St. Martin’s Episcopal Church
Shady Cove, OR

Morning Prayer
during a time of
Evacuation from the Obenchain Wildfire

September 13, 2020
Welcome and Introduction by Rev. Laura

Opening Hymn Peace Before Us

Peace before us, peace behind us, peace under our feet.
Peace within us, peace over us, let all around us be peace.

Light before us, light behind us, light under our feet.
light within us, light over us, let all around us be light.

Love before us, love behind us, love under our feet.
Love within us, love over us, let all around us be love.

Christ before us, Christ behind us, Christ under our feet.
Christ within us, Christ over us, let all around us be Christ.

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Officiant Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:2

Officiant Lord, open our lips.
All And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Jubilate Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before God’s presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are God’s people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter God’s gates with thanksgiving;
go into God’s courts with praise; *
give thanks to God and call upon God’s Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.
Psalm 91: 1-11 Qui habitat

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, * 
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 He shall say to the Lord, 
“You are my refuge and my stronghold, * 
my God in whom I put my trust.”

3 He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter * 
and from the deadly pestilence.

4 He shall cover you with his pinions, 
and you shall find refuge under his wings; * 
his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.

5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, * 
nor of the arrow that flies by day;

6 Of the plague that stalks in the darkness, * 
nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day.

7 A thousand shall fall at your side 
and ten thousand at your right hand, * 
but it shall not come near you.

8 Your eyes have only to behold * 
to see the reward of the wicked.

9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, * 
and the Most High your habitation,

10 There shall no evil happen to you, * 
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, * 
to keep you in all your ways.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be 
for ever. Amen.
Reader A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew (11:28-30)

28 Jesus said, “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
All Thanks be to God.

A Brief Reflection by Jerry Campbell

Words of Gratitude
Please take a moment alone or with another to share or reflect on a blessing you have witnessed during this time.

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

In the words that Jesus taught us, from where ever we are, we pray as one

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.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

From Wonder, Love and Praise #827
Words: Psalm 102  Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)
Leader  In peace, let us pray. As we begin this day, O God,  
All      Give all your peace.

Leader  As we pause in a time of grave concern,  
All      Give all your peace.

Leader  As we wait amidst uncertainty,  
All      Give all your peace.

Leader  For Shady Cove, Butte Falls and communities  
        near and far, ravaged by wildfires, and all places  
        of need in this world,  
All      Give all your peace.

Leader  For all who work ceaselessly to protect land, life  
        and property, to contain the wildfires, when  
        resources are stretched thin, and strength can  
        only be found in you,  
All      Give all your peace.

Leader  For the many who open their hearts, homes and  
        places of safety to shelter and comfort those who  
        suffer, both humans and animals, and for the  
        grace to help those most vulnerable, where ever  
        we are,  
All      Give all your peace.

Leader  For all who have lost much, especially in  
        Phoenix, Talent, South Medford, and other  
        communities throughout Oregon, California and  
        Washington, we pray,  
All      Give all your peace.

Leader  In trusting you to work through angels of mercy  
        to minister to the suffering,  
All      Give all your peace.

Leader  For those who have died in wildfires,  
All      Give all your peace.
Let us remember those for whom we pray.

Collect for the Day
O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Collect for Sundays
O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer attributed to St. Francis
Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

A Collect for Guidance
Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom
Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and
you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn**  
**I’ll Fly Away**  by Albert E. Brumley

*Some glad mornin’ when this life is over I'll fly away  
To a home on God’s celestial shore I’ll fly away*

**Chorus**  
I'll fly away, oh, glory, I'll fly away (in the mornin)  
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have grown I'll fly away  
Like a bird from prison bars has flown I’ll fly away

**Chorus**

Oh, how glad and happy when we meet I’ll fly away  
No more more cold iron shackles on my feet I’ll fly away

**Chorus**

Just a few more weary days and then I'll fly away  
To a land where joy shall never end I'll fly away

**Chorus**

**Officiant**  
Let us bless the Lord.  
**All**  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Blessing**

Life is short, and we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And may the Divine Mystery who is beyond our ability to know but who made us and who loves us and who travels with us, bless us and keep us in peace. **Amen.**