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## The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 11

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### Morning Prayer

*Officiant*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Officiant*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Officiant 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.**

*Officiant*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all our 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**

### The Invitatory and Psalter

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

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

*Officiant and People*

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.**

**Jubilate** *Psalm 100*

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;\* serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; \* he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise;\* give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

**For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;\* and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

**Psalm 86:11-17**

**(Read in unison after the first asterisk)**

11 Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth; \* knit my heart to you that I may fear your Name.

12 **I will thank you, O LORD my God, with all my heart, \* and glorify your Name for evermore.**

13 For great is your love toward me; \* you have delivered me from the nethermost Pit.

14 **The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent men seeks my life; \* they have not set you before their eyes.**

15 But you, O LORD, are gracious and full of compassion, \* slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

16 **Turn to me and have mercy upon me; \* give your strength to your servant; and save the child of your handmaid.**

17 Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; \* because you, O LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

*Officiant and People*

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.**

**A Reading from Isaiah** (44:6-8)

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Canticle 9 – The First Song of Isaiah**

Surely, it is God who saves me;\* I will trust in him and not be afraid.

**For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,\* and he will be my Savior.**

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing\* from the springs of salvation.

**And on that day you shall say,\* Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;**

Make his deeds known among the peoples;\* see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

**Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things,\* and this is known in all the world.**

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy,\* for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

*Officiant and People*

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.**

**A Reading from Romans** (8:12-25)

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you

will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God**

**Canticle 18 – A Song to the Lamb**

Splendor and honor and kingly power\* are yours by right, O Lord our God,

**For you created everything that is,\* and by your will they were created and have their being;**

And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain,\* for with your blood you have redeemed for God,

**From every family, language, people, and nation,\* a kingdom of priests to serve our God.**

And so, to him who sits upon the throne,\* and to Christ the Lamb,

**Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor\* for ever and for evermore.**

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew** (13:24-30, 36-43)

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone

who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

*Silence for reflection*

Fr. Haynes

## **The Apostles' Creed** (Standing, as able)

*Officiant and People together*

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 in heaven**  
**hallowed be your Name,**  
**your kingdom come,**  
**your will be done,**  
**on earth as in heaven.**  
**Give us this day our daily bread.**  
**Forgive us our sins**  
**as we forgive those**  
**who sin against us.**  
**Save us from the time of trial**  
**and deliver us from evil.**  
**For the kingdom, the power,**  
**and the glory are yours,**  
**now and forever. Amen.**

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. **And grant us your salvation.**  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. **Let your people sing with joy.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
R. **Your saving health among all nations.**  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

*Officiant*

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who

lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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.**

*Leader*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for the Anglican Communion, especially for the Dioceses of Kajiado - (Kenya), Kajo-Keji - (South Sudan), Kamango - (Congo), Northern Malawi - (Central Africa), Barbados - (West Indies), Kampala - (Uganda), Northern Mexico - (Mexico), Bari - (Nigeria), Northern Michigan - (The Episcopal Church), Barisal - (Bangladesh), Barrackpore - (India), Northern Philippines - (Philippines), Bath & Wells - (England), The Northern Territory - (Australia), Bathurst - (Australia), Kano - (Nigeria), and The Episcopal Church in the Philippines; our diocese, especially for the Brotherhood of St. Andrew; The Order of St. Francis; Episcopal Mission to Seafarers; Episcopal Retirement Communities; and for our parish, especially our Sugar Cream Pie Buddy Group: John & Leanne Kennedy; Janet Witter; Kat & Rich Gould; Sue & Jim Jones; Alex Ringstad & Kathy Sanders; Brita Barry.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for our armed forces, their families, and those who are deployed, especially for those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We thank you for all the blessings of this life, especially for those we now name.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, praying especially for Lyn, Areewa, Brenda, Marisa, Sandy, Paulette, Erica, Rico, Steven, David, Jenny, Hollie, Christine, Theresa, Beth, Justin, Sherrie, Saray, Julianne, Jerry, Kathy, Jessica, Antonette, Ryan, Jackie, Bill & Paula, Janis, Leif, Kari, Debbie, Kathryn, Andy, Deb, Chrystal, Gary, Paul, Mike, Judy, Elizabeth, Kori, The Frampton Family and for those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially The Rev. C. T. Vivian and The Honorable John Lewis, that your will for them may be fulfilled. We pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Officiant*

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries**

*After the Offering is collected and placed upon the altar, the following is sung*

**Song of Praise Hymn #380 vs. 3** *Doxology*  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above ye heavenly host:

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### **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.**

### **The Blessing**

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

### **St. Matthew Mission Statement**

**To be a church that passionately embraces and values all people, growing in the love of Christ through word and action.**

*Officiant* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

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