

The 8th Sunday after Trinity
Beware of False Prophets
02 August 2020
11:00 am

"Beware of false prophets,
who come to you in sheep's
clothing, but inwardly they
are ravening wolves."
(Matthew 7:15 KJV)



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WELCOME

To know and serve Christ by reaching out in love to all.

Please wear a mask during this service and while you are in the building.

This service has been modeled after Morning Prayer (Matins) and does not include congregational singing. All singing will be done by Pastor and a secluded choir member.

Our financial gifts are offered as a response to what God has given us, and as a reminder that we are caretakers of the world he created. Our members support this church. Visitors are not expected to give an offering. Offerings will be collected in the plates as you exit the nave.

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Due to necessary restrictions on congregational singing, Pastor and a choir member will sing the congregation's parts throughout the service.

Prelude

Plein Jeu

Louis-Nicolas Clerambault

Invocation



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



R and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

Psalm 51:15



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



R make haste to help me, O Lord.

Psalm 70:1



R Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



Common: Praise to You. O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Confession

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Do you have any faults, failings, offenses, misdeeds, errors, lapses, crimes, or sins that weigh on your conscience?

C: I do.

P: Do you desire to do better?

C: I do.

P: Do you desire forgiveness?

C: I do.

P: As a called and ordained servant of Jesus, I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Antiphon

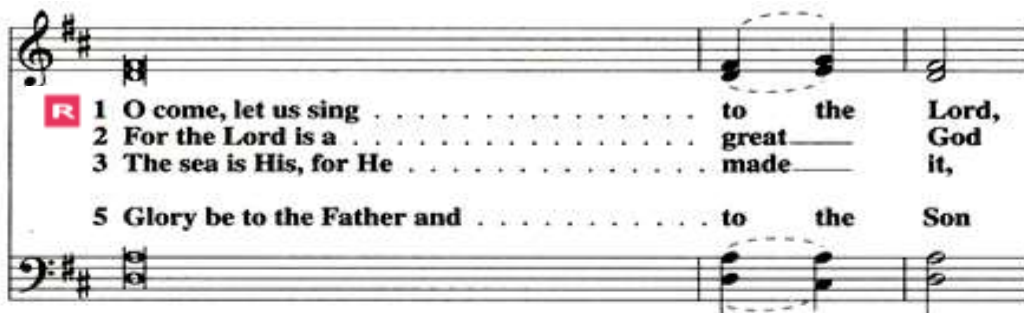


L Blessed be God, the Fa-ther, the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir-it.

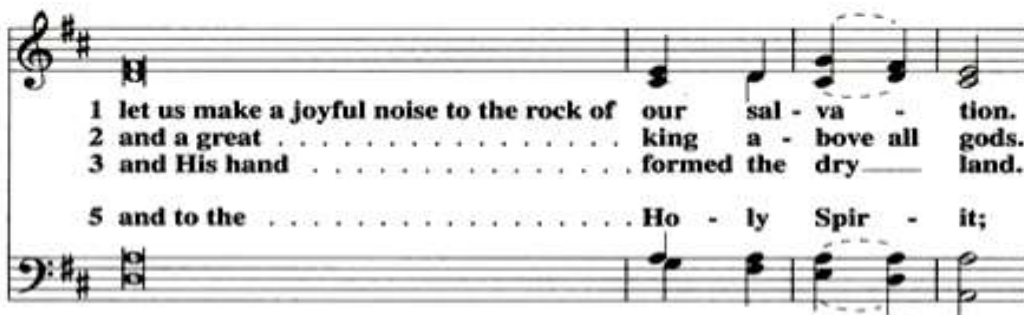


R O come, let us wor-ship Him.

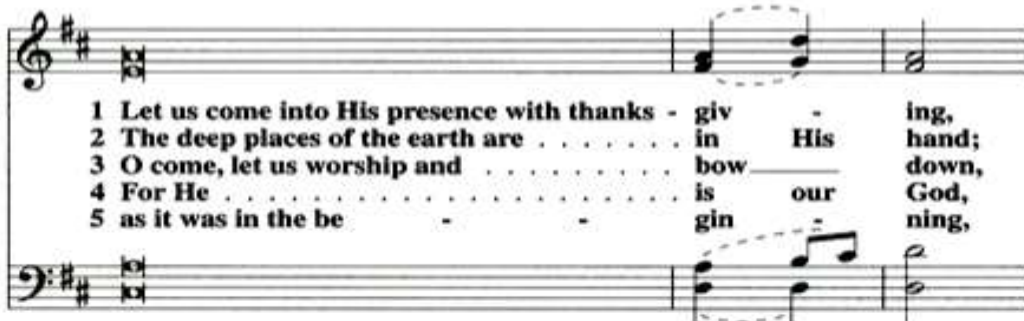
Venite (*Psalm 95:1-7*)



