

# *The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*

Sunday, July 24, 2022 at 9 o'clock in the morning

*~Outdoors on the Labyrinth~*

## **The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two**

Prelude

*Hanover*

Penny Rodriguez

### **THE WORD OF GOD**

Opening Acclamation:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

### **The 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.*

Lord have mercy.

*People Christ have mercy.*

Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant The Lord be with you.*

*People And also with you.*

*Celebrant Let us pray.*

### **The Collect for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost:**

*O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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: Genesis 18:20-32**

Then the Lord said to Abraham, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord.

Then Abraham came near and said, “Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?” And the Lord said, “If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.” Abraham answered, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?” And he said, “I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.” Again he spoke to him, “Suppose forty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of forty I will not do it.” Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.” He answered, “I will not do it, if I find thirty there.” He said, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.” Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*Thanks be to God.*

## **Psalm 138**

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; \*  
before the gods I will sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup>I will bow down toward your holy temple  
and praise your Name, \*  
because of your love and faithfulness;

<sup>3</sup>For you have glorified your Name \*  
and your word above all things.

<sup>4</sup>When I called, you answered me; \*  
you increased my strength within me.

<sup>5</sup>All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, \*  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.

<sup>6</sup>They will sing of the ways of the Lord, \*  
that great is the glory of the Lord.

<sup>7</sup>Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; \*  
he perceives the haughty from afar.

<sup>8</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \*  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand shall save me.

<sup>9</sup>The Lord will make good his purpose for me; \*  
O Lord, your love endures for ever;  
do not abandon the works of your hands.

## **The Gospel**

**Luke 11:1-13**

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” He said to them, “When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.” And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**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**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Alan and Gayle, our Bishops; Martha, our Regional Canon and Sarah, our Interim Priest; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. We pray for the Church of the Good Shepherd, Reading; Saint John's Church, Saugus; Emmanuel Church, Wakefield and The Third Order of the Society of St. Francis.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. We pray for all who are serving in the armed forces, especially Ken Christian, James Daley, Justin Anaya, John Schweizer, Wesley Lefavour, Nic Jacobs, and Sean Kiely and Teddy Libelo. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. We pray for Lily; Chris; Ron Budka; Lloyd Dixon; Kirsten; Patty McGregor; Tatiana; Demetrius Johnson; David Auxer; Peg Zilinsky; Elena; Ronald; Marian; Alison Kemper and family; James and family; Nikki and family; Sandy; Katharine Pearce; Ginny Johnson; Michelle Abell, Bill and Phil; Katie Kiely; Lorraine Legendre; Nancy and Jeff Santora; Ava; Erin; the Estep family; Roberts Apse and family. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for our parish. Grant us the wisdom and grace to do Your will as we seek a new rector. Bless us with clear eyes, listening ears, and discerning minds. Speak to all of our hearts, the hearts of our Search Committee: Mike Bent, Jill Donovan, Dave Estep, Beth Jastrzembki, Beth Kennedy, John Newman, Marguerite Parkman, Ann Weeks; and our parish leadership as we seek a new rector. Help us to discover a mutual path toward fulfilling Your will for us and the community we serve.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially for Eleanor J. and Albert C. Tucker, and for the Bernardini and DeLollis families, for whom our Sanctuary candle burns. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

I invite your prayers and thanksgivings, either silently or aloud.

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

### **Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.*

*Celebrant*

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 Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

## Announcements

Anthem

*For the Bread Which You Have Broken*

Curt Oliver

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

Page 369

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

*Celebrant*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*Glory to you for ever and ever.*

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*By your will they were created and have their being.*

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*By his blood, he reconciled us.*

*By his wounds, we are healed.*

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

*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.*

*Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *Amen.*

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

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*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.*

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant:* Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast. *Alleluia.*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*People should come forward to the celebrant to receive.  
~All Christians of every tradition are welcome to receive Communion~*

## **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

## The Dismissal

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

*People: Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

*I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes*

Penny Rodriguez

*~St. Peter's feeds God's people - all are welcome at our table~*



### **SAINT PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**The Reverend Sarah A. Conner, Interim Priest**

4 Ocean Street. at the corner of Hale. Beverly. Massachusetts.01915

At [stpetersbeverly.org](http://stpetersbeverly.org) and on Facebook. [info@stpetersbeverly.org](mailto:info@stpetersbeverly.org)

