand up and do the work of uniting us, not dividing us. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer**.

In the midst of our struggle to ensure a healthy future for all people, we ask you to give us the hope that surpasses our current understanding. For healthcare workers, spiritual leaders and our faith communities, for artists and poets, for prophets and teachers; Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer.

Silence may be kept

Presider Gathering our prayers and praises together, we are bold to say:

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.

CONCLUDING COLLECTS

Amen.

People

- Presider Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
 People Amen.
- *A Collect for the Elimination of Racism Presider* Good and gracious God, you invite us to recognize and reverence your divine image and likeness in our neighbor. Enable us to see the reality of racism and free us to challenge and uproot it from our society, our world and ourselves. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

The Rev. Dr Sam Wells

Presider God of healing and hope, in Jesus you meet us in our places of pain and fear. Look with mercy on those who have contracted the coronavirus, on any who are vulnerable, and on all who feel in danger. Through this time of global concern, by your Holy Spirit bring out the best not the worst in us. Make us more aware of our interdependence on each other, and of the strength that comes from being one body in you. Through Christ our wounded healer.
 People Amen.



THE BENEDICTION

Presider May God give you Grace never to sell yourself short! Grace to risk something big for something good! Grace to remember that the world is too dangerous for anything but truth and too small for anything but Love! And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.
Presider

People Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

DeaconLet us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.PeopleThanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE



Icon written by Ulyana Tomkevych



From the Brooklyn Bridge to Montauk Point A house of prayer for all of Long Island