Welcome to “Voices of Grace”,
our virtual worship experience that features parishioners
leading worship from their own homes.
We hope you join us from yours!
Wherever you are, we pray for your health and
well-being. God bless you!

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AUGUST 23, 2020 ~ THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
VOICES OF GRACE “VIRTUAL” WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY
Voluntary in D

William Croft (1678-1727)

HYMN 410

Unison or harmony

1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring;
2 Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress;
3 Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
4 Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face;

ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, ever more his praises sing;
praise him still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
in his hand he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.

sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.
PSALM 138  

Said by all

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; * before the gods I will sing your praise.

I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, * because of your love and faithfulness;

For you have glorified your Name * and your word above all things.

When I called, you answered me; * you increased my strength within me.

All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, * when they have heard the words of your mouth.

They will sing of the ways of the LORD, * that great is the glory of the LORD.

Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; * he perceives the haughty from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; * you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;

your right hand shall save me.

The LORD will make good his purpose for me; * O LORD, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.


THE LESSON  

Matthew 16:13-20  

Read by William Galligan

WHEN Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and
blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Word of the Lord.

People    Thanks be to God.

THE HOMILY

The Rector

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Frank Ward

ANTHEM

I will worship, toward thy holy temple and praise thy name
for thy loving kindness and truth.
All the kings of the earth shall praise thee,
they shall sing in the ways of the Lord,
that great is the glory of the Lord.
For though the Lord is high yet hath he respect unto the lowly;
though I walk in the midst of trouble,
yet thou shalt refresh me and thy right hand shall hold me.

Briella Weimer & Annabel Weimer, Trebles

Words: Psalm 138: 2, 4-7
Music: Sir George Dyson (1883-1964)

THE BLESSING

The Rector

~ PRAYER LIST ~

This week, we pray for: Dorothy, Theo, Mel, Joseph, David, and Robert Cramer, all those caring for the sick, those seeking treatments and vaccines for the virus, and all those whose work places them in harm’s way. We also pray for those members of our church who are homebound.

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