AFTER PENTECOST



PROPER 25 – THE SUNDAY FROM OCTOBER 23 TO OCTOBER 29 (Trinitytide)



OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 14:(1-6)7-10,19-22

(The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah concerning the drought:

- ² "Judah mourns, and her gates languish; her people lament on the ground, and the cry of Jerusalem goes up. ³ Her nobles send their servants for water; they come to the cisterns; they find no water; they return with their vessels empty; they are ashamed and confounded and cover their heads. ⁴ Because of the ground that is dismayed, since there is no rain on the land, the farmers are ashamed; they cover their heads. ⁵ Even the doe in the field forsakes her newborn fawn because there is no grass. ⁶ The wild donkeys stand on the bare heights; they pant for air like jackals; their eyes fail because there is no vegetation.)
- ⁷ "Though our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against you. ⁸ O you hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler who turns aside to tarry for a night? ⁹ Why should you be like a man confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot save? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not leave us."
- ¹⁰ Thus says the LORD concerning this people: "They have loved to

wander thus; they have not restrained their feet; therefore the LORD does not accept them; now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins."

¹⁹ Have you utterly rejected Judah? Does your soul loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We looked for peace, but no good came; for a time of healing, but behold, terror. ²⁰ We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, and the iniquity of our fathers, for we have sinned against you. ²¹ Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. ²² Are there any among the false gods of the nations that can bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Are you not he, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for you do all these things.

Reader: The word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

PSALTER VERSES

(In said services, the psalm verses may be placed between the Epistle and the Gospel, with the congregation standing in preparation for the Gospel. At services where there is a hymn or canticle before the Gospel, the psalm might be said between the Old Testament and Epistle, the people seated.)

Psalm 84

- How lovely are your dwellings, * O LORD God of hosts!
- ² My soul has a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the LORD; *
 - my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- ³ Indeed, the sparrow has found her a house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, *

even your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

- ⁴ Blessed are they who dwell in your house; * they will be always praising you.
- 5 Blessed is the one whose strength is in you, * in whose heart are your ways,
- ⁶ Who going through the valley of misery uses it for a well; * indeed, the early rains fill the pools with water.
- ⁷ They will go from strength to strength, *

- and the God of gods shall be seen by them in Zion.
- ⁸ O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; * hearken, O God of Jacob.
- ⁹ Behold, O God, our defender, * and look upon the face of your Anointed.
- For one day in your courts * is better than a thousand:
- ¹¹I would rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God * than dwell in the tents of ungodliness.
- ¹²For the LORD God is a light and defense; *
 the LORD will give grace and honor, and no good thing shall he withhold from those who live a godly life.
- ¹³O LORD God of hosts, * blessed is the one who puts his trust in you.

New Testament Reading

2 Timothy 4:6-18

For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

⁹ Do your best to come to me soon. ¹⁰ For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry. ¹² Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. ¹³ When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. ¹⁴ Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will repay him according to his deeds. ¹⁵ Beware of him yourself, for he strongly opposed our message. ¹⁶ At my first defense no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! ¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸ The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his

heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Reader: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St.

Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 18:9-14

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: ¹⁰ "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

OFFERTORY AND POST-COMMUNION SENTENCES

(Drawn from verses of Holy Scripture, these sentences are chosen by the celebrant or preacher to reinforce the lessons or teaching of the day.)

PROPER PREFACE

The Lord's Day

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.

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