

Liturgy - August 6,
19th Sunday Ordinary Time

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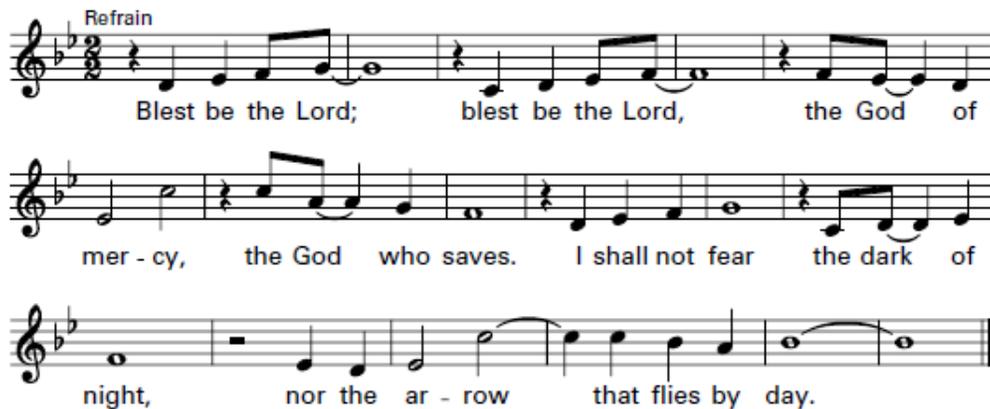
Welcome/Announcements/Birthdays/Anniversaries:

Opening Song: #585, Blest Be the Lord

BLEST BE THE LORD

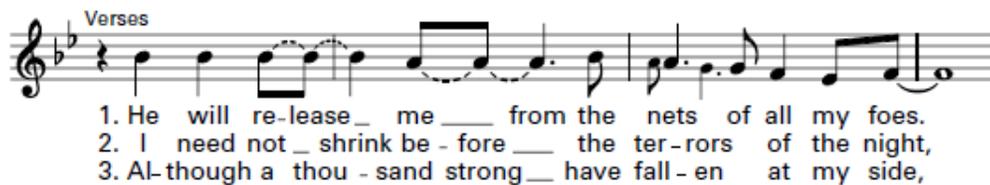
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Refrain

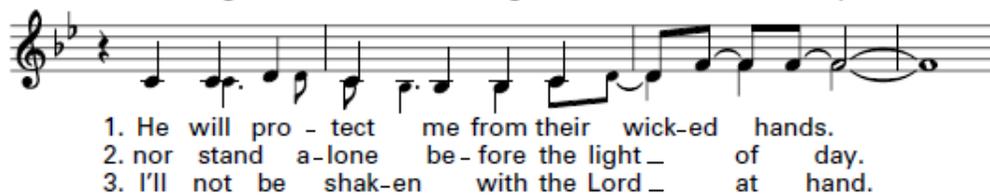


Blest be the Lord; blest be the Lord, the God of
mer - cy, the God who saves. I shall not fear the dark of
night, nor the ar - row that flies by day.

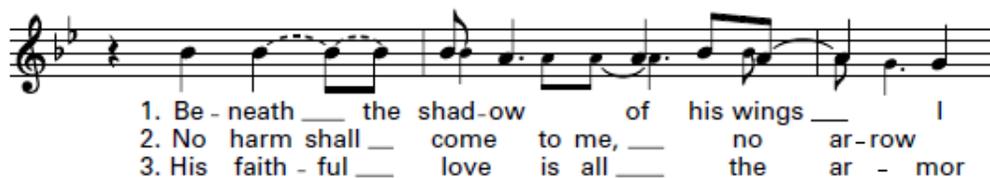
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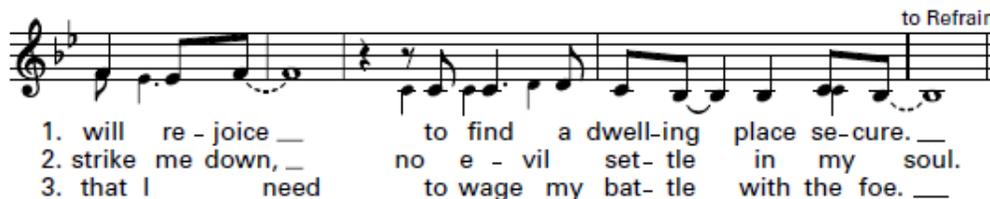
1. He will re-lease me from the nets of all my foes.
2. I need not shrink be-fore the ter-rors of the night,
3. Al-though a thou-sand strong have fall-en at my side,



1. He will pro-lect me from their wick-ed hands.
2. nor stand a-lone be-fore the light of day.
3. I'll not be shak-en with the Lord at hand.



