

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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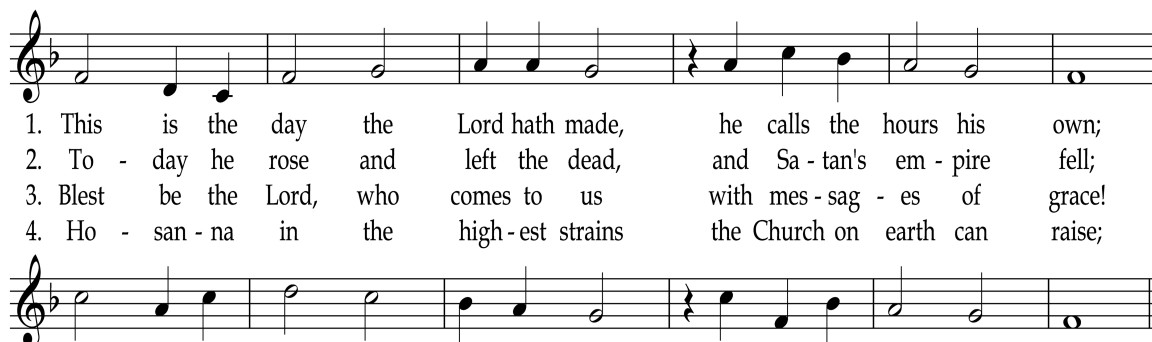
THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider + Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

*Nun danket all
Text: Isaac Watts*



1. This is the day the Lord hath made, he calls the hours his own;
2. To - day he rose and left the dead, and Sa - tan's em - pire fell;
3. Blest be the Lord, who comes to us with mes - sag - es of grace!
4. Ho - san - na in the high - est strains the Church on earth can raise;

let heav'n re - joice, let earth be glad, and praise sur - round the throne.
to - day the saints his tri - umphs spread, and all his won - ders tell.
Who comes, in God his Fa - ther's name, to save our sin - ful race.
the high - est heav'ns in which he reigns shall give him no - bler praise.

THE OPENING COLLECT

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Genesis 50:15-21

Lector A Reading from the Genesis

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also

wept, fell down before him, and said, “We are here as your slaves.” But Joseph said to them, “Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.” In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 103:8-13 *Benedic, anima mea*

Antiphon Larry Tremsky /Chant from St. John's Abbey, Collegeville



The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and of great kindness. He will not always accuse us, nor will he keep his anger for ever. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our wickedness. *Antiphon*

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so is his mercy great upon those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our sins from us. As a father cares for his children, so does the Lord care for those who fear him. *Antiphon*

Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; give me life in your ways. Fulfill your promise to your servant, which you make to those who fear you. *Antiphon*

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 18:21-35

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. “For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were

greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Adam Bucko
Director of the Center for Spiritual Imagination

HYMN

Monk's Gate
Text: Clement of Alexandria

1 Je - sus, our might - y Lord, our strength in sad - ness, —
2 Good shep-herd of your sheep, your own de - fend - ing, —
3 Glo - rious their life who sing, with glad thanks-giv - ing, —
the Fa - ther's con - quering Word, true source of glad - ness; —
in love your chil - dren keep to life un - end - ing. —
true hymns to Christ the King in all their liv - ing: —
your Name we glo - ri - fy, O Je - sus, throned on high;
You are your - self the Way: lead us then day by day
all who con - fess his Name, come then with hearts a - flame;
you gave your - self to die for our sal - va - tion.
in your own steps, we pray, O Lord most ho - ly.
the God of peace ac - claim as Lord and Sa - vior.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Adapted from St. Maria Faustina

Deacon In peace we pray to You, O God.

Silence may be kept.

Intercessor Help us, O Lord, that our eyes may be merciful

People That we may never judge our neighbors

Intercessor Help us, O Lord, that our ears may be merciful

People That we may hear our neighbors needs

Intercessor Help us, O Lord, that our tongues may be merciful

People That we may never speak poorly of our neighbors

Intercessor Help us, O Lord, that our hands may be merciful

People That we may do only good to our neighbors

Intercessor Help us, O Lord, that our feet may be merciful

People That we may hurry to assist our neighbors

Intercessor Help us, O Lord, that our hearts may be merciful

People That we may feel the sufferings of our neighbors

Intercessor Remember in silence our departed brothers and sisters

Intercessor I invite you to offer intercessions and thanksgivings to God either silently or aloud.

Silence may be kept.

Presider May Your mercy, O Lord, rest upon us and our neighbors.

People 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.

CONCLUDING COLLECTS

Presider O God, most high, you are slow to anger and rich in compassion. Keep alive in us the memory of your mercy, that our angers may be calmed and our resentments dispelled. May we discover the forgiveness promised to those who forgive and become a people rich in mercy. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

A Collect for the Elimination of Racism

Presider Good and gracious God, you invite us to recognize and reverence your divine image and likeness in our neighbor. Enable us to see the reality of racism and free us to challenge and uproot it from our society, our world and ourselves. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

The Rev. Dr Sam Wells

Presider God of healing and hope, in Jesus you meet us in our places of pain and fear. Look with mercy on those who have contracted the coronavirus, on any who are vulnerable, and on all who feel in danger. Through this time of global concern, by your Holy Spirit bring out the best not the worst in us. Make us more aware of our interdependence on each other, and of the strength that comes from being one body in you. Through Christ our wounded healer.

People Amen.

THE HYMN

Lauda Anima, John Gross

Text: Henry Lyle, based on Psalm 103



1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To his
2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor To his
3. Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; Well our
4. An - gels, help us to a - dore him; You be -



1. feet thy trib - ute bring; Ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for -
2. chil - dren in dis - tress; Praise him still the same as
3. fee - ble frame he knows; In his hands he gen - tly
4. hold him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be -



1. giv - en, Ev - er - more his prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia!
2. ev - er, Slow to chide and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia!
3. bears us, Res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!
4. fore him, In his ho - ly dwell - ing place. Al - le - lu - ia!



1. Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
2. Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
4. Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

THE BENEDICTION

Presider Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold onto what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint hearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And may the blessing of Almighty God be upon you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and remain with you now and forevermore.

People Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

