

# Trinity News

## **Pentecost III My yoke is easy and my burden is Light**

**J**esus addresses God as "The Lord of heaven and earth."

The messianic prophet from Nazareth spared no riches of language to describe the majesty of God. He was more conscious than the biblical scholars are prepared to admit of who he really was, as we see in the text before us today from Matthew 11:25-30. But he was also deeply aware of smallness, and powerlessness, and those belittled by society. Despite his incredibly daring statements about his unique access into the heart of the Father, he did not appear to be comfortable in making the Father in his own image. He never broke the commandment about making images of God. Abba was the highest spiritual mountain of all, even if Jesus was reshaping the landscape of the mountain and refreshing the vision of God.

God reveals the beauty of his heart and the glory of his love in Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus says that sometimes this revelation is hidden from those who appear to be wise and intelligent. Instead it is given to the curious minds of the little ones who are taking their first steps into a vast world yet to be discovered of knowledge gained through experience. The glory of the Reign of God can only be seen by clear and curious eyes, not by those who think they know it all.

"Yes Father, for such was your gracious will". The graciousness of God extends to those whom the world considers to be not-yet-smart or never-will-be-smart.

"All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him." To be chosen as someone to whom the heart of God is revealed would be hard to bear: such glory!

Beautiful words occur at the end of Gospel passage:

“Come to me all you who are weary and carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble of heart. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light” (Matthew 11:28-30). The word ‘gentle’ would be better translated as “a person of gentle unassailable strength.”

These words fly off the page and enter our hearts. Always look for such signal-like words when the Scripture is read publicly and in your own reading: instantly refreshing!

**Bishop Arthur Jones**

### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:**

**Isaiah 55:1-5,10-13; Psalm 65; Romans 8:9-17; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

### **TO PLAN:**

July 5, Tuesday.

Bible Study @ the Tuttons, 7:15pm

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July 7, Thursday.

Midweek Eucharist, 10am, Chapel.