



A Service for the Sixth Sunday of Easter Sunday, May 9, 2021

Opening Hymn: "Weave"

Noah Spofford

Chorus: Weave, weave , weave us together
Weave us together in unity and love.
Weave, weave , weave us together.
Weave us together, together in love.

1. We are many textures, we are many colors,
Each one different from the other.
But we are entwined with one another
In one great tapestry. (chorus)
2. We are different instruments,
Playing our own melody,
Each one tuning to a different key,
But we are all playing in harmony,
In one great symphony. (Chorus)
3. A moment ago. still we did not know,
Our unity, only diversity.
The love in me greets the love in thee,
In one great family. (Chorus)

Welcome

The Rt. Rev. Thomas James Brown, Bishop of Maine

Opening Acclamation

The D'Angio White Family

Alleluia. Christ is Risen!

Christ is Risen indeed. Alleluia



Prayer for Mother's Day

Mary Ellen Johnston

By The Rev. Leslie Nipps from *Women's Uncommon Prayers*

On this Mother's Day, we give thanks to God for the divine gift of motherhood in all its diverse forms. Let us pray for all the mothers among us today; for our own mothers, those living and those who have passed away; for the mothers who loved us and for those who fell short of loving us fully; for all who hope to be mothers someday and for those whose hope to have children has been frustrated; for all mothers who have lost children; for all women and men who have been our substitute mothers and we who have done so for those in need; and for the earth that bore us and provides us sustenance. We pray this all in the name of God, our great and loving Mother. Amen.

Collect of the Day

The Rev. Peter Jenks

God be with you
and also with you
Let us pray together

Holy One we thank you for the gifts of your creation and thank you that Jesus came upon this earth to show us how to live and love. May we be faithful stewards of this good earth and follow in the footsteps of your son Jesus, inspired by your Holy Spirit this day and always. Amen.

The First Lesson: Acts 10:44-48

Doug Mayer

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.



Psalm 98

Anne McGhie

Cantate Domino

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.



The Gospel: John 15:9-17

The Rev. Mary Lee Wile

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Sermon

Michael Douglass, Director, Camp Bishopswood

Nicene Creed

The Rev. Nathan Ferrell

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation



he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

William Bentley

We pray for the Church throughout the world, the Diocese of Maine, its people and clergy,
and Camp Bishopswood, campers, benefactors and staff

Hear us God and may we always be thankful

We pray for the people and communities of faith From whom we have come, And to whom
we shall return.

Hear us God and keep us open to the many ways in which people praise you

We pray for the sick, those grieving the loss of a loved one, people who are oppressed,
homeless, and hungry.

Hear us O God and give us the courage to act



We pray for the broken and torn fabric of the earth and for all peoples impacted by its destruction.

Hear us O God and help us to be good stewards of your creation.

Together let us pray, Gracious God we thank you for bringing us together as a community who loves you and as we leave this place may we put into action the lessons learned here in our homes, schools and communities. **Amen**

The Peace

The Rev. Cn. Sara D'Angio White

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Musical Interlude

Bless the Lord my Soul

Celtic Echoes

Great Thanksgiving

The Rev. Cn. Susan Murphy

Eucharistic Prayer 2

From *Enriching Our Worship I*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,
source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep
and brought all things into being:

sun, moon, and stars;

earth, winds, and waters;

and every living thing.



You made us in your image,
and taught us to walk in your ways.
But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;
and yet, as a mother cares for her children,
you would not forget us.
Time and again you called us
to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels
in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,
lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.
To deliver us from the power of sin and death
and to reveal the riches of your grace,
you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,
that she might conceive and bear a son,
Jesus the holy child of God.
Living among us, Jesus loved us.
He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,
healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.
He yearned to draw all the world to himself
yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.
Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross
the sacrifice of his life,
and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,
Jesus was at table with his friends.



He took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:
“Take, eat:
This is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”
As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
which is poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,
who was and is and is to come,
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth
and make us your new creation,
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us,
with all your saints,
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
to feast at the banquet prepared
from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,



for ever and ever. AMEN.

Lord's Prayer

Paul Rogers

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil,
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen

Fraction Anthem

The Rev. Cn. Susan Murphy

This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.
Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Invitation to a Spiritual Communion

Michael Gleason, SMSgt (Ret), USAF

Written by Ben Cooke

Beloved, a spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray, expressing their desire to receive Holy Communion in this moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion. Since we are now apart, let us pray:

All Christ, you invite us to your feast, setting before us your hearts bread, and your life's wine. We long with all our souls to feast with you at the Altar, to taste and see the Lord's goodness today. Since we cannot now find union at the table, grant your presence spiritually. We offer you our all; hearts, lives and souls, that we may become eternally one. Amen.



Bishopswood Prayer

Written by Heidi Schott

Zara Machatine

Most Gracious God, we thank you for this place, Camp Bishopswood.
For the pine scented grounds, the clean waters of the lake
the songs of the birds, and the beauty that surrounds us each day.
We thank you for the ministry of Camp Bishopswood,
the presence of all of us here today,
and the community that is forged here each summer.
May we come with open hearts and a joy for living,
with the strength and wisdom to become
the persons you call us to be.
May we learn to love whatever is just, true
and good in each other.
May we be inspired by your presence in each of us,
and may your blessing be upon us always. Amen

Blessing

The Rt. Rev. Thomas James Brown, Bishop of Maine

Dismissal

The Rev. Mary Lee Wile

Go in peace knowing that God always loves you

Thanks be to God

Postlude

Hymnal 1982 #412

Earth and All Stars

Dr. Anthony Antolini, piano



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