

YOU WILL RECEIVE POWER WHEN THE
HOLY SPIRIT HAS COME UPON YOU;



AND YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES
... TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

*A Service of Readings and Prayer
in the Season of Pentecost*

St. Hugh of Lincoln Episcopal Church
Idyllwild, California

*"All guests who present themselves
are to be welcomed as Christ himself."*

St. Benedict (480 – 547)

Our doors and our hearts are open for everyone and to everyone. You are welcome here. We seek to welcome each person who comes our way as we would welcome Jesus; for God is quite creative: coming to us in persons and ways we can barely imagine. Our hearts and arms are ready to receive you, it is our calling and we seek to be faithful to our calling.

The kinds of folks you'll find here ...

Our faith community is an eclectic mix of people with differing backgrounds and perspectives, united together in a common love of God and neighbor. Chances are, there's someone like you at St. Hugh's.

We are "young in the faith," just beginning to ask questions; "teens in the faith," just now piecing together who we are and what it means to follow Jesus; "maturing in the faith," asking our questions, exploring our gifts and serving others in the name of God, and "mature in the faith," reflecting on what we have been and what we have done as we look back on our lives in our winter season of grace.

People of all backgrounds, abilities, and beliefs are part of the St. Hugh's family. You'll find a wonderful mix of brothers and sisters in the faith at St. Hugh's, your "mountain home."

All persons who enter are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion at St. Hugh's, not just Episcopalians.

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Order of Service

September 6, 2020

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Proper 18A

The people's responses are indicated with bold type.

Centering Time

Put your burdens and baggage down, let go of your worries.
Pause, rest, and lift heart and mind to God

A Penitential Order

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Glory to God for ever and ever.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." Mark 12:29-31

Invitation to a brief examination of conscience

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen. ~BCP 351-352

Collect of the Day

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** ~BCP 233

Readings

With heart and mind and soul, we attend to God's Holy Word.

First Reading

In our first lesson the prophet Ezekiel is like a watchman: it is his responsibility to warn the wicked, but it is the individual's responsibility to stop sinning.

A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel

Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

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

Psalm 119:33-40 BCP 766

Our Psalm Response asks for the Lord's guidance and promises to keep God's commandments always.

- 33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.
- 34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
I shall keep it with all my heart.
- 35 Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for that is my desire.
- 36 Incline my heart to your decrees *
and not to unjust gain.
- 37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *
give me life in your ways.
- 38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, *
which you make to those who fear you.
- 39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, *
because your judgments are good.
- 40 Behold, I long for your commandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my life.

Second Reading

In this reading Paul summarizes the heart of the law and urges a way of life in full awareness of the nearness of salvation

A Reading from the Letter to the Romans

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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“WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL” #581

The Gospel

Our gospel presents teaching about how to deal with sin and grievances within the Christian community

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Christ.

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said, “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

The Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ;

Praise to you, O Christ.

Homily

Love: the fulfilling of the law | The Rev. Daniel Rondeau

Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Susan, our Bishop, and Daniel, our Priest, that may they have hearts to love and hands to serve and be faithful in their ministries.

O Lord, guard and direct your Church in the way of unity, service, and praise.

Give to all nations an awareness of the unity of the human family.

Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and selfishness, and inspire us to hunger and thirst for what is right and good.

We pray for such moderate amounts of rain and showers that our forest home may be refreshed and renewed.

In this time of pandemic we fervently pray that you may heal those who are sick with the coronavirus: please help us provide adequate care and bless the sick with your healing grace;

For healthcare workers: Grant them courage and protection as they put the needs of public safety before their own;

Bless scientists and researchers around the world that their work on this virus may yield knowledge to develop a vaccine, treatments, and improved measures to reduce its spread.

Strengthen all who give their energy or skill for the healing of those who are sick in body mind, or spirit.

In the midst of natural disasters we pray for all who are hurt or harmed or displaced: be with them in their distress and need and grant them your strength and peace;

We pray for all first responders and volunteers coming to the aid of neighbors in need: grant them strength and courage and an abiding sense of your presence in every circumstance.

Set free all who are bound by fear and despair.

We remember those who have died in the midst of natural disasters, we remember those who have died as a result of human violence, and we remember those who have died from the coronavirus;

We also remember those who mourn their loss and celebrate their lives.

Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to all who are dying, and your comfort to those who mourn.

CANADIAN BOOK OF ALTERNATE SERVICES, 112 (ADAPTED)

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Blessing and Dismissal

The Love of Jesus, bless you.

The power of Jesus empower your ministry.

The joy of Jesus, be your profound joy.

The blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
be yours, this day and all your days.

Amen.

