



## Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 13, 2021 • 9:30 a.m.

**Holy Eucharist Rite II**  
**The Liturgy of the Word**

*A warm welcome to all this Sunday Morning! Our worship is guided using the Book of Common Prayer and Enriching Our Worship.*

**Bold text indicates parts for the Assembly to say.**

*Smaller Italic text offers directions for the service.*

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### **Prelude: Musical Selection**

### **Welcome Announcement**

### **A Penitential Order**

*Presider* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* **Glory to God forever and ever.**

*The Presider says a sentence of scripture as a call to repentance.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is observed, then the Presider and People say together*

**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 Priest alone stands and says*

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

**Amen.**

**Song of Praise**

**Halle, Halle, Hallelujah**

**Gospel Acclamation**

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

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## The Collect of the Day

BCP 228

*The Presider says to the people*

*Presider*        The Lord be with you.

*People*         **And also with you.**

*Presider*        Let us pray.

## The Lessons

### THE FIRST LESSON

**EZEKIEL 17:22-24**

Thus says the Lord God:

I myself will take a sprig

from the lofty top of a cedar;

I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one

from the topmost of its young twigs;

I myself will plant it

on a high and lofty mountain.

On the mountain height of Israel

I will plant it,

in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,

and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;

in the shade of its branches will nest

winged creatures of every kind.

All the trees of the field shall know

that I am the Lord.

I bring low the high tree,

I make high the low tree;

I dry up the green tree  
and make the dry tree flourish.

I the Lord have spoken;  
I will accomplish it.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

## **PSALM 92:1-4,11-14**

- 1 It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, \*  
and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;  
2 To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning \*  
and of your faithfulness in the night season;  
3 On the psaltery, and on the lyre, \*  
and to the melody of the harp.  
4 For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord; \*  
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.  
11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, \*  
and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.  
12 Those who are planted in the house of the Lord \*  
shall flourish in the courts of our God;  
13 They shall still bear fruit in old age; \*  
they shall be green and succulent;  
14 That they may show how upright the Lord is, \*  
my Rock, in whom there is no fault.

## **THE SECOND LESSON**

## **2 CORINTHIANS 5:6-10,[11-13],14-17**

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with

the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

[Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.] For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

**Gospel Hymn                      We Walk by Faith, and Not by Sight                      Gather 680**

*The people stand as they are able.*

## **THE GOSPEL**

**MARK 4:26-34**

*Presider* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and

becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

*Presider*    The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **Sermon**

**The Rev. Joseph Peters-Mathews**

*There will be a period of reflection and silence after the sermon. The people stand as they are able.*

## **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:  
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.

### **The Prayers of the People**

*Please respond to the bidding, "Look kindly upon thy children, O Lord." with "And hear our prayers." The Presider says a collect to conclude the prayers.*

## **The Peace**

### **Offertory Sentence**

#### **A Prayer Conspicuously Placed in Absence of The Great Thanksgiving during the Great Pandemic**

*The Presider begins*

Let us pray.

Lord, you have taught us to seek you and to find you in the bread and the wine of your table ... And so we lament:

*All say*

**Turn to me and have mercy,  
for I am lonely and oppressed.  
Hear my prayer and my cry;  
be not silent at my tears.**

*The Presider continues*

For surely, Lord, we are not alone ... Our flesh is now yours, shaped for these days in which we are living.

Nourished by Christ,  
**teach us also to be broken with Christ  
and shared with this hungry world.**

Soften our hearts and strengthen our resolve ... one God, now and forever.

**AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**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 forever. Amen.

## **The Blessing**

## **Announcements**

## **Closing Hymn**

## **The Church's One Foundation**

**Gather 742**

## **The Dismissal**

*Presider* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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





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