

WORSHIP on Sconset Beach

August 2, 2020 8:00 AM

MUSIC FOR GATHERING

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

A Moment of Silence: Be still, and know that I am God

The Collect by Pádraig Ó Tuama

Jesus, water of life
You are our well and our welcome
and in conversation
—us with you and you with us—
we find the poetry of our lives.

May we bring
our stories and our sadness
our laments and our lives
to each other
in this shared place.

May we search for this same conversation
between divided peoples.

And so find community
in the strange and surprising places.

Amen

PRAYER

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend us; and, because we cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern us always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

PSALM Psalm 145: 8-9, 15-22

- 8 You are gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 You are loving to everyone *
and your compassion is over all his works.
- 15 You uphold all those who fall; *
you lift up those who are bowed down.
- 16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O God, *
and you give them their food in due season.
- 17 You open wide your hand *
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
- 18 You are righteous in all your ways *
and loving in all your works.
- 19 You are near to those who call upon you, *
to all who call upon you faithfully.
- 20 You fulfill the desire of those who fear you; *
you hear their cry and help them.

- 21 You preserve all those who love you, *
but you destroy all the wicked.
- 22 My mouth shall speak your praises, O God; *
let all flesh bless your holy Name for ever and ever.

SCRIPTURE A Reading from Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves."

Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

SERMON The Rev. J. Carr Holland III

PRAYERS

People's Response:
God in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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. Amen**

HYMN *"Eternal Father, Strong to Save" (Not to be sung)*

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

Eternal Father, loving all,
Who listens when thy children call
Who holds the universal key
To fog and rain and windy lea.
Oh, hear us when we pray for care,
Of those in peril in the air.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Blessing of Enough by —Jan Richardson from The Painted Prayerbook

I know how small
this blessing seems;
just a morsel
that hardly matches
the sharp hunger
you carry inside you.

But trust me
when I say—
though I can scarcely
believe it myself—
that between
and behind
and beneath
these words
there is a space

where a table
has been laid
a feast
has been prepared
all has been
made ready
for you
and it will be
enough
and more.

“Worship on Sconset Beach” will continue at 8:00 AM
Twice monthly on August 2 and August 20.

There will be a blessing of the animals on August 16.
Please come worship with us again and invite your friends.

“Worship on Sconset Beach” is a ministry of the Siasconset Union Chapel.
You are invited to attend Church service virtually at 10:30 AM each Sunday on the website:
www.sconsetchapel.org

There is a Service of reflective prayer on Thursdays at 8:00 AM. In the memorial garden.
Your offerings, through the Chapel, support numerous charities on Nantucket.

Please help us keep our beach clean
by taking bulletins with you or placing them in the trash can.

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