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## The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 15

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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 67**

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, \* show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 **Let your ways be known upon earth, \* your saving health among all nations.**
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \*for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.**
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 **The earth has brought forth her increase;\* may God, our own God, give us his blessing.**
- 7 May God give us his blessing, \*and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

*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** (56:1, 6-8)

Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant-- these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

*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** (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.

*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** (15:10-28)

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile." 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 Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **The Sermon**

*Silence for reflection*

Fr. Haynes

### **The Apostles' Creed**

*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, 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.**

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 Ohaji/ Egbema - (Nigeria), Brisbane - (Australia), Ohio - (The Episcopal Church), Bristol - (England), Katanga - (Congo), Oji River - (Nigeria), British Columbia - (Canada),

Okene - (Nigeria), Buhiga - (Burundi), Bujumbura - (Burundi), Oke-Ogun - (Nigeria), Bukavu - (Congo), Oke-Osun - (Nigeria), Bukedi - (Uganda), Katsina - (Nigeria), and The Scottish Episcopal Church; our diocese, especially for Bp. Rickel and the bishop's staff; All Commissions, Committees & Programs of the Diocese; and for our parish, especially our Cherry Pie Buddy Group: Tom Peterson; Jim Sloan; John, Lorraine, and Shelley Casillas; John & Theresa Hibben; Pete & Barb Stanton.

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, Deb, Chrystal, Gary, Mike, Judy, Elizabeth, Kori, Tom & Becky, Linda & Terry, Melaine, and for those we now name;

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

We commend to your mercy all who have died, 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.**