



THE FEAST OF HILDA OF WHITBY  
ABBESS AND PEACEMAKER, 680  
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2020 | 10:00 AM

ORDER OF SERVICE

OPENING ACCLAMATION

**Celebrant** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**People** *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

COLLECT FOR PURITY

**Celebrant**  
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OPENING ANTHEM

**Celebrant** Lord, have mercy.  
**People** *Christ, have mercy.*  
**Celebrant** Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.  
**People** *And also with you.*  
**Celebrant** Let us pray.

O God of peace, by whose grace the abbess Hilda was endowed with gifts of justice, prudence, and strength to rule as a wise mother over the nuns and monks of her household: Raise up these gifts in us, that we, following her example and prayers, may build up one another in love to the benefit of your church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

LESSON

**Reader** A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

**Ephesians 4:1-6**

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

**Reader** The Word of the Lord.  
**People** *Thanks be to God.*

GOSPEL

**Gospeller** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
**People** *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

**Matthew 19:27-29**

<sup>27</sup>Then Peter said in reply, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?' <sup>28</sup>Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man is seated on the throne of his glory, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. <sup>29</sup>And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and will inherit eternal life.

**Gospeller**     The Gospel of the Lord.  
**People**         *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**SERMON**             **THE REVEREND JOHN CAMPBELL, CURATE**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Reader**         The Lord be with you.

**People**         *And also with you.*

**Reader**         Let us pray.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop(s); for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people, especially those suffering from COVID-19, those caring for them, and those working on treatments. Pray for justice and peace. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, those on the prayer list of our parish, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble, especially victims of Gulf Coast hurricanes and Western wildfires. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died, especially Mary Duggan. *Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERTORY**

**Celebrant**

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**OFFERTORY SONG**

**DOXOLOGY**

*The gifts are presented and placed on the Altar.*

**Celebrant** And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*Celebrant and People say together*

**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,*

*for ever and ever. Amen.*

#### **A GENERAL THANKSGIVING**

*Celebrant and People say together*

**Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.**

***We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.***

***We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.***

***We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.***

***Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.***

***Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.***

#### **BLESSING**

**Celebrant**

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you this day and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

#### **DISMISSAL**

**Celebrant**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People**

***Thanks be to God.***

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### **WORSHIP MINISTERS**

Preacher & Celebrant: *The Reverend John Campbell, Curate* | Reader: *Patti Peacock* | Technology Support: *Brad Powell*

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

Contact [office@stlukesonthelake.org](mailto:office@stlukesonthelake.org) to add yourself or a loved one to this list.

Names remain on this list for four weeks unless otherwise requested.

Names of those who have died are read during Prayers of the People for two weeks.

***Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation, especially:***

**These Members and Loved Ones Serving Our Country:** Amos, Brian, Christine F., Christine M., Christopher, Isabelle, Jacob, Jason, Mark, Marshall, Phillip, Raymond, Russell, Scott, Travis, Weston.

**These Members and Loved Ones Who Are COVID-19 Heroes:** Anna, April, Aurelia, Bethany, Beau, Brenda, Brett, Christine, Daryl, Dennis, Dustin, Elizabeth, Jason, Jenny, Jim, Laura, Lucia, Michelle, Niki, Noël, Pito, Rick & Wendy, Riley, Ryan, Sherry, Sterling, Tamara.

**Those Whose Needs Have Been Made Known to Us:** Beverly, Breese, Caitlin, Carol, Cathy, Chris G., Chris M., Christy and David, Corinne, Craig, Dana, Deborah, Eleanor, Elle & Jared, George, Hester, JoAnne, John F., John H., John & Suzy, Karen, Julia, & Jack, Kristi, Marilyn, Mark, Mary, Mary Alice, Nelle, Pat, Rachel, Morris, the Family of Lauren Hinton Kirk, the Clement Family, the Labit Family, the Roberts Family, the Watson Family.

**Those Who Have Died:** Mary Duggan, wife of Jan Duggan and mother and grandmother of the Tabor Family.

**All St. Luke's Ministry and Mission Partners,** including our St. Luke's workers in the field: K & K & children, V.B..

**The Staff of Dell Children's Hospital,** especially those serving patients in PICU, Mental Health, and 3-Central.

***Bless and guide the ministry and mission of St. Luke's, especially:*** Children, Youth, and Family Ministries and disaster relief.

## HILDA OF WHITBY ABBESS AND PEACEMAKER (18 NOV 680)

Hilda (known in her own century as "Hild") was the grandniece of King Edwin (see 12 Oct) of Northumbria, a kingdom of the Angles. She was born in 614 and baptized in 627 when the king and his household became Christians. In 647 she decided to become a nun, and under the direction of Aidan (see 31 Aug) she established several monasteries. Her last foundation was at Whitby. It was a double house: a community of men and another of women, with the chapel in between, and Hilda as the governor of both; and it was a great center of English learning, one which produced five bishops (during Hilda's lifetime or that of the Abbey?). Here a stable-boy, Caedmon, was moved to compose religious poems in the Anglo-Saxon tongue, most of them metrical paraphrases of narratives from Genesis and the Gospels.



Ruins of Whitby Abbey (built long after Hilda's time). [*Photo by author*]

The Celtic peoples of Britain had heard the Gospel well before 300 AD, but in the 400's and 500's a massive invasion of Germanic peoples (Angles, Jutes, and Saxons) forced the native Celts out of what is now England and into Wales, Ireland, and Scotland. The invaders were pagans, and missionaries were sent to them in the north and west by the Celts, and in the south and east by Rome and other churches on the continent of Europe.

Roman and Celtic traditions differed, not in doctrine, but on such questions as the proper way of calculating the date of Easter, and the proper style of haircut and dress for a monk. It was, in particular, highly desirable that Christians, at least in the same area, should celebrate Easter at the same time; and it became clear that the English Church would have to choose between the old Celtic customs which it had inherited from before 300, and the customs of continental Europe and in particular of Rome that missionaries from there had brought with them. In 664 the Synod of Whitby met at that monastery to consider the matter, and it was decided to follow Roman usage.

Hilda herself greatly preferred the Celtic customs in which she had been reared, but once the decision had been made she used her moderating influence in favor of its peaceful acceptance. Her influence was considerable; kings and commoners alike came to her for advice. She was urgent in promoting the study of the Scriptures and the thorough education of the clergy. She died 17 November 680.