

# St Simon Zelotes



**MORNING PRAYER**  
**Sunday 10 January 2021**  
**10.00am**

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## **Welcome**

### **Hymn**

*How firm a foundation*

1 How firm a foundation,  
ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith  
in his excellent Word  
What more can he say  
than to you he hath said,  
You who unto Jesus  
for refuge have fled?

2 In ev'ry condition,  
in sickness, in health,  
in poverty's vale,  
or abounding in wealth,  
at home and abroad,  
on the land, on the sea,  
as thy days may demand,  
shall thy strength ever be.



3 When through the deep waters  
He calls thee to go,  
The rivers of grief  
shall not thee overflow;  
For he will be with thee  
in trouble to bless,  
and sanctify to thee  
thy deepest distress.

4 When through fiery trials  
thy pathway shall lie,  
his grace, all sufficient,  
shall be thy supply;  
The flame shall not hurt thee;  
His only design  
Thy dross to consume,  
and thy gold to refine.

5 The soul that on Jesus  
has leaned for repose,  
he will not, he cannot  
desert to its foes;  
That soul, though all hell  
should endeavour to shake,  
he never will leave  
He will never forsake.



## **Sentence of Scripture**

### **Exhortation**

#### **Confession**

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

#### **Absolution**



### **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come. Thy will  
be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our  
daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive  
them that trespass against us. And lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.  
Amen

### **Responses**

O Lord, open thou our lips.

**All: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

O God, make speed to save us.

**All: O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*Please stand*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy  
Ghost.

**All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall  
be, world without end. Amen.**

Praise ye the Lord.

**All: The Lord's name be praised.**



## Psalm 29

- 1 Bring unto the Lord, O ye mighty, bring young rams ' unto the ' Lord : ascribe unto the ' Lord worship' and ' strength.
- 2 Give the Lord the honour due ' unto his ' Name : worship the ' Lord with ' holy ' worship.
- 3 It is the Lord, that com'mandeth the ' waters : it is the glorious 'God, that 'maketh the ' thunder.
- 4 It is the Lord, that ruleth the sea; the voice of the Lord is mighty in 'oper'ation : the voice of the Lord ' is a ' glorious ' voice.
- 5 The voice of the Lord ' breaketh the 'cedar-trees : yea, the Lord 'breaketh the ' cedars of ' Libanus.
- 6 He maketh them also to skip ' like a 'calf : Libanus also, and Sirion ' like a ' young ' unicorn.
- 7 The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord ' shaketh the ' wilderness : yea, the Lord 'shaketh the ' wilderness of ' Cades.
- 8 The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and discovereth the 'thick ' bushes : in his temple doth 'every man ' speak of his ' honour.
- 9 The Lord sitteth a'bove the ' water-flood : and the Lord re'maineth a ' King for ' ever.
- 10 The Lord shall give strength 'unto his 'people : the Lord shall give his 'people the 'blessing of 'peace.

Glory be to the Father, and ' to the ' Son : and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ' ever ' shall be : world without ' end. ' A ' men.



**First reading: Isaiah 42:1-9**

**42** 'Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations. <sup>2</sup> He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. <sup>3</sup> A bruised reed he will not break, and a smouldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; <sup>4</sup> he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his teaching the islands will put their hope.'

<sup>5</sup> This is what God the LORD says – the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out, who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it: <sup>6</sup> 'I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, <sup>7</sup> to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness.

<sup>8</sup> 'I am the LORD; that is my name! I will not yield my glory to another or my praise to idols. <sup>9</sup> See, the former things have taken place, and new things I declare; before they spring into being I announce them to you.'



### **Second reading: Matthew 3:1-17**

**3** In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea <sup>2</sup> and saying, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'<sup>3</sup> This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah: 'A voice of one calling in the wilderness, "Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him."'

<sup>4</sup> John's clothes were made of camel's hair, and he had a leather belt round his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup> People went out to him from Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole region of the Jordan. <sup>6</sup> Confessing their sins, they were baptised by him in the River Jordan.

<sup>7</sup> But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptising, he said to them: 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath?' <sup>8</sup> Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. <sup>9</sup> And do not think you can say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our father." I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. <sup>10</sup> The axe has been laid to the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.



<sup>11</sup> 'I baptise you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire.'

<sup>13</sup> Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptised by John. <sup>14</sup> But John tried to deter him, saying, 'I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?' <sup>15</sup> Jesus replied, 'Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfil all righteousness.' Then John consented.

<sup>16</sup> As soon as Jesus was baptised, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. <sup>17</sup> And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.'



## Hymn

*Now thank we all our God*

1 Now thank we all our God  
with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done,  
in whom his world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms  
hath blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.

2 O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us,  
to keep us in his grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills  
in this world and the next.



3 All praise and thanks to God  
the Father now be given,  
the Son and him who reigns  
with them in highest heaven  
the one eternal God,  
whom earth and heav'n adore;  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

Martin Rinkart trans. Catherine Winkworth  
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### **The Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



### Responses

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

**All: And grant us thy salvation.**

O Lord, save the Queen.

**All: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

**All: And make thy chosen people joyful.**

O Lord, save thy people.

**All: And bless thine inheritance.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

**All: Because there is none other that fighteth for us,  
but only thou, O God.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

**All: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

### Collect for First Sunday after the Epiphany

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### Morning Collects



## **Anthem**

### *Come Holy Ghost*

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,  
and lighten with celestial fire.  
Thou the anointing Spirit art,  
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.  
Thy blessed unction from above  
is comfort, life, and fire of love.

Enable with perpetual light  
the dullness of our blinded sight.  
Anoint and cheer our soiled face  
with the abundance of thy grace.  
Keep far from foes, give peace at home:  
where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
and thee, of both, to be but One,  
that through the ages all along,  
this may be our endless song:  
Praise to thy eternal merit,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Words: Bishop J. Cosin (1594 – 1692)  
based on the hymn Veni, Creator Spiritus  
Music: Thomas Attwood  
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## **Intercessions**

### **Notices**



## Hymn

### *Eternal ruler of the ceaseless round*

1 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round  
of circling planets singing on their way,  
Guide of the nations from the night profound  
into the glory of the perfect day;  
rule in our hearts, that we may ever be  
guided and strengthened and upheld by thee.

2 We are of thee, the children of thy love,  
the brothers of thy well-beloved Son;  
descend, O Holy Spirit, like a dove  
into our hearts, that we may be as one:  
as one with thee, to whom we ever tend;  
as one with him, our Brother and our Friend.

3 O, clothe us with thy heavenly armor, Lord,  
thy trusty shield, thy sword of love divine;  
our inspiration be thy constant word,  
we ask no victories that are not thine;  
give or withhold, let pain or pleasure be;  
enough to know that we are serving thee.

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## **Sermon**

*The baptism of Christ*  
*Anando Mukerjee*

## **Hymn**

*When I survey the wondrous cross*

1 When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
Save in the death of Christ my God:  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.

3 See from his head, his hands, his feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down:  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?



4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were an off'ring far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Isaac Watts  
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## **Blessing**

### **Organ Voluntary**

*Carillon - Herbert Murrill*