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- The liturgy is taken from The Book of Common Prayer-

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021 11:00 AM

Song of Entrance: **“All Praise to Thee, For Thou, O King Divine”**

Engelberg

PRESIDER: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

PRESIDER: 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.

PRESIDER: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

PRESIDER: 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 Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON – 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.

READER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 1

Antiphon

Text: David Gambrell, 2009

Music: "O Waly Waly"

The musical score is written in 3/2 time and G major. It consists of two staves. The first staff contains the melody with lyrics underneath. The second staff contains the accompaniment with chords written above it. The lyrics are: "How hap-py are the saints of God who do not heed the wic- ked way; de-light-ing in the ho-ly Word they seek God's wis - dom night and day." The chords in the second staff are: Am, Dm, Bb, Csus, C7sus, Fsus, F.

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- 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.

Antiphon

THE GOSPEL – MARK 9:30-37

PRESIDER: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

PEOPLE: **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."

PRESIDER: The Gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE MESSAGE

THE 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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER LEADER: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

PRAYER LEADER: For all people in their daily life and work;
PEOPLE: **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

PRAYER LEADER: For this community, the nation, and the world;
PEOPLE: **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

PRAYER LEADER: For the just and proper use of your creation;
PEOPLE: **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

PRAYER LEADER: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
PEOPLE: **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

PRAYER LEADER: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
PEOPLE: **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

PRAYER LEADER: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Susan, Jennifer and Porter, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;
PEOPLE: **For all who serve God in his Church.**

PRAYER LEADER: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

PEOPLE: Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

PRAYER LEADER: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

PEOPLE: We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

PRAYER LEADER: We pray for all who have died, that they may have
a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

PEOPLE: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

PRAYER LEADER: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our
sins.

Silence

PEOPLE: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

ALL: **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins, known
and unknown, things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may
live and serve you in newness of life, to the
honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

PRESIDER: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all
your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power
of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

PRESIDER: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

INVITATION TO PRESENT YOUR OFFERINGS

Song of Offering: **“Speak, O Lord”**

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

PRESIDER: 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 him thanks and praise.**

PRESIDER: 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 Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.**

PRESIDER: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say . . .

ALL: **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.**

PRESIDER: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

PEOPLE: **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

PRESIDER: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

Song of the Table: **“We All Bow Down”** LeBlanc

PRESIDER: Let us pray.

ALL: **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Song of Dismissal: **“Mighty to Save”** Morgan/Fielding

PRESIDER: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

Thanks be to God
for all the GOOD, including...

For the 25 people who were confirmed
or received into the Episcopal Church
by Bishop Goff yesterday at Christ
Church!

Fall into a new Season of Small Groups!

Monday Morning Men's Bible Study
Monday, 7:30-8:30 AM
Online

Deep Dive Bible Study
Mondays, 6:30-8:00 PM
In person in the CCE Library and Online

Monday Evening Compline
Monday, 9:00 PM
Online

Tuesday Brown Bag Lunch
Tuesdays, 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM
In person in the CCE Parlor

Wednesday Morning Eucharist
Wednesdays, 8:00 AM
In person in the CCE Sanctuary some weeks and Online every week

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study
Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30 AM
In person in the CCE Parlor

Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study

Thursday, 9:30-11:30 AM
In person in the CCE Library

Thursday Evening Men's Drop-In Fellowship
Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 PM
In person and Online

Men's Friday Morning Bible Study
Fridays, 7:00-8:15 AM
In person in the CCE Parlor

Gathering Details
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Growing Deeper; and Serving Others.

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