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MORNING PRAYER II
THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
~Psalm 105:3

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Opening Acclamation

(BCP Page 78)

Officiant

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ ~ *Philippians 1:2*

Confession of Sin

(BCP Page 79)

Officiant says to the people

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

(BCP Page 80)

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 Invitatory and Psalter

(BCP Pages 80-81)

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.*

Pause.

Officiant:

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting: Come let us adore him.

(BCP Page 81)

Venite Psalm 95:1-7

(BCP Page 82)

Officiant and People

Come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth,

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it,

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Psalm 105: 1-6, 37-45

(BCP Pages 738, 740-741)

1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.

2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous works.

3 Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

4 Search for the LORD and his strength; *
continually seek his face.

5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
O children of Jacob his chosen.

37 He led out his people with silver and gold; *
in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.

38 Egypt was glad of their going, *
because they were afraid of them.

39 He spread out a cloud for a covering *
and a fire to give light in the night season.

40 They asked, and quails appeared, *
and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.

41 He opened the rock, and water flowed, *
so the river ran in the dry places.

42. For God remembered his holy word *
and Abraham his servant.

43 So he led forth his people with gladness, *
his chosen with shouts of joy.

44 He gave his people the lands of the nations, *
and they took the fruit of others' toil,

45 That they might keep his statutes *
and observe his laws.

Hallelujah!

*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.*

THE LESSONS

A Reading from Exodus 16:2-15

Officiant and People

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"


In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.


Officiant: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*


Hymn: We Will Extol You, Ever Blessed Lord

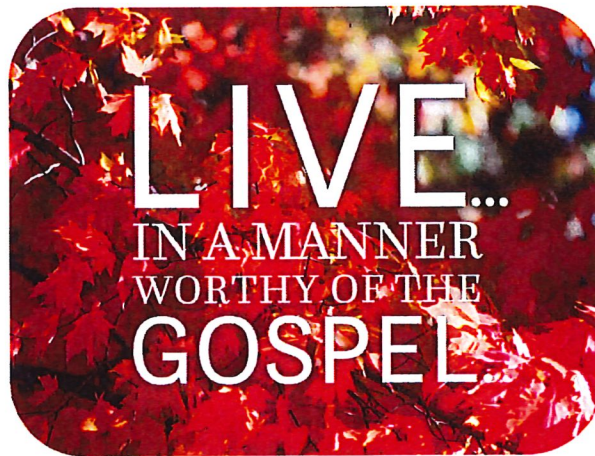
(Hymn 404)


1. We will ex - tol you, ev - er - bless - ed Lord; your ho - ly
2. Age shall to age pass on the end - less song, tell - ing the
3. You, Lord, are gra - cious, mer - ci - ful to all, close to your


1. Name for ev - er be a - dored; each day we live our
2. won - ders which to you be - long, your might - y acts with
3. chil - dren when on you they call; and slow to an - ger,


1. psalm to you we raise; you, God and King, are wor - thy of all
2. joy and fear re - late; praise we your glo - ry while on you we
3. mer - ci - ful and kind, in your com - pas - sion we your bless - ings


1. praise, great and un - search - a - ble in all your ways.
2. wait, glad in the know - ledge of your love so great.
3. find. We love you with our heart and strength and mind.



A Reading from Philippians 1:21-30

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

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A Reading from Philippians 1:21-30

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-- since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Officiant The word of the Lord.

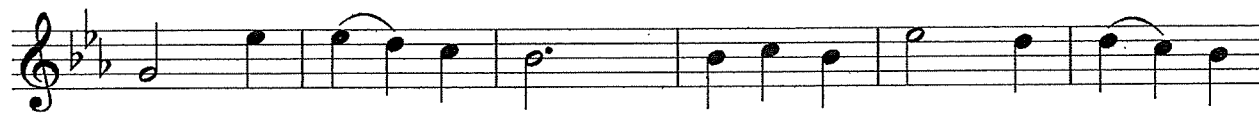
People *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn: O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

(Hymn 660)



1. O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee in low - ly
2. Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
3. Teach me thy pa - tience; still with thee in clos - er,
4. in hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the



1. paths of ser - vice free; tell me thy se - cret; help me
2. win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward feet to
3. dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith sweet and
4. fu - ture's broad - ening way, in peace that on - ly thou canst



1. bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
2. stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
3. strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
4. give, with thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

A Reading from Matthew 20:1-16

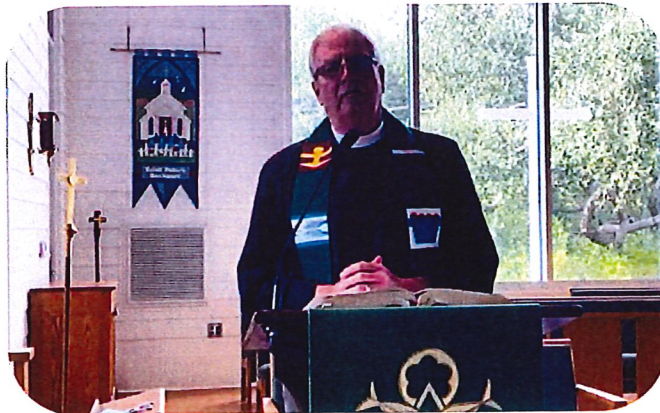
Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Officiant: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

A Reflection

The Reverend Jim Friedel



Apostles' Creed

(BCP Page 96)

*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

(BCP Page 97)

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Officiant Let us pray.