“I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT” #490

Sisters and brothers, Rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit,
let us go into the world to share, by word and example,
the Good News of God in Christm;

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Today’s Readers and Intercessor

Introductions.....	Someone
First Reading	Alex McCleary
Psalm Response	Neil Pasage
Second Reading	Diana Kurr
Gospel Reading	The Rev. Daniel Rondeau
Homily.....	The Rev. Daniel Rondeau
Intercessor	Terry Kurr
Music.....	Ed Hansen

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Resources

Model (adapted) for the Order of Service: [The Scottish Episcopal Church](#)

We have modeled our words and order of service after the Scottish Episcopal Church (a member of the Worldwide Anglican Communion, as is The Episcopal Church). The format of their service lends itself well to this online/video format. Please visit [The Scottish Episcopal Church on YouTube](#).

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP): [Online Version](#) (View or download the PDF File)

This service is posted on **YouTube** by
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WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL

HYMN 581 IN HYMNAL 1982

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains five verses of lyrics, and the second system contains five verses. The melody is primarily in the soprano part, with accompaniment in the other parts. The piece concludes with a final cadence in the bass part.

1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail there God is ev - er found;
 2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear his char - i - ty we learn;
 3 For - give we now each o - ther's faults as we our faults con - fess;
 4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known, let all con - ten - tion cease;
 5 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells God's be - got - ten Son;

1 brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love by love are we thus bound.
 2 let us with heart and mind and strength now love him in re - turn.
 3 and let us love each o - ther well in Chris-tian ho - li - ness.
 4 be his the glo - ry that we seek, be ours his ho - ly peace.
 5 as mem-bers of his Bo - dy joined we are in him made one.

6 Love can exclude no race or creed
 if honored be God's Name;
 our common life embraces all
 whose Father is the same.

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I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT

HYMN 490 IN WORSHIP AND REJOICE

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
 3 I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ.

I want to fol-low Je-sus.
 I want to look at Je-sus.
 I want to be with Je-sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Clear sun of right-eous-ness, shine on my path, and
 When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

star of my life is Je-sus.
 show me the way to the Fa-ther.
 shall know the joy of Je-sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark-ness at all. The
 night and the day are both a-like. The
 Lamb is the light of the ci-ty of God.

a tempo

Shine in my heart, Lord Je-sus.

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Pray Always

A Prayer for Mission from Evening Prayer

O God, you manifest in your servants the signs of your presence: Send forth upon us the Spirit of love, that in companionship with one another your abounding grace may increase among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. BCP 125

For those we love

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. BCP 831

For those we love but see no longer

Father of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer: Grant them your peace; let light perpetual shine upon them; and, in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. BCP 504

For healing

May God the Father bless you, God the Son heal you, God the Holy Spirit give you strength. May God the holy and undivided Trinity guard your body, save your soul, and bring you safely to that heavenly country where peace and harmony reign for ever and ever. Amen. BCP 460

For a Birthday

Watch over your child, O Lord, as her days increase; bless and guide her wherever she may be. Strengthen her when she stands; comfort her when discouraged or sorrowful; raise her up if she falls; and in her heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. BCP 830

For the Conservation of Natural Resources

Almighty God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. BCP 827

For the Good Use of Leisure

O God, in the course of this busy life, give us times of refreshment and peace; and grant that we may so use our leisure to rebuild our bodies and renew our minds, that our spirits may be opened to the goodness of your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. BCP 825

For the Mission of the Church

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen. BCP 101

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace. Amen.

Our church, St. Hugh of Lincoln Episcopal Church, is a member of The Episcopal Church which is a branch of the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church founded by Jesus Christ with his Apostles.

It is part of a worldwide fellowship called the Anglican Communion, with its roots in the Church of England.

It is a universal or catholic church, continuing in the teaching, fellowship, sacramental worship and prayers according to the apostolic tradition.

It is a church of the Protestant Reformation, its members being encouraged to “read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest” the “live word of the living God” in Holy Scripture.

It is an evangelical church, proclaiming Christ crucified and risen and inviting others to form a personal relationship with the Risen One.

It is a compassionate church, bringing the grace and hope of the Gospel to every area of life.

As members of the Episcopal Church, we are all ministers of the Gospel, representing Christ to our world, bearing witness to God’s Love, inviting others to trust in this Love and according to the gifts given us, carrying out God’s work of reconciliation.

In 1984 all churches in the Anglican Communion agreed to explore and act upon “Five Marks of Mission”:

- To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
- To teach, baptise and nurture new believers
- To respond to human need by loving service
- To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation
- To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

The work of our Mission Congregation in service to Idyllwild and the Mountain Communities is made possible entirely through your financial support. It is through your generosity that St. Hugh’s can fully live into its mission of enabling all to discover for themselves the significance of Jesus Christ.

We invite you to support the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ through the people of St. Hugh’s. You may go to our [website donation page](#) to make an online donation. You may also mail a check to St. Hugh’s Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 506, Idyllwild, CA 92659. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Please know that your participation with us today has been a blessing.

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