

CELEBRATION OF ABSALOM JONES  
EVENING PRAYER,  
FEBRUARY 21, 2021 – 3:00 P.M.

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Homily	The Rt. Rev. Dr. Diana Akiyama	
Hymn: <i>We the Lord's people, heart and voice uniting</i>		Hymnal 51
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Prayers of the People	Mother Alcena Boozer	

Holy God, we pray in the spirit of Fr. Absalom Jones for the Church and the Diocese of Oregon  
***That we may be united as one in your Holy Name.***

As Fr. Absalom Jones led his people to humbly serve you during the pandemic of the late 18th century to humbly serve you  
***Let us serve all who are in need to glorify your Name***

We pray for all who minister in your name  
***That the healing power and glory of your sacraments may be known throughout the whole wide earth***

We pray for those who lead the nations of the world  
***That the world may know justice and peace***

Let all that we endeavor to do be done in your Name  
***That the earth may reflect your glory***

Let your healing power be known by all who suffer from the ravages of the pandemic now sweeping the earth  
***That your people may once more experience wholeness to your honor and glory***

May the souls of those taken by the ravages of covid rest in peace  
***And rise in glory. Amen***

Let us lift up to God those who are in need of our prayers.

The Collect of the Day  
Set us free, heavenly Father, from every bond of prejudice and fear; that, honoring the steadfast courage of your servant Absalom Jones, we may show forth in our lives the reconciling love and true freedom of the children of God, which you have given us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

*Dona Nobis Pacem* St. Luke's Handbell Choir

The General Thanksgiving Bishop Brian Prior BCP 125

A Prayer of St. John Chrysostom BCP 126

The Blessing Fr. Jim Boston

Closing Hymn: *Lift Every Voice and Sing* LEVAS Hymn 1

The Dismissal Dcn Allan Miles

**Isaiah 42:5-9**

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it:

I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

**Psalm 126** *In convertendo*

1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, \*  
then were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \*  
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations, \*  
"The Lord has done great things for them."

4 The Lord has done great things for us, \*  
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, \*  
like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears \*  
will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \*  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

**Juan 15:12-15 (Jn 15:12-15)**

Y esto es lo que les mando: que se amen unos a otros, así como yo los amo a ustedes. Nadie muestra más amor que quien da la vida por sus amigos. Ustedes son mis amigos, si hacen lo que les mando. Ya no los llamo sirvientes, porque un sirviente no sabe lo que hace su jefe. Los llamo amigos, porque les he contado todo lo que me enseñó mi Padre.

**John 15:12-15**

Jesus said, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life

for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father."

Readers:

The Rt. Rev Dr. Diana Akiyama  
The Rt. Rev. Brian Prior  
Mother Alcena Boozer  
Rev. Carla Robinson  
Fr. Beto Arciniega  
Rev. Nic Mather  
Rev. Dcn. Allen Miles  
Rev. Ernestine Flemister

Organist & Choir/Music Director: Janet O'Donovan

Handbell Choir: Judy Anzalone  
Ethan Clifton  
Rosie Clifton  
Christina Fredrikson  
Alison Huber  
Lynn Hughes  
Janet O'Donovan  
Paul O'Donovan