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The Order of Service for Holy Eucharist



"Be merciful, just as your Fatherlis merciful."

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday 10th July 2022 • 8.45 am

Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

Reflections on Luke 6. 36 - 42

"Do not judge others, and God will not judge you."

Is that even possible? What on earth does Jesus mean by saying this? And when we think about that statement in the context of the rest of the Bible, we see that there's an awful lot of judgement going on! We read about the Final Judgement. There's even a book in the Old Testament called 'The Book of Judges'!

Just before Jesus makes this statement, he says something else: "Be merciful just as your Father is merciful." The first principle of judging is mercy. God is correct in his judgement that we stand guilty before him. And yet, he responds with mercy and forgives us: there can be no mercy without judgement. There can be judgement without mercy but there can be no mercy without judgement. Showing mercy towards others has to start with a deep awareness that God has been merciful towards us.

So perhaps when Jesus says, "Do not judge others, and God will not judge you", what he is really saying is this: it is not that we are not to judge at all: that is impossible. But that we are not to judge incorrectly.

We are to judge mercifully.

We are to judge and forgive.

Without judgement, there can be no mercy.

So how do we judge correctly?

If we are hypocritical, thinking that we are better than others, then we fail to mirror the love of God. If we don't give people the benefit of the doubt, then we fail to mirror the love of God. Judging is part of life. Let's do so with hearts full of forgiveness and mercy. And by so doing, we will reflect the loving heart of God in our relationships with others.

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Order of Service

The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.

The Gathering

Voluntary

Prelude and Fugue

Camille Saint-Saëns, Op. 109 No. 2 (1835 - 1921)

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Welcome

Introit Sung by the choir

God loved the world of sinners lost And ruined by the Fall; Salvation full, at highest cost, He offers free to all.

Oh, it was love! The love of God to me! It brought my Saviour from above, To die on Calvary.

Words: Martha Stockton (1821 - 1885) Music: William G. Fisher (1835 - 1912)

All **STAND**

Call to Worship

Led by the Presbyter from the West Door

PresbyterTeach us Your ways, O Lord,
that we may walk in Your truth;Allgive us undivided hearts
to revere Your name.
Love your enemies,
and do good to those who hate you.
We have come to follow Jesus.

Continued

Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. We have come to follow Jesus. For Your love is great towards us. You are merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

All join in singing the hymn.

Hymn at the Procession

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not; as Thou hast been Thou forever will be.

- Refrain Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!
- ² Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.
- ³ Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Words: Thomas O. Chisholm (1866 - 1960)

Tune: FAITHFULNESS William M. Runyan (1870 - 1957)

Follow the readings and the Order of Service for the Lord's Supper in **The Book of Common Prayer** (refer page numbers). The hymns can be found in **Hymns Ancient & Modern New Standard**.

All say together

The Collect for Purity | page 350

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the day | page 526

Read by the Presbyter

The Lesson | page 526

Genesis 3. 17-19

A reading from the Book of Genesis

At the conclusion of the reading: This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm

119.25 - 32 Sung by the choir to a chant by Hindle

Adhaesit pavimento

- MY soul cleaveth to the dust : O quicken thou me, according to thy word.
- ²⁶ I have acknowledged my ways, and thou heardest me : O teach me thy statutes.
- ²⁷ Make me to understand the way of thy commandments : and so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.
- ²⁸ My soul melteth away for very heaviness : comfort thou me according unto thy word.
- ²⁹ Take from me the way of lying : and cause thou me to make much of thy law.
- ³⁰ I have chosen the way of truth : and thy judgements have I laid before me.
- ³¹ I have stuck unto thy testimonies : O Lord, confound me not.
- ³² I will run the way of thy commandments : when thou hast set my heart at liberty.
- All STAND Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: World without end. Amen.

Please be seated

The Epistle | page 526

Romans 8. 18 - 23

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

At the conclusion of the reading: This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

All **STAND** and join in singing

Gradual Hymn | # 362

'Forgive our sins as we forgive'

Tune: MARTYRDOM # 226

The Gospel of Christ | page 527

Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.

Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.**

GospellerThe Lord be with you.AllAnd also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke 6. 36 - 42 Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel:

The Gospeller	This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
All	Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Remain STANDING, all reciting the Creed

The Nicene Creed | Page 354

Please be **SEATED**

Sermon The Revd Avinash Rangayya

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All **STAND**

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace.

Celebrant God has reconciled us to Himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation. The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

While remaining in your place, share the sign of peace with a namaste with your neighbour.

Preparation of the Table

At this time an offering will be received for the ministries of the Cathedral. Thank you for your generosity.

All join in singing

Hymn at the Offertory | # 131

Love divine, all loves excelling

Tune: BEECHER

Offertory Prayer | page 357

Please be seated

All sing

All say

Invocation

Speak, O blessèd Master, in this quiet hour; let me see Thy face, Lord, feel Thy touch of power.

Words: Emily Crawford (1864 - 1927)

Tune: QUIETUDE Harold Green (1871 - 1931)

Almighty and Everlasting God, Intercessor you promised through your Son Jesus Christ, to hear us when we pray in faith and so we bring our prayers and concerns to you now: for the Church, the world and ourselves. Father of all, we pray for the peace of your Church across the world, for our brothers and sisters in Christ who face the instability of persecution and religious oppression. We pray that they will one day enjoy the freedom we enjoy, to worship and praise you week by week. Give them the hope and strength they need to keep them firm in their faith. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer. All Heavenly Father, hear our prayer for all your faithful people in their vocation and ministry. May they serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name. Pray for all Church leaders especially, Prem Chand the Moderator of the Church of North India, Dharmaraj the Moderator of the Church of South India, Theodosius Mar Thoma the Metropolitan of the Mar Thoma Church, Prakash our Bishop and Avinash our Presbyter. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer. We thank you for the gifts you have given us both individually and collectively, praying that we will show love, by going the extra mile for those in need in our community. Help us to see others as you see them, so that your love and Kingdom can be revealed. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer God of Compassion, we pray for all who are weighed down by the complexities of war, oppression and violence, for those who live and die in poverty and hunger

and those affected by extreme weather conditions.