*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.*

Suffrage B

(BCP Page 98)

- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
R. *Govern and uphold them, now and always.*
- V. Day by day we bless you;
R. *We praise your Name for ever.*
- V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
R. *Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.*
- V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
R. *For we put our trust in you.*
- V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
R. *And we shall never hope in vain.*

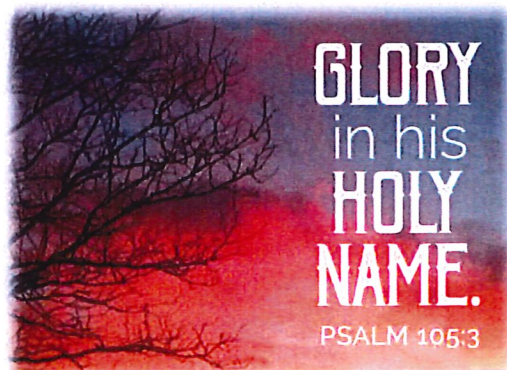
The Collect of the Day: Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~Proper 20 (BCP Page 234)

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.*

A Collect for Renewal of Life

(BCP Page 99)

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



A Collect For the Nation

(BCP Page 258)

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

A Collect For the Mission of the Church

(BCP Page 257)

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you, bring the nations into your fold, pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A time of silence is offered as an opportunity for us to reflect on our petitions and thanksgivings.

The Collect at the Prayers

(BCP Page 395)

The Officiant says

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Offertory

(BCP Page 376)

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

A Prayer of Spiritual Communion

Officiant and People

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

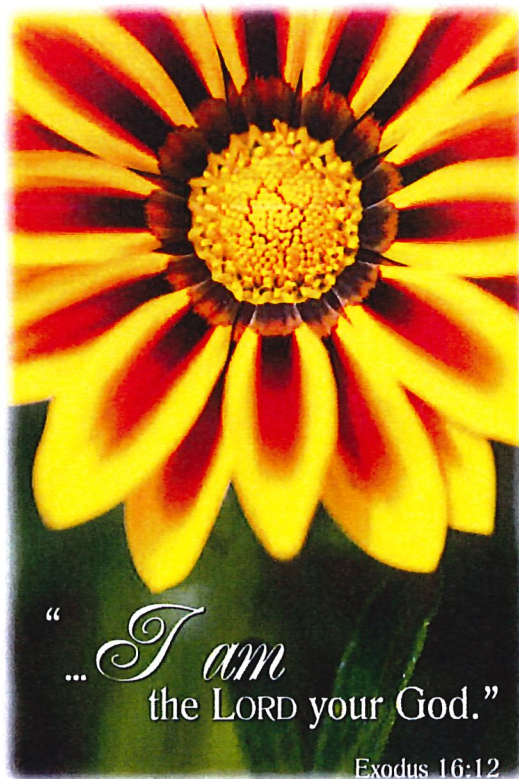
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Officiant

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*



Hymn: Singing Songs Of Expectation

(Hymn #527)



1. Sing - ing songs of ex - pec - ta - tion, on - ward goes the pil - grim band,
2. One the light of God's own pres - ence, o'er his ran - somed peo - ple shed,
3. One the strain the lips of thou - sands lift as from the heart of one;



1. through the night of doubt and sor - row, march - ing to the prom - ised land.
2. chas - ing far the gloom and ter - ror, bright - ening all the path we tread:
3. one the con - flict, one the per - il, one the march in God be - gun:



1. Clear be - fore us through the dark - ness gleams and burns the guid - ing light:
2. one the ob - ject of our jour - ney, one the faith which nev - er tires,
3. one the glad - ness of re - joic - ing on the far e - ter - nal shore,



1. trust - ing God we march to - geth - er step - ping fear - less through the night.
2. one the ear - nest look - ing for - ward, one the hope our God in - spires.
3. where the one al - might - y Fa - ther reigns in love for ev - er - more.

The Blessing

May 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, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Officiant

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen* ~2 Corinthians 13:14

ALL THINGS BRIGHT & BEAUTIFUL

September
Birthdays
this week



Happy birthday to: Lynn Wildman and Freddie Garcia on the 21st; Larry Heidt on the 23rd; Peggy Friebele and Mary Sherman on the 24th, Betsy Farmer Pierce on the 25th; and Graham Wilson on the 26th.

Anne & Bill Page got some rejuvenation when their youngest daughter and her family came for a Labor Day visit!



Fun in the sun AND the sand...
Doesn't our Myra Kline look like she is enjoying life while on vacation in White Sands, NM?



Lilly Seidel was excited to return to school to see her teacher and her friends!