

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost • THE BANQUET • September 1, 2019 • 10 am

THE COLLECT

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Sirach 10:12-18

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

THE RESPONSE

Psalm 112

1 Hallelujah!

Happy are they who fear the Lord *
and have great delight in his commandments!

2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
and their righteousness will last for ever.

4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

5 It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.
6 For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right;
they put their trust in the Lord.
8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
9 They have given freely to the poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honor.
10 The wicked will see it and be angry;
they will gnash their teeth and pine away; *
the desires of the wicked will perish.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 14:1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

RECEIVING COMMUNION

The Church believes that in Holy Communion, the Body and Blood of Christ is given to God's people and received by faith. All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome here and invited either to participate in Communion or to receive a blessing. To receive the bread, please hold your hands out in front of you. To receive the wine, help guide the chalice to your lips. If you prefer, you may dip the bread in the wine and then place it in your mouth. If you do not wish to receive the bread and the wine, you are invited to come forward, cross your hands across your chest, and receive a blessing. **Gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request.**

COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

Celebrant In the name of God and on behalf of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

IN THANKSGIVING & MEMORY

WE GIVE THANKS FOR THOSE CELEBRATING:

Birthdays in the next week: Ted Terry, Peter Bekins, Julia Weil, Ginnie Walker, Linda Trebbi, Owen King, Bob Kindel, Ava Glass, Noah Phillips, Quinn Rodway, Jennifer Rodway, William Wasik, Ron Patrick, Sandy Elliott, Catee St. Clair, Molly Babb, Madison Pico, Carol Ewbank.

Anniversaries in the coming week: Kathe & Larry Kissel, Melanie & Chris Slane, Susie & Vere Gaynor, Hollis & Mark Bass, Francie & Russ Morrison.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. Melanie W. J. Slane
<i>Preacher</i>	The Rev. Philip DeVaul
<i>Acolytes</i>	Mike Firesheets, Aaron Gorz
<i>Sacristan</i>	Mark Bass
<i>First Reading</i>	Andrew Cole
<i>Psalmist</i>	Elise Allred
<i>Chalicians</i>	Julie Anne Baur, Andrew Cole
<i>Intercessor</i>	Julie Anne Baur
<i>Healing Prayer</i>	Nina Shaffer
<i>AV</i>	Jackson Baur
<i>Ushers</i>	Lisa Andrews, Ryan Andrews
<i>Greeters</i>	Matthew Carey, Nancy Mackenzie Powell, Carter Kemper
<i>Bankers</i>	Janet Simpkinson, Steve Zimmerman, Michael Staffiera (alt.)
<i>Bread Guild</i>	Kathy Krug, Brian Babb , David Richards
<i>Flower Guild</i>	Melanie Schottelkotte, Christine Bennett, Kathe Kissel, Laurie Maguire
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Missy Darling, Judy Frey, Lisa Frey, Liz Schildknecht, Sharon Smith
<i>Summer Break</i>	Tommy Kirk

