

AN ONLINE SUNDAY CELEBRATION OF THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 351)

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom,
now and for ever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 351)

The Celebrant says

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14,16

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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.

The Priest says

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

SONG OF PRAISE (BCP p. 356)

**I will rejoice, I will be glad,
I will praise God
Who holds my life in His hands.**
I will praise the Father,
I will praise the Son.
I will praise the Spirit forever more.
**I will rejoice, I will be glad,
I will praise God,
Who holds my life in His hands.**
I will praise the Father,
each and every day
And I will sing His love songs forever more.
**I will rejoice, I will be glad,
I will praise God,
Who holds my life in His hands.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 357)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

The priest prays the collect of the day.

The Lessons

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THE SERMON (BCP p. 358)

THE CREED (BCP p. 358)

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
 he became incarnate from the Virgin
 Mary,
 and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the
living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of
life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped
and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic
Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Priest Go in peace to love and
 serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 363)

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
Our Father who art 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.
Lead us not into temptation
 but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory forever and ever. Amen

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

PROPER 18 IN ORDINARY TIME ~ SEPTEMBER 3, 2020



The Lessons

FIRST READING: Genesis 50:15-21

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

¹⁵Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" ¹⁶So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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

PSALM: Psalm 103:[1-7] 8-13

⁸The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.
⁹He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
¹⁰He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
¹¹For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
¹²As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.
¹³As a father cares for his children, *
so does the LORD care for those who fear him.

SECOND READING: Romans 14:1-12

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

¹Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. ²Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

⁵Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

⁷We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. ¹¹For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,

and every tongue shall give praise to God."

¹²So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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he would pay his entire debt. ³⁵So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

GOSPEL VERSICLE

Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Lector: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

Priest A proclamation of the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²¹Peter came and said to [Jesus], “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

²³“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’

²⁷And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³²Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until