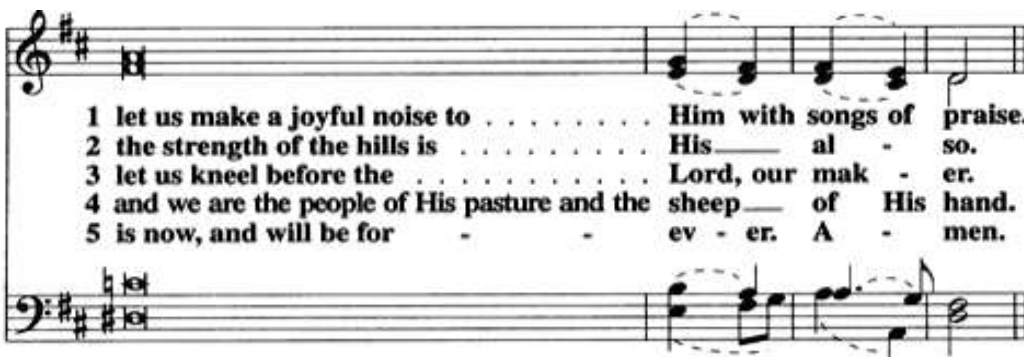
R 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
 2 For the Lord is a great God
 3 The sea is His, for He made it,
 5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
 2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
 3 and His hand formed the dry land.
 5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
 2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
 3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
 4 For He is our God,
 5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
 2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.
 3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
 5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Antiphon



L Blessed be God, the Fa-ther, the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir-it.



R O come, let us wor-ship Him.

Psalmody (*Psalm 48:1a, 3, 11, 14; antiphon: Psalm 48:9-10*)

**R: We have thought on your stead/ fast love, O God,*
in the midst / of your temple.**

**As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends / of the earth.*
Your right hand is filled with / righteousness.**

P: Great is the LORD and greatly / to be praised*
in the city of our God, His / holy mountain.
Within her / citadels*

God has made himself known / as a fortress.
Let Mount Zi- / on be glad!*

Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because / of your judgments!
This is God, our God for- / ever and ever.*
He will guide / us forever.

**R: Glory be to the Father and / to the Son*
and to the / Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. / Amen.**

**We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,*
in the midst / of your temple.**

**As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends / of the earth.*
Your right hand is filled with / righteousness.**

Greeting and Collect

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: We pray: Lord, grant to us the Spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without You, may be enabled by You to live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Hebrew Scriptures (*Jeremiah 23:16-29*)

A: A reading from Jeremiah:

¹⁶ Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. ¹⁷ They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you.'"

¹⁸ For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD
to see and to hear his word,
or who has paid attention to his word and listened?

¹⁹ Behold, the storm of the LORD!
Wrath has gone forth,
a whirling tempest-
it will burst upon the head of the wicked.

²⁰ The anger of the LORD will not turn back
until he has executed and accomplished
the intentions of his heart.
In the latter days you will understand it clearly.

²¹ "I did not send the prophets, yet they ran;
I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied.

²²But if they had stood in my council,
then they would have proclaimed my words to my people,
and they would have turned them from their evil way,
and from the evil of their deeds.

²³“Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God far away?

²⁴Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him?

declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD.

²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, ‘I have dreamed, I have dreamed!’ ²⁶How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, ²⁷who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual (*Psalm 31:2b, 1a*)

R: Be a rock of ref- / uge for me,*

a strong fortress to / save me!

In you, O LORD, do / I take refuge;*

let me never be / put to shame.



The Christian Scriptures (Acts 20:27-38)

A: A reading from the Book of Acts:

²⁷ for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God.

²⁸ Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹ I know that after my

departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰ and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹ Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. ³² And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³ I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴ You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵ In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

³⁶ And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all. ³⁷ And there was much weeping on the part of all; they embraced Paul and kissed him, ³⁸ being sorrowful most of all because of the word he had spoken, that they would not see his face again. And they accompanied him to the ship.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



↑ **Verse** (*Psalm 78:1*)



R: Give ear, O my people, / to my teaching;*
incline your ears to the words / of my mouth!



The Holy Gospel (*Matthew 7:15-23*)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew:

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵ "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. ¹⁶ You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorn bushes, or figs from thistles? ¹⁷ So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. ¹⁸ A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. ¹⁹ Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰ Thus you will recognize them by their fruits.

²¹ "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. ²² On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' ²³ And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Responsory (*Psalm 11(:89; 26:8; Luke 11:28)*)

V 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.

R Lord, I love
the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

The Nicene Creed

**C: We believe in one God,
the Father, Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scrip-
tures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead**

↓ Sermon
Te Deum

Pastor Dan Skillman

R 1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
3 The noble army of martyrs praise — You.

1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.
2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.
3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:

1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.
2 The glorious company of the apostles praise — You.
3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;
4 You are the king of glory, O — Christ;

1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:
2 The goodly fellowship of the proph-ets praise — You.
3 also the Holy Ghost, the Com-fort - er.
4 You are the everlasting Son of the Fa - ther. ▶

5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,
6 You sit at the right hand of God

5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.

5 When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
6 We believe that You will come

5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
6 to be our judge.

7 We therefore pray You to help Your ser - vants,
 8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.
 9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.

7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.
 8 Govern them and lift them up for - ev - er.
 9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.

7 Make them to be numbered with Your saints
 8 Day by day we magni - fy You.
 9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.

7 in glory ev - er - last - ing.
 8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.
 9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.

Prayers of the People

A: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

P: We pray.

C: 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,

forever and ever.

Amen.

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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

C: Amen.

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

***Oh Lord We Praise Thee* Heinrich Scheidemann**

Please, follow the directions of the ushers to exit.

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