

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

October 4, 2020

This week's service will be a LIVESTREAM Worship!!
Simply click the link below just before 9:45am Sunday, morning!

OR watch the zoom worship live through our Facebook page.

[Email the office for the link: allinchurch@gmail.com](mailto:allinchurch@gmail.com)

***Also we will be celebrating communion at the end of this service. Please have ready some bread, a cracker, rice cake or your favorite communion food and something to drink - could be juice, wine, coffee or whatever you have at the ready.*

PRELUDE

Model

Alec Rowley

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Psalm 80:7-15

Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it.

You cleared the ground for it; it took deep root and filled the land.

The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches;

it sent out its branches to the sea, and its shoots to the River.

Why then have you broken down its walls, so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?

The boar from the forest ravages it, and all that move in the field feed on it.

Turn again, O God of hosts; look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine, the stock that your right hand planted.

HYMN

Blessed Assurance

Fanny J. Crosby

INVOCATION and THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: The whole world is in God's hands.

People: Everything that lives and breathes.

Everything that simply is. Everything.

Leader: From the farthest spaces, to the inmost places!

People: God is with us and we are with God. Alleluia!

Leader: As people of Christ, gathered at table,
with our sisters and brothers around the world,
to remember whose we are, we praise —

People: Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

Leader: Shall we pray?

With all that we have, with all that we are,
we worship you, God-of-all-Being.

Bless this day. Bless this time. Bless this gathering.

Bless this world, with your overflowing love. Alleluia!

People: Alleluia! Amen! (Canada)

God of brilliant sunsets and shining rainbows,
God of golden daffodils and glowing autumn leaves,
God of all the blues of sunlit seas,
God of all the shades of green in bush and field,
in rivers and oceans and lakes,
in rough stones on a beach and polished jewels in a showcase,
God of people, brown and amber, pink and ebony,
artistic and athletic, practical and visionary,
compassionate and laughter-bringing,
God who colours us a world of variety,

We thank you that you have made each of us unique,

that you call us to contribute our special colours to the life around us.

**We come to you in thanksgiving and worship and the Christ who taught us
to pray saying, 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

(Aotearoa / New Zealand)

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE

Tanya Mathis

Philippians 3:4-14

even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of

knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 21:33-46

“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes’? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.” When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

ANTHEM

Pie jesu from Requiem

G. Faure

SERMON

THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Leader: We rejoice in the God of life,
who gives us bread:

the fruit of the earth worked with human hands.
and who makes it into the bread of life.

**People: We rejoice in the God of life
who gives us wine:**

**the fruit of the vine tended with daily care,
and puts the flavour of the new world into it.**

Leader: As the wheat and grapes are joined on this table in bread and wine –
into a visual symbol for us –

**People: May our church join together
into a visual symbol for the entire world.** (Germany)

CONFESSIONAL COMMITMENT

Paz, peace, py'aguapy.

Eu me comprometo, Deus, a buscar:

A cura do meu relacionamento com você.

A cura do meu relacionamento comigo mesmo.

A cura do meu relacionamento com os outros.

A cura do meu relacionamento com toda a sua criação.

¡SHALOM!

Paz, peace, py'aguapy.

I commit, God, to searching for:

The healing of my relationship with you.

The healing of my relationship with myself.

The healing of my relationship with others.

The healing of my relationship with all your creation.

¡SHALOM! (Chile)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Forgiveness is forgetting bad things,
remembering good things.

Forgiveness is accepting God's love. (China)

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

Leader: In this World Communion, we remember that we are just one people in a whole
world of peoples and so we open our hearts in prayer for the people of other countries.

Hear us name these countries that we lift up in communion now...

**** Friends at home! You are welcome to briefly unmute yourselves and
speak the name of the country or countries for whom we pray.****

WORDS OF REMEMBERING

Remember, the Lord, the friend of sinners,

who were the oppressed, the estranged, the weak, the sick, widow, orphans.
Remember, the Lord, the one disliking of the common structure and power.
Remember, the Lord, the one sharing of daily food in life.
Remember, the Lord, the one liberating from a dictator.
We remember thy suffering, O Lord, at thy Last Supper. (Korea)

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Leader: You emptied yourself completely
keeping nothing for yourself.
Now, naked, utterly stripped,
you give yourself to us as bread that sustains us
and as wine that consoles us.

**People: You are Light and Truth
You are the Way and the Hope
You are Love. Grow in us.** (Guatemala)

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

The ears of wheat are broken and scattered
on the hillside to grow.
Gathered, they are broken again
and scattered throughout the city to make bread.
the bread is scattered to each home
and broken to make nourishment.
Broken and scattered, broken and scattered,
and some becomes Christ's body broken for us
as we are the people of God scattered through the city
and, perhaps, broken to give nourishment to others. (South Africa)

We receive this bread, broken, scattered and made whole.

eat the bread

We drink this cup, thirsty, longing, willing to be poured.

drink the cup

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

(in unison) We give you thanks O Lord, for all food that has arrived at our table from your generosity. Bless the people who have made it possible, from the cultivation of the earth until it arrived to us. Give bread to those who are hungry, and to those who have bread give us hunger for you. Amen
(Mexico, grace contributed from an orphanage in Colima, may not be the original source)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude by Flor

Peeters