Prayer on a Page 13th Sunday after Trinity 6th September 2020

¶ Preparation

God of our days and years, we set this time apart for you. Form us in the likeness of Christ so that our lives may glorify you.

[Full hymn on page 2 and website]

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; now fulfil thy church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour.

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Collect

Almighty God,

who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:

help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you;

through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

¶ Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Romans 13.8-14

[Full anthem on page 2 and website]

Where charity is true, there God is. The love of Christ has gathered us into one.

Let us exult, and in him be joyful. Let us fear and love the living God. And from a sincere heart let us love each other (and him).

Liber Usualis

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18.15-20

Time for Reflection

Acclamation

This is the message we have heard from Christ and proclaim to you: that God is light, in whom there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with God while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true. But if we walk in the light as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another. And the blood of Jesus, the Son of God, cleanses us from all our sins.

¶ Prayers

Penitence

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.

Intercession

We pray to the Lord.

For the unity of the Church in witness and proclamation of the Gospel ...

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the peace and stability of all peoples and for the leaders of the nations ...

Lord, hear our prayer.

For places of work, education and leisure ...

Lord, hear our prayer.

For a blessing on our homes; for our relations and friends and all whom we love ...

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the sick and suffering and all who minister to their needs ...

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

¶ Conclusion

O Holy Spirit, giver of light and life, impart to us thoughts better than our own thoughts, and prayers better than our own prayers, and powers better than our own powers, that we may spend and be spent in the ways of love and goodness, after the perfect image of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

- God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; now fulfil thy church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour.
- 2 Lo, the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways; from the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.
- 3 Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control; shame our wanton selfish gladness, rich in goods and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.
- Set our feet on lofty places, gird our lives that they may be armoured with all Christlike graces in the fight till all be free.
 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail not man nor thee.

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Anthem: I give to you a new commandment – Peter Nardone

I give to you a new commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you.

Ubi caritas est vera, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.

[Where charity is true, there God is. The love of Christ has gathered us into one.]

Exsultemus et in ipso iucundemur. Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.

[Let us exult, and in Him be joyful. Let us fear and love the living God.]

I give to you a new commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you.

Et ex corde diligamus nos sincerro.

[And from a sincere heart let us love each other (and Him).]

Amen.

John 13. 34-35 & Liber Usualis

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