



ST PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Joyfully Sharing God's Love, with
each other and our community.*

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY

AFTER PENTECOST

PROPER 20B

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021 – 10:00 AM

PRELUDE HYMN 379

God is Love

Choir

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

*Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit
and blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 390

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Choir

COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

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.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

GLORIA

BCP 356

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you; we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

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.

FIRST READING *(The people may be seated for the readings)*

Proverbs 31:10-31

A capable wife who can find?
She is far more precious than jewels.
The heart of her husband trusts in her,
and he will have no lack of gain.
She does him good, and not harm,
all the days of her life.
She seeks wool and flax,
and works with willing hands.
She is like the ships of the merchant,
she brings her food from far away.
She rises while it is still night
and provides food for her household
and tasks for her servant-girls.
She considers a field and buys it;
with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard.
She girds herself with strength,
and makes her arms strong.
She perceives that her merchandise is profitable.
Her lamp does not go out at night.
She puts her hands to the distaff,
and her hands hold the spindle.
She opens her hand to the poor,
and reaches out her hands to the needy.
She is not afraid for her household when it snows,
for all her household are clothed in crimson.
She makes herself coverings;
her clothing is fine linen and purple.
Her husband is known in the city gates,
taking his seat among the elders of the land.
She makes linen garments and sells them;
she supplies the merchant with sashes.

Strength and dignity are her clothing,
and she laughs at the time to come.
She opens her mouth with wisdom,
and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.
She looks well to the ways of her household,
and does not eat the bread of idleness.
Her children rise up and call her happy;
her husband too, and he praises her:
“Many women have done excellently,
but you surpass them all.”
Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain,
but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.
Give her a share in the fruit of her hands,
and let her works praise her in the city gates.
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
**nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!**
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

SECOND READING

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing

to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 698

Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ

Choir

GOSPEL

(Please All Stand.)

Mark 9:30-37

*The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, “Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.” *The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

SERMON

NICENE CREED

Please Stand.

BCP 358

**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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Don't let your body lead you into sin and risk exchanging eternal life for eternal punishment.
Conscious of our need for God's power in our lives, our Church, and our world, let us pray to him
now.*

Father, as you have called us to be salt, give us the courage to reject sin and evil in our lives and in the corporate life of the Church. May our churches be powerhouses of your Spirit, training and upholding us as we live your life in the world. Grant the Church an increase in vocations to the ordained ministry and religious life. Your Law, O Lord, is perfect: **it revives the soul.**

Father, we pray for a greater awareness of what damages souls and encourages evil, and for widespread commitment to addressing the danger. We pray for all who earn their living through selling what destroys lives. Your Law, O Lord, is perfect: **it revives the soul.**

Father, we pray for the young, and the vulnerable in every community, for all in positions of trust, for child-minders, playgroups, and schools, for children's clubs and other organizations, for loving nurture and protection from all evil. Your Law, O Lord, is perfect: **it revives the soul.**

Father, we pray for all long-term caregivers and those they look after, for all who are having to learn dependence gracefully, and those who are imprisoned by their guilt. Work your healing love in all our sick may they experience your healing love, especially all on the Parish Intercession List and those we name silently or out loud (*pause*); we pray for the members of our armed forces serving at home and abroad. Your Law, O Lord, is perfect: **it revives the soul.**

Father, we pray that no one may be lost eternally, that all may turn from their sin and trust your mercy; that physical death may be but the gate to heaven. We commend to your love those who have recently died and those we name silently or out loud (*pause*). Your Law, O Lord, is perfect: **it revives the soul.**

Father, we offer you our thanks and praise for sins forgiven, and the joy of walking through life in your company. Give your blessings to all who celebrate birthdays, and those celebrate wedding anniversaries. Your Law, O Lord, is perfect: **it revives the soul.**

We are thirsty, O merciful God; give us a cup of water to drink. Hear our prayers and answer our cries of need through your Son, Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (Silence is kept.)

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.

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.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN 397

Now, Thank We All Our God

Choir

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

All things come from you, O Lord,
And of Your own have we given to you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING —

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise

Celebrant: *It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven, and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angeles and Archangels and with all*

the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

SANCTUS *Spoken*

BCP 367

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Power and Might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

+ **Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord.**

Hosanna in the highest

Celebrant: 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 in 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:

Celebrant and People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: 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 forever.

Amen

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

LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

Our Father, who 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 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 COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. Receive the Consecrated Bread in open hands. If you are not able to receive communion, we invite you to come forward for a blessing. At the time of communion, simply come forward to the rail, cross your arms in front of your chest and the priest will give you a blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN (WLP 789) *Peace Among Earth's People* *Choir*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *The people may stand or kneel.*

Let us pray: God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy,
Has always protected you, and loves you as a mother.
Go in peace to follow the good road and
May God's blessing be with you always.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 477 *All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O Love Divine*

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE 597 *O Day of Peace that Dimly Shines* *Choir*

REGULAR WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

TUESDAYS AT 6:00 PM — EVENING PRAYER (*Online only*)

THURSDAYS AT 6:00 PM — COMPLINE (*Online only*)

SUNDAYS 10:00 AM — RITE II

(Online & In person—masked and socially distant)

Bishop's Committee

Helenor Webb, Bishop's Warden

David Cahall, People's Warden

Linda Good, Member & Secretary/Treasurer

Kari Davis, Member

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