

# **The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

## **Sunday, September 26, 2021**

### **The Liturgy of the Word**

#### **Choral Introit**

*All stand as are able*

**Processional Hymn: H-8      Morning has broken      *Bunessan***

**Morning has broken like the first morning  
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**

**Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven  
Like the first dewfall on the first grass  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden  
Sprung in completeness where his feet pass**

**Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning  
Born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's recreation of the new day!**

*Presider*      Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People*      **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

**Gloria      Glory to you**

**Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.**

**Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

**Glory to you, beholding the depth; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.**

**Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

#### **The Collect of the Day**

*Presider*      The Lord be with you.

*People*      **And also with you.**

*Presider*      Let us pray.

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.*

*Please be seated for the lessons*

## **First Lesson**

**read by Erin McNaughton**

A reading from the book of Numbers.

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.”

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,’ to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.”

So the Lord said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord’s people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!”

*After the reading*

*Reader*           The word of the Lord.

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

## **Psalm 19:7-14**

**read in unison**

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \*

the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \*

the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; \*

the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.  
By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.  
Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.  
Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.  
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

## **Second Lesson**                      **read by Karan Merry**

A reading from the letter of James.

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

*After the reading*

*Reader*            The word of the Lord.

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

*All stand for the Gospel procession and reading*

**Sequence Hymn:**                      **Halle Halle Halle**

## **The Holy Gospel**

*Before the Gospel*

*Deacon*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark.

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

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if

your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

*Deacon*           The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **The Sermon**

*Please stand and say together*

### **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                      led by Tom Rigney**

Loving God, You are our Creator and Sustainer.

When You open Your hand, You satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.

And so we look to You whenever we are in need,  
trusting in Your love and Your abundant goodness.

As You once fed the hungry crowds with five loaves and two small fish,  
we ask that You would again fill those who are empty this day.

Pour out Your Spirit on all who hunger and thirst.

We pray for those who are physically hungry—whose stomachs are empty.  
We think especially of the people in our country and across the world  
who are facing critical food shortages;  
    who are suffering the effects of malnutrition and starvation;  
    and watching helplessly as loved ones die.

We pray for those who are empty emotionally—  
who are lonely and long for companionship and love,  
    who are caught in the grip of depression, or overwhelmed with grief.

We pray for those who are spiritually empty—  
who are troubled, but don't know where to turn;  
    who long for purpose and meaning, but don't know where to look;  
    who need You, but do not yet know You.

God, we praise You for Your abundant gifts in our lives.  
Pour out Your Spirit on us as well.  
Fill us with Your compassion and love,  
so that we would willingly share some of our abundance  
with those who have need.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,  
who came so that all of humanity might come to know  
the abundant life that comes from You.

Dear people of God for whom and for what do you pray?

*You are invited to speak your intercessions aloud or to type them in the chat.*

### **The Confession of Sin & Absolution**

*Presider*      Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

*All*            **Almighty God, Source of all that is, Giver of every good gift:**

**You create all people in your image and call us to love one another as you love us.**

**We confess that we have failed to honor you in the great diversity of the human family. We have desired to live in freedom,**

**while building walls between ourselves and others.**

**We have longed to be known and accepted for who we are,**

**while making judgements of others based on the color of skin, or the shape of features, or the varieties of human experience.**

**We have tried to love our neighbors individually**

while yet benefitting from systems that hold those same neighbors in oppression.  
**Forgive us, Holy God.**  
**Give us eyes to see you as you are revealed in all people.**  
**Strengthen us for the work of reconciliation rooted in love.**  
**Restore us in your image, to be beloved community,**  
**united in our diversity,**  
**even as you are one with Christ and the Spirit,**  
**Holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever.**  
**Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Presider*      The Peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*All*              **And also with you!**

### **The Holy Communion**

*This is God's Table: all are welcome*

### **Offertory Anthem**

*Please stand*

### **Doxology**

*Old Hundredth*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;**  
**praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### **The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A**

*Preside*      The Lord be with you.

*People*      **And also with you.**

*Presider*    Lift up your hearts.

*People*      **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider*    Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*      **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Presider and People sing together*

**The Sanctus LEVAS II 255** (*Mass for a Soulful People*)

Grayson Warren Brown

**Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.**

**Heaven and earth are filled with your glory, Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, of the Lord.**

**Hosanna, in the highest, hosanna in the highest**

*The Presider continues,*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Presider continues,*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

**The Lord's Prayer LEVAS II 264**

A.H. Malotte

**Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*Please remain standing and sing together*

**Fraction Anthem**

S. Shull

**We who are many, are one body,**

**For we all share in the one bread,**

**we all share in the one bread.**

*Please remain standing*

**Invitation to Communion**

These are the gifts for God for all of us, the people of God. Let us take them in remembrance that Christ died for us and feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**Communion Anthem Let Us Break Bread Together**

1. Let us break bread together on our knees,
2. Let us drink wine together on our knees....
3. Let us praise God together on our knees....

**When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord have mercy on me.**

*All stand, and say together*

**Post Communion Prayer**

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn: H-438**

**Tell Out, My Soul**

*Woodlands*

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;  
Tender to me the promise of his word;  
In God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.**

**Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!  
Firm in his promise, and his mercy sure  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
To children's children and for evermore!**

**Parting Prayer** *sung to the tune of Edelweiss*

**May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever,  
bind your heart to his heart with a bond that nothing can sever.  
Give you light on the uphill road and courage in every endeavor.  
May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever.**

**The Dismissal**

*Deacon* Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia!  
*People* Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!



## **Weekly Announcements**

### **Funeral Service for Ron Metzler**

Join us Saturday, October 2nd at 11am for the funeral of our beloved friend Ron Metzler. All are welcome to come celebrate his life.

### **Blessing of the Animals**

Sunday, October 3rd<sup>th</sup> we will bless all the animals at 11:30am on the lawn, weather permitting!

**Prayer requests**— if you would like Mothers Sarah and Kimberlee to pray for a thanksgiving or a concern, please email them at: [info@holypostlesbrooklyn.com](mailto:info@holypostlesbrooklyn.com)