1. Be-neath the shad-ow of his wings I
2. No harm shall come to me, no ar-row
3. His faith-ful love is all the ar-mor



to Refrain

1. will re-joice to find a dwell-ing place se-secure.
2. strike me down, no e-vil set-tle in my soul.
3. that I need to wage my bat-tle with the foe.

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Teri: Let us continue as one expression of God's people. + Father, Son, Holy Spirit.: **Amen.**

Teri: May the Love of God, the care and compassion of the Incarnation, and the Breath of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Penitential Rite

Teri: Teri: Let us turn to our God as we begin.....

God, You create all people in your image, Lord have mercy.....**Lord, have mercy.**

Jesus, when we feed the hungry, we are feeding You, Christ have mercy....**Christ, have mercy.**

Spirit of God, You are mindful of us all and dream of universal flourishing, Lord have mercy.....**Lord, have mercy.**

May our loving God shower us with grace, be forever present to us, forgive our sins, and bring us all to everlasting joy and life. **Amen.**

Gloria:

Teri: Let us grab those holy noisemakers, and proclaim our Glory to God.

Glory and praise forever! (bells/tambourines?)

Blessed are you, O God,

Praiseworthy and exalted forever;

And blessed is your holy and glorious name

For all ages.

Glory and praise forever! (bells/tambourines?)

Blessed are you on the throne of your kin(g)dom,

Glory and praise forever! (bells/tambourines?)

Blessed are you who look into the depths.

Glory and praise forever! (bells/tambourines?)

Opening Prayer

Teri: Let us pray.....God, we pray to you because prayer is powerful and we believe prayer can change the condition of our own heart. Increase your wisdom in us, God. May we know and understand the things we need to know. And may we never be selfish with our wisdom. In Jesus' name we pray **Amen.**

First Reading - Chuck

A reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes (5:2, 6-19)

As dreams come along with many cares, so a fool's voice along with a multitude of words. With many dreams come vanities and a multitude of words; but fear God!

If you see oppression of the poor, violation of rights, and injustice in the realm, do not be surprised! You know such things happen. One official is supervised by a higher official. Both are overseen by other officials, higher still.

The covetous are never satisfied with money, nor lovers of wealth with their gain; this too is vanity. Where there are great riches, many appear to devour them. Of what use are these goods to the owner except as a feast for the eyes alone? The sleep of a laborer is sweet, whether they eat little or much. As for the rich, their abundance permits them no sleep.

I have seen a grievous evil under the sun: riches hoarded to the harm of its owners. I have seen riches lost in a bad venture, though its owners were parents of children. They had no means to care for them; no inheritance to help the next generation on their way.

Yield from the land is taken. Rulers and the ruling elite especially profit from the fields. Their concern is cultivation and profit, not with those who cultivate it. As we come forth from our mother's womb, so again shall we return; naked as we came. We take nothing from our toil to bring with us.

This too is a grievous evil; that people go just as they came! What, then, do they gain? Do they toil but for the wind? All their days they eat in irrelevance, with great frustration, affliction, and anger.

Here is what I see as good: to eat, drink, and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun during the limited days of life God gives us, for this is our lot.

This has been a reading from Ecclesiastes.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel - Teri

Teri: Alleluia. Alleluia. ***Alleluia. Alleluia.***

Teri: The Word of Christ be with you all. ***And Also with you.***

Teri: Reading from the Gospel attributed to Luke.

Glory to You, O God. +

A crowd had gathered around Jesus when a voice called out: “Teacher, tell my eldest sibling to divide the family inheritance with me.” Jesus responded, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator between you?” Turning to the crowds, Jesus said, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed. One’s life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.”

