

## Texts for Worship – November 15th, 2020

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Gladstone, NJ

Rev. Dr. Kent R. Walley, Rector

**Prelude** *Kyrie from Messe pour les Paroisses- Plein chant, Fugue sur les jeux d'anches, Récit de Chrombone*

François Couperin

**Welcome and Introduction**

Rev. Dr. Kent R. Walley

**Ringin of the Tower Bells**

**Opening Hymn #598** *Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth* Recorded for today's webcast by Brian Harlow and the St. Luke's Choir

*Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth, upon a cross they bound thee,  
and mocked thy saving kingship then by thorns with which they crowned thee;  
and still our wrongs may weave thee now new thorns to pierce that steady brow, and robe of sorrow round thee.*

*O awful Love, which found no room in life where sin denied thee,  
and, doomed to death, must bring to doom the powers which crucified thee,  
till not a stone was left on stone, and all those nations' pride, o'er thrown, went down to dust beside thee!*

*New advent of the love of Christ, shall we again refuse thee,  
till in the night of hate and war we perish as we lose thee?  
From old unfaith our souls release to seek the kingdom of thy peace, by which alone we choose thee.*

*O wounded hands of Jesus, build in us thy new creation;  
our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled, we wait thy revelation:  
O love that triumphs over loss, we bring our hearts efore thy cross, to finish thy salvation.*

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**Salutation and Opening Prayer**

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Celebrant: Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **People:** And blessed by His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

**A Song of Praise** *Benedictus es, Domine*

Canticle 13 BCP page 90

*Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \* you are worthy of praise; glory to you.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \* we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.  
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \*on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.  
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \*we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.  
Glory to you, beholding the depths; \*in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \* we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.*

**The Collect of the Day** – The Lord be with you. *And also with you.* Let us pray.

*Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark,  
learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life,  
which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
for ever and ever. Amen.*

**Today's Readings** Can be found at: <https://episcopalchurch.org/lectionary/pentecost-proper-28a>

Read by Worship Leader, Barbara Noe

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, Psalm 90:1-12 BCP page 717

**The Gospel:** Matthew 25:14-30

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew. **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

*After the reading:* The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon**

Rev. Harvey Carey

**Prayers of the People**

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**Prayers in Honor of Veterans Day**

*Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at  
home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and  
temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding  
presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in  
the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of  
this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines. This we ask in the Name of Jesus  
Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Those on our Parish List battling Covid19:** Jack, Kathy, Margo, Patty, Kit, Sean, Don, Beth, Taylor, Anne, Terry, Philip, Annie, Danny, Simon, Margaret, John & Family, Zoe, Frank, Sonja, Gisela, Anne, Jennifer, 10 residents in Matheny, residents of Luther Crest Nursing Home, Phil, Rosemarie, Joe, Tara, Paula, Michael, Ann, Barbara, Becca, Residents at Holly Manor Nursing Home, Anne, Pina, Jim, Melford, Mike, Margo, Charlie, Gene, Laura, Andrew, James, Sam, Jack, Lisa, Jennifer, Chris, and Del.

**Thanksgiving for those who have recovered:** Emma, Roopan, Cayden, Evie, Adam, Kevin, Pierson (first name), Charlie, Gus, Marie, Kelly, Molly, Christopher, Emily, Arthur, Anthony, Michele, Leon, Briana, Kelli, Diana, James, Billy, Mary, Jean, Omana, Eny and daughter Any, Gastivo, Matthew, Simon, Paula, Nancy, Nick, Kat, Jessie, Cindy, Annie, Danny, Pete, Fr. Tom, Gavin and members of his platoon at Fort Benning.

**Prayers for First Responders, Chaplains, Medical Professionals on our Parish List:** Pete Liloia, the Rev. Karen Lewis Dcn, Evan Webster, Bethany, Roopan, Will, Lisa, Christopher, Kate, Michele, Kate, John's Team, Meg, Kara, Andrew, John, Barbara, Alexa, Victoria, Brian, Alicia, Alieie, Nicole, and Anthony P., Don, Kent, Harvey, Brianne, Judy, Tom, Lexi and Dan, Charlie, Mary, Margaret, Michele, Susan, Emily, Drew, Nourish NJ Staff, James (Chicago), Alex, Jennifer, Julia, Katelin, Alyssa, Tate, Michaela, John, Zoe, Claire, Jim, April, Sheeja, Erica, Dr. Shawna Hampton, Cathy, Christopher, Bob, Cristian, Violeta, Jane, Kourtney, new medical graduates from NYU and other schools, Debra, Lin, Dana, Kelly, Craig, Boone, Meg, Irwin, Rev. Dan, Sonja, Melissa, Marie, Nick, Lindsay, Sarah, Adon, Chris, Brittany and Olivia.

**Parish Sick and Shut In:** Topyy Campbell, Chet Smalley, Bev Anderson, Tom Wahl, Peggy Nanfeldt, Lynne Cross, Sid Dillon, Elizabeth Spencer, Jane Knight, Anne Fischer, Peggy King, Bob Diemar, Sharon Floyd, Daryl Hunt, Jennie Savona, Kenneth Koletto, Beth, Bob Lloyd, Glenda Eakle, Jeanette Breitenbach, Steven Silvestri, Francis Newcomer, Jim David, Kate Thuestad, Clarissa Scarano Marvin, the Kinn family, Nicole Burbach, Diane Toothill, Marco Cutinello, Mary K. Walley, Dorothy Diana, Max Legband, Gemma, Andy Moses, Connie Rutherford Wall and her family, Steve Hansbury, Jennie Ivens, Cynthia Johnston, Marilyn and Bruce, the Hayward Family, Steve Levinn, and Cecilia Holle.

**Altar Flowers and Outreach:** Given to the Glory of God by Jennifer and Lee Pierson to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Sterling, Gudrun, Mimi, Sunny, and Kittie Pierson

#### Confession of Sin

*Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.*

*We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.*

*We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

#### Absolution and Peace

#### Announcements

Offertory Anthem *Prayer for Peace*

Jean-Baptiste Lully (1632-1687)

*Jennifer Forte-Flynn, mezzo soprano*

#### Concluding Prayers

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*O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

#### The Lord's Prayer, Prayer for Mission, and General Thanksgiving

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*Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.*

*Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.*

#### Blessing

#### Doxology

#### Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! **People:** *Thanks be to God.*

#### Postlude *Fanfare*

by Jacques Lemmens (1823-1881)