**Sunday Morning Prayer: Rite II**

**The Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost**

**August 16th, 2020 9am**

*Officiant*

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me,   
and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling. *Psalm 43:3*

**Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

**The Invitatory and Psalter**

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

*People* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**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.**

**Venite** Psalm 95:1-7  
(read in unison)

**Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*   
    let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.   
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*   
    and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God, \*   
    and a great King above all gods.   
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*   
    and the heights of the hills are his also.   
The sea is his, for he made it, \*   
    and his hands have molded the dry land.**

**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*   
    and kneel before the Lord our Maker.   
For he is our God,   
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
    Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

**The Psalm**

Psalm 133 *Ecce, quam bonum!*

**1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, \*  
    when brethren live together in unity!**

**2 It is like fine oil upon the head \*  
    that runs down upon the beard,**

**3 Upon the beard of Aaron, \*  
    and runs down upon the collar of his robe.**

**4 It is like the dew of Hermon \*  
    that falls upon the hills of Zion.**

**5 For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: \*  
    life for evermore.**

*At the end of the Psalm is said*

**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**

**The Lessons**

**The First Lesson** Genesis 45:1-15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, “Send everyone away from me.” So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’ And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

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

Canticle 16 The Song of Zechariah *(Read in unison)*

**Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \***

**he has come to his people and set them free.**

**He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \***

**born of the house of his servant David.**

**Through his holy prophets he promised of old,**

**that he would save us from our enemies, \***

**from the hands of all who hate us.**

**He promised to show mercy to our fathers \***

**and to remember his holy covenant.**

**This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \***

**to set us free from the hands of our enemies,**

**Free to worship him without fear, \***

**holy and righteous in his sight**

**all the days of our life.**

**You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \***

**for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,**

**To give people knowledge of salvation \***

**by the forgiveness of their sins.**

**In the tender compassion of our God \***

**the dawn from on high shall break upon us,**

**To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the**

**shadow of death, \***

**and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

**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.**

### The Second Lesson Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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

**Canticle 21****You are God**   *(Read in unison)*

**You are God: we praise you;   
You are the Lord; we acclaim you;   
You are the eternal Father:   
All creation worships you.   
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,   
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:   
    Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
    heaven and earth are full of your glory.   
The glorious company of apostles praise you.   
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.   
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.   
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you;   
    Father, of majesty unbounded,   
    your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
    and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.**

**You, Christ, are the king of glory,   
the eternal Son of the Father.   
When you became man to set us free   
you did not shun the Virgin's womb.   
You overcame the sting of death   
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.   
You are seated at God's right hand in glory.   
We believe that you will come and be our judge.   
    Come then, Lord, and help your people,   
    bought with the price of your own blood,   
    and bring us with your saints   
    to glory everlasting.**

### The Gospel Matthew 15: 21-28

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

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

**The Sermon**

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**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**

**The Prayers**

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Officiant* Let us pray.

**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.**

**Suffrages B**

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

**R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

V. Day by day we bless you;

**R. We praise your Name for ever.**

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

**R. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

**R. For we put our trust in you.**

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

**R. And we shall never hope in vain.**

*The Collect of the Day*

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son 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 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 for Mission*

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. ***Amen****.*

*Intercessions and Thanksgivings may be added here.*

**The General Thanksgiving**

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,**

**we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks**

**for all your goodness and loving-kindness**

**to us and to all whom you have made.**

**We bless you for our creation, preservation,**

**and all the blessings of this life;**

**but above all for your immeasurable love**

**in the redemption of the world**

**by our Lord Jesus Christ;**

**for the means of grace,**

**and for the hope of glory.**

**And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,**

**that with truly thankful hearts**

**we may show forth your praise,**

**not only with our lips, but in our lives,**

**by giving up our selves to your service,**

**and by walking before you**

**in holiness and righteousness all our days;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord,**

**to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,**

**be honor and glory throughout all ages. 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**.

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen**. 2 Corinthians 13:14