Then Jesus told them a parable:

“The land of a rich farmer produced abundantly. The landowner thought: ‘What should I do? I have no place to store my crops! I know, I will pull down my barns and build larger ones! I will store all my grain and my goods there. I will say to myself: Self, you have ample goods laid up for many years. Relax! Eat! Drink! Be merry.’ But God said, ‘You fool! This very night your life is demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ”

“So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves, but are not rich toward God.”

Then Jesus said to his disciples: “Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. Consider the ravens. They don't sow or reap. They have no storeroom or barn. Yet God feeds them. Are you not as dear to God as the ravens?”

“Who of you, by worrying, can add a single hour to your life? Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest? Seek God's kin-dom, and these things will follow.

“Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If God so clothes the grass in the field that grows today and is thrown into the oven tomorrow, will God not provide for you, O you of little faith?”

“Do not be afraid, little flock. Your Loving God has been pleased to give you the kin-dom. Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Keep coffers which will not wear out. A treasure in heaven will never fail. There, no thief draws near and no moth destroys. Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

Praise to you, Jesus our Christ

Homily: - Teri

Prayers of the People - Chuck

Chuck : Our response today is ***God, we trust in you.***

For our world. We strive to bring peace, understanding and compassion to this world. We work to bring about Your kingdom and we look to leaders to guide us. May we all use strengthen the common good and serve with compassion and tolerance toward all, especially the most marginalized. We pray: ***God, we trust in you.***

For our global church and all followers of Christ. That we may prayerfully discern how we are called to serve God and bring God's justice to birth in our world. We pray: ***God, we trust in you.***

For those who are ill, who suffer from anxiety, fear, guilt, or shame. For those struggling to find their place in this world. For all of these people, especially **BLANK**, we ask that Christ's tender love may guide them during this time and bring peace to their hearts. We pray: ***God, we trust in you.***

For those who have died, especially **BLANK**. That they may feel the peace and joy of eternal life with God. And for those whose hearts are heavy with the passing of a loved one. That they may trust in the constant friendship of Jesus to walk with them during these days. We pray: ***God, we trust in you.***

Chuck : Fr. Teri will now read the prayers that have been typed in the comments. (PAUSE....Fr. Teri will let you know when to go on.)

Chuck : For these and for all the prayers we share through our hearts, we pray: ***God, we trust in you.***

Chuck : In addition, Prayer Partners will be available after Mass here in the Sanctuary by the back altar. For those at home, or those who have a prayer to share during the week, you can email our Prayer Companion Team at prayercompanionteam@lightofchristecc.org and someone will reach out to you. These prayer ministers welcome and invite you, in confidence, to share your concerns in more detail or depth, or even to pray for you when you can't find the words.

Collect:

Sign of Peace:

Teri: May the peace of Christ be with you always. ***And also with you.***

Let us share with one another a sign of that peace....

Liturgy of the Eucharist:

Teri: Blessed are you, Loving God of all Creation, through your goodness we have these gifts to place on your table. They represent our entire lives, and all that we have to offer. May they become the Light of Christ in your world. ***Blessed be God forever.***

Teri: Blessed are you, Loving God of all Creation, through your goodness we have this bread and this wine to place on your table. Work of earth and human hands. May it become our spiritual food and drink. ***Blessed be God forever.***

Teri: Wash away my iniquity, cleanse me.

Teri: Pray my sisters and brothers, my family, that these our gifts and our lives may continue to be blessed by our Loving God.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at our hands, for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good and the good of all God's world.

Teri: The peace of our God be with you all. ***And also with you.***

Teri: Let us open up our hearts. ***We open them up to our God.***

Teri: Let us give thanks to our Loving God. ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

Teri (Eucharistic Prayer based on the work of <http://www.diarmuid13.com/eucharistic-prayers>):

“God of life, you nurture and sustain your people. You bless us with abundance; you gift us with your graciousness; you know our every need. In the birthing forth of creation you call us into being. You gift us with holiness and wholeness; you sustain our every endeavor. You feed your hungry people. You plunge us deep into the waters of Baptism, immersing us in your love, and then call us to work for justice, to

share our table with all creation, to feed the needy at our door, to see nobody left in need.

