# Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

July 25, 2021



# Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God, Creator,

Redeemer, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's holy

reign, now and forever. Amen.

### Celebrant

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.



### Salutation and Collect



Celebrant Lord, have mercy. **People Christ, have mercy.**Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

Celebrant God be with you. **People And also with you.**Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### The First Lesson

2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God

# The Psalm

Psalm 145:10-19 Exaltabo te, Deus

10 All your works praise you, O Lord, \* and your faithful servants bless you.

11 They make known the glory of your kingdom \* and speak of your power;

12 That the peoples may know of your power \* and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; \* your dominion endures throughout all ages.

14 The Lord is faithful in all his words \* and merciful in all his deeds.

15 The Lord upholds all those who fall; \* he lifts up those who are bowed down.

16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, \* and you give them their food in due season.

17 You open wide your hand \* and satisfy the needs of every living creature.

18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways \* and loving in all his works.

19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him,

to all who call upon him faithfully.

### The Second Lesson

**Ephesians 3:14-21** 

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God.



### John 6:1-21

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.



### The Nicene Creed

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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], who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

# The Prayers of the People

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and for Bonnie, our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Let us pray for the Church. *Silence* 

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Let us pray for justice and peace. Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Let us pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Let us pray that they may find and be found by God. Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Let us pray for those who have died.

Silence

Let us offer our own prayers and thanksgivings, silently or aloud.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Let us pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

### Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

In unison

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done. and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.







## Sursum Corda



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 our thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.



And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.



We take this time to remember Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, and we offer to you ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon us that we may be one in heart, soul, and mind, and that we may know that your Presence lives in and among us, and that nothing can separate us from your love. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.



Together, let us pray in the words our Saviour Christ taught us:



Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today 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 for ever. Amen.

May the Lord Jesus Christ who walks on wounded feet walk with you to the end of the road. May the Lord Jesus Christ who serves with wounded hands help you to serve one another and the stranger. May the Lord Jesus Christ who loves with a wounded heart help you to love one another, the stranger, your enemy, and yourself.

Praise God wherever you may go; may you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet. And the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life be upon you now and remain with you always. Amen.

