



Celtic Evensong

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

31 July 2022 4:00 pm

We are so happy you are here.

*We come from many places to be together for a little while.
Each of us brings our own experience and traditions to this gathering.
So here in this place, let us take time together to encounter the holy.*

Please remember to silence all devices

The Opening Rite

Opening Musical Meditation

Welcome and Announcements

The Opening Meditation

Glory be to you, O God,
for the gift of life
unfolding through those who have gone before me.
Glory be to you, O God,
for your life planted within my soul
and in every soul coming into the world.
Glory be to you, O God,
for the grace of new beginnings
placed before me in every moment and encounter of life.
Glory, glory, glory
for the grace of new beginnings in every moment of life.

J. Philip Newell

The Invitatory and Psalm

Officiant Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth,
People **from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

Psalm 107:1–9, 43

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, *
and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim *
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; *
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.
- 4 Some wandered in desert wastes; *
they found no way to a city where they might dwell.

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- 5 They were hungry and thirsty; *
their spirits languished within them.
- 6 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, *
and he delivered them from their distress.
- 7 He put their feet on a straight path *
to go to a city where they might dwell.
- 8 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy *
and the wonders he does for his children.
- 9 For he satisfies the thirsty *
and fills the hungry with good things.
- 43 Whoever is wise will ponder these things, *
and consider well the mercies of the Lord.

The Lessons

Listen now to the Word of God.

The First Reading

Hosea 11:1–11

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. They shall go after the Lord, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the Lord.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Musical Response

The Second Reading

Luke 12:13–21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being 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."

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Reflection

Jane Stewart

Music for Meditation

Lord's Prayer

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 thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Evening Prayer

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayers for Ourselves and Others

Leader God of love, hear the cry of those who yearn for love: fractured families, broken homes, neglected, unwanted, alone. God of love,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader God of justice, hear the cry of those who yearn for justice: persecuted and oppressed, exploited, ill-treated, broken. God of justice,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader God of peace, hear the cry of those who yearn for peace: in battle zones and broken states, frightened, fearful, anxious. God of peace,

People **hear our prayer.**

Leader God of healing, hear the cry of those who yearn for healing: physical and spiritual, hurting, weakened, depressed. God of healing,

People **hear our prayer.**

Here, the people may add particular intercessions or thanksgivings.

Leader You are our shelter, O Lord, a light upon our path, a presence in our darkness, a companion on our travels, there at the journey's end. Hear our prayers and may your mercy be upon us.

People **Amen.**

Leader Jesus says, "Come to me you who are troubled and I will give you rest." So come, you who are broken in body or in spirit, you who are torn by relationships and doubt, you who feel deeply within yourselves the divisions of the world. Come, for Jesus invites us to bring our brokenness. From now until the end of the service, you are invited to come to the Lady Altar and light a candle and kneel at the rail for prayers. Please move about as the Spirit leads you.

Music during Prayers

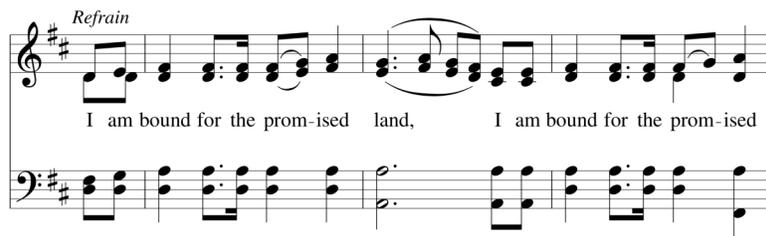
Hymn during Prayers



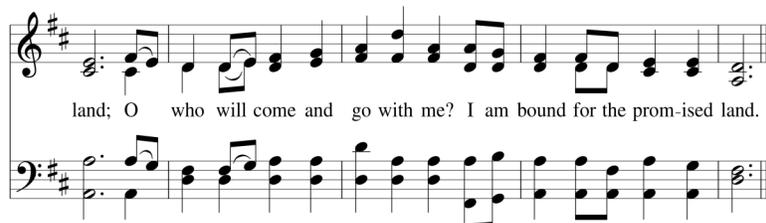
1 On Jor-dan's storm-y banks I stand, and cast a wish-ful eye
2 O'er all those wide ex-tend-ed plains shines one e-ter-nal day;
3 When shall I reach that hap-py place and be for-ev-er blest?
4 Filled with de-light, my rap-tured soul would here no long-er stay;



to Ca-naan's fair and hap-py land, where my pos-ses-sions lie.
there God the Son for-ev-er reigns and scat-ters night a-way.
When shall I see my Fa-ther's face and in his bos-om rest?
though Jor-dan's waves a-round me roll, fear-less I'd launch a-way.



Refrain
I am bound for the prom-ised land, I am bound for the prom-ised



land; O who will come and go with me? I am bound for the prom-ised land.

Concluding Prayer

God our Deliverer, by water and the Holy Spirit we have been buried with Christ and raised to the new life of grace: Give us inquiring and discerning hearts, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Blessing

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon us and scatter the darkness from before our path; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Officiant The Lord almighty grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Concluding Musical Meditation

Worship Leaders

Ryan Patten	<i>Officiant, Musician</i>
Jane Stewart	<i>Reflection, Usher</i>
Paul Massari	<i>Lector, Prayers</i>