

Matthew 25:1-13 (NIV) - The Parable of the Ten Virgins

1 “At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. **2** Five of them were foolish and five were wise. **3** The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. **4** The wise ones, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. **5** The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep.

6 “At midnight the cry rang out: ‘Here’s the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!’

7 “Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. **8** The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.’

9 “‘No,’ they replied, ‘there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.’

10 “But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut.

11 “Later the others also came. ‘Lord, Lord,’ they said, ‘open the door for us!’

12 “But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I don’t know you.’

13 “Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16 (the Lectionary)

12 Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her.

13 She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.

14 One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate.

15 To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,

16 because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.



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PRAISE AND WORSHIP

8 November 2020 – Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost – at 12 Noon

WE GATHER IN GOD’S PRESENCE

Meditation

11:55 A.M.

Silent Meditation

Prelude

Tomasz Piętak

Greeting/Announcements

Rev. Dr. Neil Parker

• #596 *Wellspring Of Wisdom Hear Or Cry*

1. Wellspring of Wisdom, hear or cry.

The way ahead is parched and dry.

We seek a source to satisfy our thirst for sanctifying waters, wisdom for your faith-filled sons and daughters.

2. Dawn of a New Day, put to flight the terrors of a nuclear night.

As bearers of your lovely light, we huddle closer to your fire, lift the lamp of hope a little higher.

4. Call to Compassion, help us bring our burning need for nurturing, the emptiness of everything to your embrace, as we endeavour to proclaim your holy name forever.

Time with Children

WE HEAR THE WORD

Scripture Reading

Matthew 25:1-13

Edson Dorneles

Responsive Psalm

Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16

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Soloist

Lord, Make Me An Instrument Of Thy peace

Kristin Lewis

by Olive Dungan

WE RESPOND IN THANKS AND PRAYER

• **#124 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence**

1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.

4. At his feet the six-winged seraph,
cherubim, with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
"Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord Most High!"

3. Rank on rank the host of
heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the pow'rs of hell may
vanish
as the darkness clears away.

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Offering

Soloist

Lord's Prayer
by Albert Hay Malotte

Kristin Lewis

Doxology

• **#47 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all here below.
Praise Him above the Heavenly Hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Announcements / Sharing

● All who are able, please rise.

WE GO INTO GOD'S WORLD WITH BLESSING

• **#4426 We Are Marching (Siyahamba)**

1. We are marching in the light of
God,
We are marching in the light of God.
(Repeat)
We are marching, marching,
We are marching, marching,
We are marching in the light of God.
(Repeat)

2 We are living in the love of
God,
We are living in the love of God,
(Repeat)
We are living, living,
We are living, living,
We are living in the love of God,
(Repeat)

3 We are moving in the power of
God,
We are moving in the power of God,
(Repeat)
We are moving, moving,
We are moving, moving,
We are moving in the power of God.
(Repeat)

• **Blessing / Commissioning**

• **#312 Amen** *Congregational Amen*

• Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Tomasz Piętak