Guide the peacemakers and the decision makers, that they

may make wise choices in accordance with your will. We ask that your voice of calm and healing may be heard above all the suffering. Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of Mercy,

we pray for those who are troubled by worries about employment, who struggle to put food on the table and those who have no permanent place to call home. Raise up people of vision to drive forward creative and new ways to offer practical and loving support.

Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of Healing,

we bring before you all those who are suffering in body, mind or spirit. We pray for all senior citizens in our congregation and those who are unwell.

Give strength to those who you have blessed

with the gift of healing and in a moment of silence,

we bring before you now, those on our hearts who are suffering at this time. Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Holy God,

we pray that you will be especially close to those who are nearing death and we give thanks that those who are now at rest in you, have found new peace and new life.

We pray for God's comforting presence with the bereaved family of Mr. P. V. George. In their time of grieving may they be aware of your constant loving presence.

Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus you taught us to be merciful just as our heavenly Father is merciful.

Enable us in thought, word and deed to obey your words and so further your Kingdom here on earth.

Merciful Father

accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen. The Preparation for Communion | page 361

The Consecration | page 363

The Communion | page 368

While seated, we sing

Hymn at the Communion

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love; Where there is injury, your pardon Lord; And where there is doubt, true faith in You:

O, Master, grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console; To be understood as to understand; To be loved, as to love with all my soul.

² Make me a channel of your peace.
 Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
 Where there is darkness, only light;
 And where there's sadness ever joy:

 ³ Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, In giving to all men that we receive, And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Words: St Francsis of Assisi (1182 - 1226)

All **STAND** and sing

Tune: CHANNEL OF PEACE Sebastian Temple (1928 - 1997)

The Thanksgiving | page 371

Gloria in Excelsis | page 371

The Blessing

The PresbyterHear the teaching of Jesus:
"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."
Go now to do God's will;
† And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

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Hymn at the Closing |#458

Forth in the peace of Christ we go

Tune: DUKE STREET

Dismissal From the West Door the Presbyter says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

Trumpet voluntary

John Stanley (1712 - 1786)

Birthday this week

So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.

Psalm 90. 12

Jai Knox (10)

Wedding Anniversary

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Sandeep & Archana Magar (10)

Notices

- The newly elected office bearers of the Cathedral's Women's Fellowship for Christian Service (WFCS) are: Mrs. Jaisy Desai (*President*), Revd Arpana Rangayya (*Vice President*), Mrs. Nalina Sathia Raj (*Secretary*) and Mrs. Violet Truman (*Treasurer*). The draft voters' list, is displayed on the notice board.
- The Diocese will observe Sunday School Sunday on 31st July 2022.
- Taking flowers from the Sanctuary after the service for parishioners who are house-bound is a beautiful gesture. Please approach the Presbyter if you are considering paying a visit to someone who has been unable to attend church.
- Remember to take your copy of this service bulletin home with you.

Reflections are drawn from sermon notes by the Revd Dr Steve Griffiths, St Andrew's Church, London. Intercessory prayers are by Cathy Crook https://standrewholycross.org

All join in singing

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Pray with us

† **THE WORLD** All world leaders especially those who face danger as they fulfill their duties and responsibilities. We pray with the people of Japan as they mourn the death of their former Prime Minister Shinzo Abe. • Pray for economic improvement and for resilience for the Sri Lankan people. The shortages of fuel, food items and essential medicines, and daily power outages in addition to the resultant snowballing rate of inflation have made daily living a challenge to a large segment of the population of Sri Lanka. • It has now been over four months since Russia invaded Ukraine. Psalm 46 opens with a confident statement of faith: *God is our refuge and strength, an everpresent help in trouble.* This is a much-needed reminder in times like these of the sovereignty and power of God and of His presence with us that calls us to trust in Him. • Tomorrow is *World Population Day.* Let us join our hands, protect. and participate in God's creation praying for population related issues.

† **OUR COUNTRY** Cloud bursts and flash floods have led to loss of lives and livelihood. Pray for families who have lost their loved ones and for rescue operations.

† OUR CITY & STATE We continue to pray for the newly formed State government; for compassionate and inclusive governance.

[†] **THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** Almighty God we give thanks for Silas, Companion of Paul (commemorated on 13th July.) Pray that evangelists in this and other lands will proclaim the unsearchable riches of our Saviour Jesus Christ. • In the Anglican Communion, the Church of the Province of Uganda and the Most Revd Stephen Kaziimba.

† THE CHURCH IN INDIA The Diocese of Chandigarh and the Rt Revd Denzel Peoples.
The Diocese of North Karnataka and the Rt Revd Ravikumar Niranjan.
† THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY May the Holy Spirit guide all those entrusted with decision-making. Pray for synodical and diocesan representatives. This week we pray for St Paul's Church (Marathi pastorate), Matunga & the Revd Alfred Tiwade. Pray for the Sunday School ministry in the various churches in the Diocese.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** Pray for God's comforting presence with the bereaved family of Mr. P.V. George. May his mother's soul rest in peace and may light perpetual shine upon her. • Pray for the newly elected office bearers of the WFCS.

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