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MORNING PRAYER II
THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 27, 2020



"To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you..."

~Psalm 25:1-8

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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 78:1-4, 12-16

(BCP Pages 694-696)

1 Hear my teaching, O my people; *

incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

2 I will open my mouth in a parable; *

I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

3 That which we have heard and known,

and what our forefathers have told us, *

we will not hide from their children.

4 We will recount to generations to come

the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, *

and the wonderful works he has done.

12 He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, *

in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.

13 He split open the sea and let them pass through; *

he made the waters stand up like walls.

14 He led them with a cloud by day, *

and all the night through with a glow of fire.

15 He split the hard rocks in the wilderness *

and gave them drink as from the great deep.

16 He brought streams out of the cliff, *

and the waters gushed out like rivers.

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

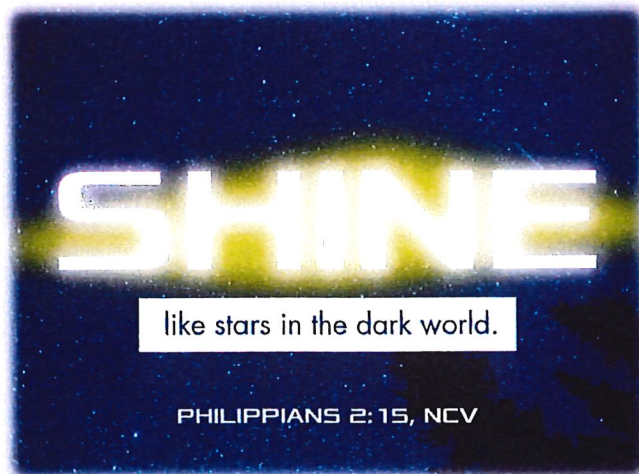
A Reading from Exodus 17:1-7

Officiant and People

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Officiant: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*





1. Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in
 2. Should my tears for ev - er flow, should my zeal no lan-guor
 3. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in



1. thee; let the wa - ter and the blood from thy
 2. know, all for sin could not a - tone: thou must
 3. death, when I rise to worlds un - known and be-



1. wound - ed side that flowed, be of sin the dou - ble
 2. save, and thou a - lone; in my hand no price I
 - 3. hold thee on thy throne, Rock of a - ges, cleft for



1. cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.
 2. bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling.
 3. me, let me hide my - self in thee.

A Reading from Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
 did not regard equality with God
 as something to be exploited,
 but emptied himself,
 taking the form of a slave,
 being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
 he humbled himself
 and became obedient to the point of death--
 even death on a cross.

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A Reading from Philippians 2:1-13

Therefore God also highly exalted him
 and gave him the name
 that is above every name,
 so that at the name of Jesus
 every knee should bend,
 in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
 and every tongue should confess
 that Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father.

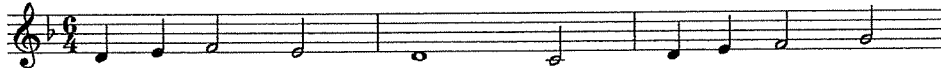
Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence,
 but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and
 trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work
 for his good pleasure.

Officiant The word of the Lord.

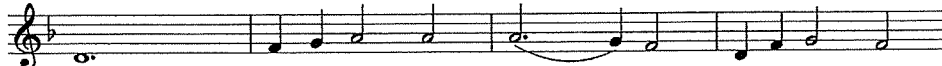
People *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn: At the Name of Jesus

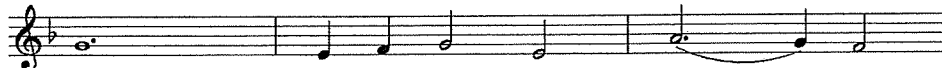
(Hymn 435, vs 1-4)



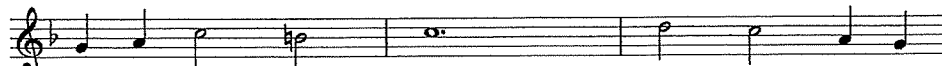
1. At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall
 2. Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a
 3. bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man
 4. Name him, Chris - tians, name him, with love strong as



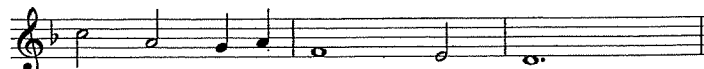
1. bow, ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry
 2. Name from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he
 3. light, through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral
 4. death, name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed



1. now; 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure
 2. came, faith - ful - ly he bore it
 3. height, to the throne of God - head,
 4. breath; he is God the Sa - vior,



1. we should call him Lord, who from the be-
 2. spot - less to the last, brought it back vic-
 3. to the Fa - ther's breast; filled it with the
 4. he is Christ the Lord, ev - er to be



- 1. gin - ning was the might - y Word.
 - 2. to - rious, when from death he passed;
 3. glo - ry of that per - fect rest.
 4. wor - shipped, trust - ed, and a - dored.

