



Denham Parish Church

Evening Prayer

Wednesday, 23rd June 2021, 6.00 pm

To join us on Zoom:

Meeting ID: 898 4998 8454, Passcode: 189187176 or use this link:

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WELCOME

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Blessed are you, Lord God, creator of day and night:
to you be praise and glory for ever.

As darkness falls you renew your promise
to reveal among us the light of your presence.

By the light of Christ, your living Word,
dispel the darkness of our hearts

that we may walk as children of light

and sing your praise throughout the world.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All: Blessed be God for ever.

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful,
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,
so may your mercy come down upon us
to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your praise
now and for ever.

Amen.

From Psalm 18

1 I love you, O Lord my strength. ♦

The Lord is my crag, my fortress and my deliverer.

*2 In my distress I called upon the Lord ♦
and cried out to my God for help.*

*3 He heard my voice in his temple ♦
and my cry came to his ears.*

*4 He parted the heavens and came down ♦
and thick darkness was under his feet.*

*5 He rode upon the cherubim and flew; ♦
he came flying on the wings of the wind.*

*6 He made darkness his covering round about him, ♦
dark waters and thick clouds his pavilion.*

*7 From the brightness of his presence, through the clouds ♦
burst hailstones and coals of fire.*

*8 The Lord also thundered out of heaven; ♦
the Most High uttered his voice
with hailstones and coals of fire.*

*9 For you will save a lowly people ♦
and bring down the high looks of the proud.*

*10 You also shall light my candle; ♦
the Lord my God shall make my darkness to be bright.*

*11 As for God, his way is perfect;
the word of the Lord is tried in the fire; ♦
he is a shield to all who trust in him.*

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

BIBLE READING

Luke 16.1-13

Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

'Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

Intercessions are offered

¶ for peace

¶ for individuals and their needs

¶ The social services

¶ All who work in the criminal justice system

¶ Victims and perpetrators of crime

¶ The work of aid agencies throughout the world

¶ Those living in poverty or under oppression

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours

now and for ever.

Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.