

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Mass ~ Rite II ~ Year A

September 20, 2026, 10:30 a.m. & 4:00p.m.

Opening Voluntary

Introit: *Salus pópuli*
I AM the saving health of my people, saith the Lord God: out of whatsoever tribulation they shall pray to me,
I will surely help them, and I will be their God for ever and ever.
Hear my law, O my people: incline your ears unto the words of my mouth. Glory be...

[standing]

Processional Hymn “Singing songs of expectation!” Hymnal 527

Opening Salutation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

Collect for Purity

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.**

Gloria in Excelsis [Sung at 10:30 a.m. Music in the pews.]

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 of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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



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[seated]

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

A musical score for the song 'The Rose Tree'. It features a treble and bass staff with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The music is in 4/4 time and consists of 16 measures. The melody starts on a whole note G#4, followed by a half note A#4, and then a quarter note B4. The bass line starts on a whole note G#2, followed by a half note A#2, and then a quarter note B2. The music ends with a double bar line.

- Scripture readings are from the New Revised Standard Version.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

“Come, labor on”

Hymnal 541

The Dismissal

BCP 366

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Concluding Voluntary

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.

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 [Sungat 10:30 a.m. Hymnal S119.]

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us your peace.*

If you have been baptized with water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; you are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

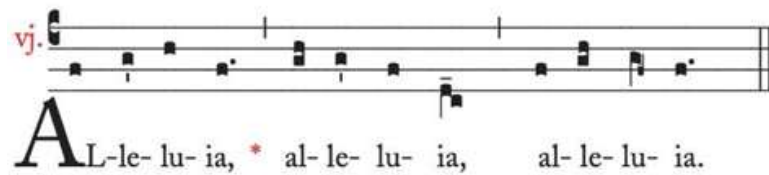
Communion Hymn “O Food to pilgrims given” Hymnal 309

BCP 365-6

Celebrant and People

8 The LORD is gracious and ¹full of com¹passion, *
slow to ¹anger and of ¹gr¹eat ¹kindness.

The Sequence Hymn “O Master, let me walk with thee” Hymnal 660



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✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Saint Matthew 20:1-16

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon [Seated.]

The Nicene Creed [Stand as able.]

The Prayers of the People (Form II) [Kneel as able.]

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession and Absolution

The Peace

Fr. Benjamin George-Thoms

Prayer Book 358

Prayer Book 385

Prayer Book 360

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: *And also with you.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory
Verse: *THOUGH I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shall thou refresh me, O Lord: thou shalt stretch forth thy right hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.*

Anthem:

Ave Verum Corpus

Hail, true body
born of the Virgin Mary,
Who truly suffered, sacrificed
on the Cross for man,
Whose pierced side overflowed
with water and blood,*
Be for us a foretaste
In the test of death.

Geoff Weaver

Hymn:

“Rise up, ye saints of God”

Hymnal 551

The Great Thanksgiving

The Eucharistic Prayer (Prayer A)

Prayer Book 361

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: *And also with you.*
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

[Kneel as able.]
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.
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:

Sanctus and Benedictus: Holy, holy, holy [Sung at 10:30 a.m. Music in the pew.]
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

[Kneel as able, stand.]
The Celebrant 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.

At the following words, the Celebrant holds or lays a hand upon the bread; and at the words concerning the cup, he holds or lays a hand upon the cup or any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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.”

Memorial Acclamation Therefore we proclaim the mystery the faith:
Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant



There - fore we pro - claim the mys - ter - y of faith:

Celebrant and People



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.