A Reading from Matthew 21:23-32

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

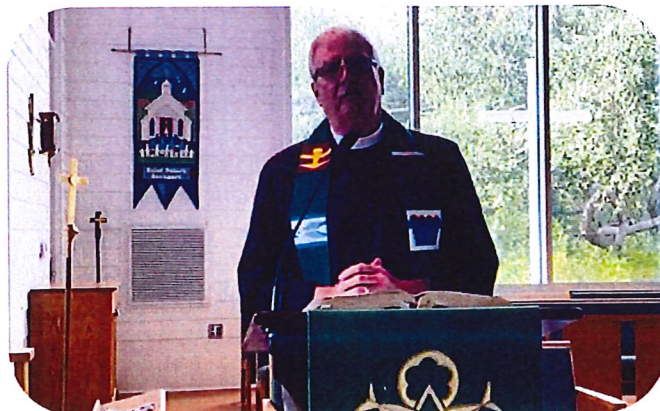
"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

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: Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost ~Proper 21 (BCP Page 234)

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer For in the Morning

(BCP Page 461)

This is another day, O Lord. I know not what it will bring forth, but make me ready, Lord, for whatever it may be. If I am to stand up, help me to stand bravely. If I am to sit still, help me to sit quietly. If I am to lie low, help me to do it patiently. And if I am to do nothing, let me do it gallantly. Make these words more than words, and give me the Spirit of Jesus. *Amen.*



A Collect For Stewardship of Creation

(BCP Page 259)

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

A Collect For the Mission of the Church

(BCP Page 257)

O God of all the nations of the earth: Remember the multitudes who have been created in your image but have not known the redeeming work of our Savior Jesus Christ; and grant that, by the prayers and labors of your holy Church, they may be brought to know and worship you as you have been revealed in your Son; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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

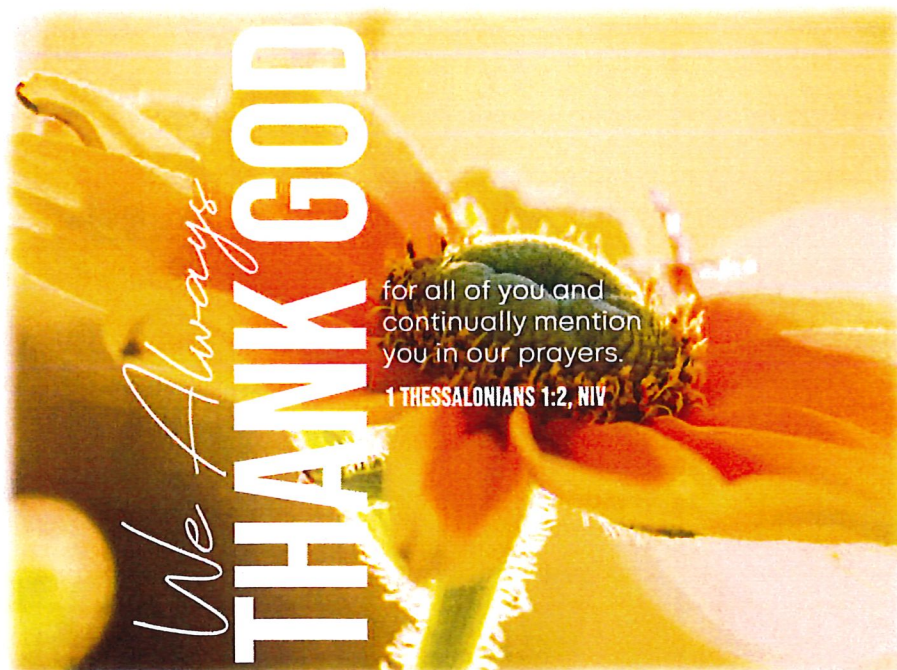
In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today 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

(BCP Page 102)

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.*



Hymn: Shepherd of Souls, Refresh & Bless

(Hymn #343)



1. Shep-herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen pil - grim flock
2. We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy word of grace,
3. Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not then de - part;
4. Lord, sup with us in love di - vine, thy Bo - dy and thy Blood,



1. with man - na in the wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
2. in strength of which we trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
3. Sa - vior, a - bide with us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
4. that liv - ing bread, that heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

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 now and evermore. *Amen* ~2 Corinthians 13:14



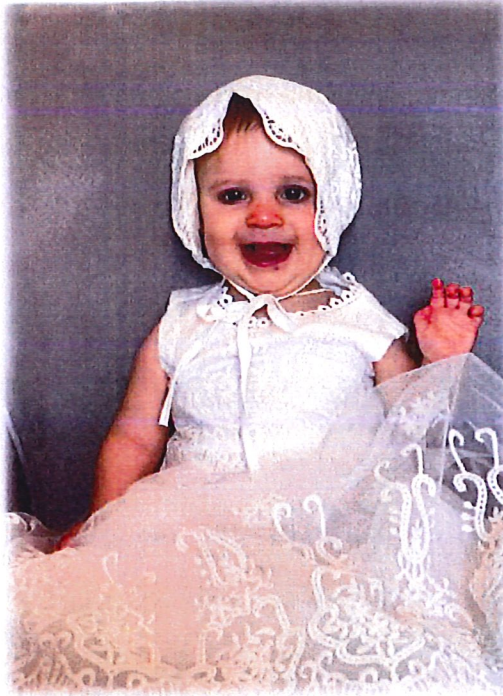
ALL THINGS BRIGHT & BEAUTIFUL



Happy birthday to: Pinky Gonzalez on September 27th and SE Kelly on September 29th.
AND
Happy anniversary to Katie & Justin Holt on September 27th and Connie & Jim Myers on October 2nd.

"Lucy in the Sky"

This picture of the rare leucistic ruby-throated "white" hummingbird was captured by photographer John Martell at the home belonging to a friend of St. Peter's.



Isn't she lovely, isn't she beautiful...
Becky & John Warren were able to celebrate granddaughter Grace's baptism. Bishop Reed along with other family members enjoyed this very special occasion.



"It's raining cats & dogs!"
Diana Severino-Saxon and Dodi Dix have fun while doing their part in helping keep others safe.

