

**THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
18 September 2016 at 10:30 a.m.  
**THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II, EOW**

**THE PEOPLE GATHER**  
*This service is based on the Order for Holy Eucharist found in Enriching Our Worship, supplemental liturgical texts. Hymns and service music are found in the blue Hymnal 1982 or the black Lift Every Voice.*

**THE WORD OF GOD**  
*The people stand to sing*  
**HYMN H-362** Holy, holy, holy! *Nicaea*

**ACCLAMATION**  
Celebrant: Blessed be our God.  
People: For ever and ever. Amen.

*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.*

**GLORY TO GOD** Gloria in excelsis *S280*

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**  
Celebrant: God be with you.  
People: And also with you.  
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*The people sit for*  
**THE LESSONS**

**The First Reading: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1**  
My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
People: Thanks be to God.

**The Psalm: Psalm 79** *Deus, venerunt*  
O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance;  
they have profaned your holy temple;  
they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.

*They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.*

They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, and there was no one to bury them.

*We have become a reproach to our neighbors, and object of scorn and derision to those around us.*

How long will you be angry, O Lord?  
Will your fury blaze like fire for ever?

*Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name.*

For they have devoured Jacob and made his dwelling a ruin.

*Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be swift to meet us; for we have been brought very low.*

Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake.

**The Epistle: 1 Timothy 2:1-7**  
First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
People: Thanks be to God.

*The people stand for the singing of the Sequence Hymn and the reading of the Gospel. Verses 1, 2, & 3 are sung before the readings and verse 4 is sung after.*

**HYMN L-145** Have thine own way *George C. Stebbins*

**The Gospel: Luke 16:1-13**  
Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, According to Luke.  
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you

into the eternal homes. Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.  
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**THE SERMON** The Rev. Stephen Secaur

*The people stand to say*  
**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, 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 people are led in*  
**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, EOW FORM III**  
Merciful God, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

*That we all may be one.*  
Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

*That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; for Michael our Presiding Bishop; for Mark our bishop; for Steve and Caroline our priests; and for all the clergy and people.

*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

*That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest;

*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. . .

*The people kneel for*  
**CONFESSION OF SIN**  
Celebrant: Let us confess our sins to God.  
*Celebrant and People*  
*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.*

*The Celebrant pronounces absolution*

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.*

## THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

*All greet one another in the name of Christ.*

## PRAYERS OF SPECIAL INTENTION

*The people may come forward to receive a special prayer or blessing.*

*The people are seated for the*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE CHILDREN’S SERMON

## ALTAR PREPARATION

*The congregation is invited to join in singing*

**HYMN L-154** Taste and see, taste and see

*James E. Moore, Jr.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY

*The people stand to sing*

**At the Presentation:** The Doxology (Hymn 380, verse 3)

*Old 100<sup>th</sup>*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EOW 2

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

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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 sing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord** Sanctus

*S130*

*The Celebrant continues*

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.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.” As supper was ending Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. 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 the Ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Joseph her spouse, Blessed Bartholomew, and 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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray,

*Celebrant and people*

*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**

Christ our Passover

*S154*

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*All baptized people—whether Episcopalian or not—are welcome to join in the sacrament of Holy Communion. Children of all ages are included in this invitation. If you wish to receive a healing blessing from the Celebrant, when you come to the rail for Communion, fold your hands in prayer.*

*The congregation is invited to join in singing*

**COMMUNION H-488**

Be thou my vision

*Slane*

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

*Celebrant and people*

*Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

## THE BLESSING

Holy eternal Majesty, Holy incarnate Word, Holy abiding Spirit, Bless you for evermore. *Amen.*

*The people stand to sing*

**HYMN H-550**

Jesus calls us; o’er the tumult

*Restoration*

## THE DISMISSAL

*The Celebrant dismisses the people, and the people respond*

People: *Thanks be to God.*

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