

**Sunday Worship for 20 June 2021**  
**The Third Sunday after Trinity**  
**Led by Church Mission Society**

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

*Cathy Ross and Jonny Baker*

**OPENING SENTENCE**

Then Jesus said 'let's go to the other side of the lake.'

**GREETING**

Welcome, thank you for joining us today  
God is here,  
God's Spirit is with us,  
God is with you wherever you are.

**GOSPEL READING**

*Read by Luke Harrison*

Mark 4:35-41

That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side of the lake." Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?" He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?" They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

This is the word of the Lord.

**SONG**

Calm Me O Lord

Calm me O Lord as you stilled the storm,  
Still me O Lord keep me from harm,  
Let all the tumult within me cease,  
Enfold me Lord in your peace.

*By Jonny Baker and Jon Birch*

**REFLECTION**

*Given by Emma Major, CMS Lay Pioneer*

## PRAYER

*Led by Jonny Baker*

As you breathe in we say: **Let all the tumult within me cease.**

As you breathe out we say: **Enfold me Lord in your peace.**

**All Amen.**

## SERMON

What is the other side of the lake for you where you are?

*Cathy Ross and Jonny Baker*

## REFLECTION

'The other side of the lake'

*Reflections given by:*

*Ann-Marie Wilson (CMS mission partner and licensed lay pioneer Edmonton)*

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*David Harrigan (OPM Chelmsford)*

*Emily Sharman (OPM Leicester)*

*Anna Hembury (CMS mission partner Hull)*

*Idina Dunmore (OPM Willesden)*

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Led by members of The Stowe*

Let us declare our faith  
in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**All Christ died for our sins  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he was buried;  
he was raised to life on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
afterwards he appeared to his followers,  
and to all the apostles:  
this we have received,  
and this we believe.  
Amen.**

## SONG

Be thou my Vision

*Sung by Gav Mart*

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart  
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art  
Thou my best thought in the day and the night  
Both waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord  
Thou my great Father, and I thy true son  
Thou in me dwelling and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;  
Be thou my armour, and be thou my might;  
Thou my soul's shelter, and thy by thou tow'r,  
O raise thou me heav'nward, O pow'r great pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise  
Be mine inheritance, through all my days  
Thou and thou only thou first in my heart  
O High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

O High King of heaven, when battle is done  
Grant heaven's joys to be bright heaven's sun  
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall  
Still be thou my vision, O ruler of all.

*Words: Mary E. Byrne; Versifier: Eleanor H. Hull  
Tune: Slane*

## PSALM

*Read by Ali Boulton, CMS Lecturer*

Psalm 9:9-20

- 9 The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed,  
a stronghold in times of trouble.
- 10 Those who know your name trust in you,  
for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you.
- 11 Sing the praises of the Lord, enthroned in Zion;  
proclaim upon the nations what he has done.
- 12 For he who avenges blood remembers;  
he does not ignore the cries of the afflicted.

13 Lord, see how my enemies persecute me!  
Have mercy and lift me up from the gates of death,  
14 that I may declare your praises  
in the gates of Daughter Zion,  
and there rejoice in your salvation.

15 The nations have fallen into the pit they have dug;  
their feet are caught in the net that they have hidden.

16 The Lord is known by his acts of justice;  
the wicked are ensnared by the work of their hands.

17 The wicked go down to the realm of the dead,  
all the nations that forget God.

18 But God will never forget the needy;  
the hope of the afflicted will never perish.

19 Arise, Lord, do not let mortals triumph;  
let the nations be judged in your presence.

20 Strike them with terror, Lord;  
let the nations know they are only mortal.

### INTERCESSIONAL PRAYERS

*Led by Lesley McCririe, Rev Becca Gilbert, Neil and Rich, part of the Northern Mission Centre team in Cumbria*

Response:

**All** Still our storms and let us know your peace.

### PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

God be gracious to us and bless us,  
and make your face shine upon us:  
Lord, have mercy.

**All** Lord, have mercy.

May your ways be known on the earth,  
And your saving power among the nations:  
Christ, have mercy.

**All** Christ, have mercy.

And you, Lord, have made known your salvation,  
and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:  
Lord, have mercy.

**All** Lord, have mercy.

## ABSOLUTION

May God who loved the world so much  
that he sent his Son to be our Saviour  
forgive us our sin  
and make us holy to serve him in the world,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

All 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.

## COLLECT

God our saviour,  
look on this wounded world  
in pity and in power;  
hold us fast to your promise of peace  
won for us by your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

## POEM

The Periphery

*By Kate Fox Robinson*

You will find us on the periphery  
In the land of the mapless unknown  
You will find us at the edges  
Where the wild things grow.

You will find us in the liminal space  
Where no one knows what to expect  
You will find us where the sea meets the shore  
And no one knows what will wash up next.

You will find us among the hedgerows  
Gathering what delights are growing there  
You will find us with the bees and butterflies  
Connecting over here with over with there.

You will find us on our knees  
With the beetles and the ants  
Living all together  
Without a lot of thanks.

For our humble jumbled life  
And our muddy handed style  
But we would invite you  
To come a stay a while.

In the land where the wild things are  
And the place where the periphery reigns  
You may learn things here that serve you  
When you return to your pathed way.

*Music: Remix of the Blessing by Digital Pilgrim*

## **DISMISSAL**

*Cathy Ross and Jonny Baker*

Thank you for the places where everything is flourishing  
But help us to hear you when you say:

**All Let's go over to the other side of the lake.**

Give us courage:

**All To get in the boat.**

Thank you for fellow travellers in other boats:

**All Give us friends for the journey.**

When the storms come in the middle of the night  
And we wish we had never set out:

**All You are with us.**

When the waters rise  
And we are overwhelmed:

**All You are there.**

When the time is right:

**All Calm the storm.**

Help us to follow you:

**All Into risky spaces.**

Give us your compassion:  
**All For those in chains.**

Free the oppressed:  
**All Send their demons over the cliff.**

When we are tempted to take them back to Jerusalem:  
**All Let them stay in their own culture  
And share the Good News with their own people.**

May your kingdom come,  
Your will be done,  
On the other side of the lake.  
**All Amen.**

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