For the blessing of your gifts, and the challenge of your call to us, we lift our voices now with those who are blessed; with the hungry and those who are fed and those who feed others, with the choirs of angels and all of creation we are glad to profess Your praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy One, 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 Holy One, Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Teri: God, Goodness of the World, you prepare tables before us. Send your Holy Spirit upon us gathered around tables throughout your world and gathered as your Body that we may become signs of your love and transforming work in the world. + Let also your Spirit come upon these gifts of bread and wine to make them holy so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our brother, Jesus the Christ.

Today, we gather to remember that on the night before he died, Jesus ate with his followers and his friends. We recall how he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it, he broke it, and gave it to them saying - ***"Take this all of you and eat it. This is my body which will be given up for you."***

We remember also, that on the night before Jesus died, He took the cup filled with wine, and after giving thanks, passed it to his friends, saying, ***"Take this all of you and drink from it. This is the cup of my blood. The blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."*** (bow)

Teri: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.....

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Teri: We gather around many tables, knowing that God has called us together and that all tables are God's table. We celebrate this Meal, in memory of our brother Jesus. We honor the memory of all those who have shared in his earthly ministry, so that it might be alive in us today. We treasure our participation in this resurrection and the new life growing in us.

God, we ask that you bless our leaders, especially Bishop Francis and Bishop Kae, that the shepherds in our midst may be inspired by your Spirit and also fed through your meal.

God, keep us faithful to your dreams for us, faithful to your Word alive in us. Strengthen us to follow where you would lead. As we get up from our seats at your Table and leave these sanctuaries today, may we stand tall in the Gospel, sharing the good news of resurrection and love and proclaiming the rights of the oppressed.

We are confident, God, that you remember our ancestors who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection. Welcome them into the embrace of your eternal love. Shower us all with grace, along with all of creation, whom we have shared your breath with in this world.

May we together praise and glorify You, through Jesus the Christ.

Teri: Together now, we say..... ***Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours all loving God, forever and ever. Amen.***

LORD'S PRAYER

Teri: Let us join hearts together, a symbol of how God is circling the world right now and prayer words that have been prayed for centuries.

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 the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Teri: This is the Body and Blood of Christ. This is the one who transforms the world. Blessed are we who are called to this meal.

God, I am ready to receive you. Because by your invitation, I am here.

Communion Song: Let Us Break Bread Together

LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER

Spiritual



1. Let us break bread to-gether all as one; Let us break
2. Let us drink wine to-gether all as one; Let us drink
3. Help us feed one an-oth-er all as one; Let us feed
4. In Your king- dom to-gether all as one; In Your king-
5. Let us praise God to-gether all as one; Let us praise



1. bread to-gether all as one; As we join all as one,
2. wine to-gether all as one;
3. one an-oth-er all as one;
4. dom to-gether all as one;
5. God to-gether all as one;



with our face to the ri-sing sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on us.

Text: 10 10 with refrain; Spiritual. Music: LET US BREAK BREAD.

Prayer after Communion:

Teri: Righteous One of all generations.

God at the center of all circles, may this meal we share feed us and bring us as One into the Body of Christ. May this sacrament fill us with the Love of God, the three in One. In Jesus' name, we pray. **Amen.**

Teri: The Love of God be with you. ***And also with you.***

Teri: Let us open our hearts and ask for God's blessing. May God give you the wisdom and the courage to serve God, and God's people and God's world with all that is in you. May we aspire to be the church of the ravens, and all who are hungry. And may God bless us all....in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ***Amen.***

Teri: We are the Light of Christ. Let us go forth as such, loving and serving God as we get to love and serve in God's world. **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Song: #551, Let all things now Living

Let All Things Now Living



1. Let all things now liv - ing A song of thanks - giv - ing
2. His law he en - forc - es, The stars in their cours - es,



To God our Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise;
The sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine,



Who fash - ioned and made us, Pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
The hills and the moun - tains, The riv - ers and foun - tains,



By guid - ing us on to the end of our days.
The depths of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us, Pure light goes be - fore us,
We, too, should be voic - ing Our love and re - joic - ing



A pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night:
With glad ad - o - ra - tion, a song let us raise:



Till shad - ows have van - ished And dark - ness is ban - ished,
Till all things now liv - ing U - nite in thanks - giv - ing,



As for - ward we trav - el from light in - to Light.
To God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise.

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