

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost • Rite I Holy Eucharist • October 6, 2019 • 8 am

Our service begins on page 323 in the blue Book of Common Prayer.

THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE FIRST READING

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous - therefore judgment comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

THE RESPONSE

Psalm 37:1-10

1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, *
and like the green grass fade away.

3 Put your trust in the LORD and do good; *
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

4 Take delight in the LORD, *
and he shall give you your heart's desire.

5 Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him, *
and he will bring it to pass.

6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light *
and your just dealing as the noonday.
7 Be still before the LORD *
and wait patiently for him.
8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, *
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
10 For evildoers shall be cut off, *
but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land.

THE SECOND READING

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, to Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table?' Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink?' Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant For love of God and love of neighbor, let us pray for the Church and for the World, saying: In the power of the Holy Spirit, fill us with Life.

Following each petition, the people respond

Fill us with Life.

The Celebrant concludes:

Faithful God, you form and fill us with grace and love. Send us forth from this gathering inspired by Jesus Christ, our everlasting Life. **Amen.**

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: Charles Fellows, Hollis Bass, Jenson Geesner, Joyce Keeshin, Jim Lawrence, Jennifer Manzler, Caroline Millard, Lilli Kirk, Missy Holzman, Patty Hassel, Maggie Gough, Nancy Helton, David Gault, Chris Schulhoff, Dot Haralson, Otto Kindel, Sara Breiel, Stephan Jackson.

Anniversaries in the coming week: Blake & Craig Gustafson, Sarah Sanderson & Ross Bextermueller, Allison & Justin Precht, Millie & Brandon Vatter, Stephanie & Carter Gaither.

The **FLOWERS** that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Alan Rosswag by Janice & Gary Lubin; in loving memory of Carolyn Giesel by the Giesel family; and in thanksgiving for George, Jack, Emma, & Charlie by Anne & John Krug.

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Celebrant & Preacher

The Rev. Melanie W. J. Slane

Lector

Lisa Frey

Lay Reader

David Haffner

Intercessor

Robin Henderson

Bankers

Dick Adams, Janet Simpkinson, Ginnie Walker (alt.)

Bread Guild

Brett Flodder, Cheryl Fast, Ryan Andrews

Flower Guild

Angela Lyman, Christine Bennett, Christy Bornemann, Zule Montgomery

Altar Guild

Ellen Zemke, Judy Frey, Lisa Frey, Kelly Schleker, Sharon Smith

Children's Liturgy

The Rev. Gary Lubin, Molly King



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