

The Season of Pentecost      Holy Eucharist Rite II  
September 11 & 12, 2021      5:30pm and 11:00am

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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Opening Hymn

*The spacious firmament on high (verses 1, 3)*

Hymnal #409

The spacious firmament on high, with all the blue ethereal sky,  
and spangled heavens, a shining frame, their great Original proclaim.  
The unwearied sun from day to day does his Creator's power display;  
and publishes to every land the work of an almighty hand.

What though in solemn silence all move round the dark terrestrial ball?  
What though no real voice nor sound amid their radiant orbs be found?  
In reason's ear they all rejoice, and utter forth a glorious voice;  
for ever singing as they shine, 'The hand that made us is divine.'

John Addison (1672-1719); para. of Psalm 19:1-6

Acclamation

pg. 355 in Book of Common Prayer

Collect for Purity

Collect of the Day

*Celebrant*    The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant*    Let us pray.

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.**

The Lessons

**THE EPISTLE:** *James 3:1-12* - Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

**PSALM:** *Psalm 19*

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \* and the firmament shows his handiwork.**
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, \* and one night imparts knowledge to another.**
- 3 Although they have no words or language, \* and their voices are not heard,**
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \* and their message to the ends of the world.**

- 5 *In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \* it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.*
- 6 *It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; \* nothing is hidden from its burning heat.*
- 7 *The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; \* the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.*
- 8 *The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; \* the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.*
- 9 *The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; \* the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.*
- 10 *More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \* sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.*
- 11 *By them also is your servant enlightened, \* and in keeping them there is great reward.*
- 12 *Who can tell how often he offends? \* cleanse me from my secret faults.*
- 13 *Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; \* then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.*
- 14 *Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \**

**THE GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-38**

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

**The Sermon**

**Nicene Creed**

pg. 358 in Book of Common Prayer

**Prayers of the People**

**Confession of Sin**

pg. 360 in BCP

**The Peace**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**Offertory Music**

*O sacred head, sore wounded* (5:30pm)

Hymnal #168

O sacred head, sore wounded, defiled and put to scorn; O kingly head, surrounded with mocking crown of thorn: what sorrow mars thy grandeur? Can death thy bloom deflower? O countenance whose splendor the hosts of heaven adore!

Thy beauty, long-desired, hath vanished from our sight; thy power is all expired, and quenched the light of light. Ah me! for whom thou diest, hide not so far thy grace: show me, O Love most highest, the brightness of thy face.

In thy most bitter passion my heart to share doth cry, with thee for my salvation upon the cross to die.  
Ah, keep my heart thus moved to stand thy cross beneath, to mourn thee, well-beloved, yet thank thee for thy death.

What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend, for this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?  
Oh, make me thine forever! and should I fainting be, Lord, let me never, never, outlive my love for thee.

My days are few, O fail not, with thine immortal power, to hold me that I quail not in death's most fearful hour;  
that I may fight befriended, and see in my last strife to me thine arms extended upon the cross of life.

Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676)

*O That I Had a Thousand Voices* (11:00am)

Althouse

## Offertory

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People ***And of thine own have we given thee.***

## The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing . . .  
. . . to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Sanctus

People ***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.***

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father. . . . .Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People ***Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption. . . . .Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**  
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

### The Lord's Prayer

***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.***

## The Breaking of the Bread

### Fraction Anthem

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## Communion Music

*Glorious things of thee are spoken*

Hymnal #522

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; he whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode;  
on the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See! the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove. Who can faint, when such a river ever will their thirst assuage? Grace which, like the Lord, the giver never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear for a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near. Thus deriving from their banner, light by night, and shade by day, safe they feed upon the manna which he gives them when they pray.

Blest inhabitants of Zion, washed in the Redeemer's blood! Jesus, whom their souls rely on, makes them kings and priests to God. 'Tis his love his people raise over self to reign as kings: and as priests, his solemn praises each for a thank-offering brings.

John Newton (1725-1807)

*O sacred head, sore wounded* (words on pg. 2)

Hymnal #168

## Postcommunion Prayer

***Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

## Blessing

### Closing Hymn

*The church's one foundation* (verses 1,2)

Hymnal #525

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the word: from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Samuel John Stone (1839-1900)

## Dismissal

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