AFTER PENTECOST



PROPER 14 – THE SUNDAY FROM AUGUST 7 TO AUGUST 13 (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 God, give us the increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you have promised, make us love what you command; 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

Deuteronomy 8:1-10

"The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers. ² And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. 3 And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD. ⁴ Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. ⁵ Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the LORD your God disciplines you. ⁶ So you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. ⁷ For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, 8 a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, 9 a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. ¹⁰ And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

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 34:(1-7)8-15(16-22)

- (¹ I will always give thanks unto the LORD; * his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- My soul shall make its boast in the LORD; * the humble shall hear this and be glad.
- O praise the LORD with me, * and let us magnify his Name together.
- ⁴ I sought the LORD, and he heard me; * he delivered me out of all my fears.
- ⁵ They looked unto him, and were made glad, * and their faces were not ashamed.
- 6 Look, the poor man cries, and the LORD hears him, * and saves him out of all his troubles.
- ⁷ The angel of the LORD camps round about those who fear him, * and delivers them in time of need.)
- O taste and see how gracious the LORD is; * blessed is the one who trusts in him.
- 9 O fear the LORD, you that are his saints; * for those who fear him lack nothing.
- The lions lack and suffer hunger, * but those who seek the LORD shall lack nothing that is good.
- ¹¹ Come, children, and listen to me; *
 I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- ¹² Who among you desires to live, * and longs to see good days?
- ¹³ Keep your tongue from evil, * and your lips from speaking lies.
- ¹⁴ Turn from evil and do good; * seek peace and pursue it.
- ¹⁵ The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, * and his ears are open to their prayers.
- (16 The countenance of the LORD is against those who do evil, * to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.
- ¹⁷ The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them *

- and delivers them out of all their troubles.
- ¹⁸ The LORD is near to those who are brokenhearted * and will save those who are crushed in spirit.
- ¹⁹ Great are the troubles of the righteous, * but the LORD delivers him out of them all.
- ²⁰ He keeps all his bones, *
 so that not one of them is broken.
- ²¹ But evil shall slay the ungodly, * and those who hate the righteous shall be desolate.
- ²² The LORD delivers the souls of his servants, * and all those who put their trust in him shall not be destitute.)

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 4:17-5:2

Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸ They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹ They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰ But that is not the way you learned Christ!— ²¹ assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²² to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³ and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴ and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

²⁵ Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶ Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷ and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸ Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. ²⁹ Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³² Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

5 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ² And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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. John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John 6:37-51

All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. 40 For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day." ⁴¹ So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." 42 They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" 43 Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. 44 No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. 45 It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶ not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

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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