

# THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Holy Eucharist in the Celtic Tradition

*This liturgy is adapted from "A Celtic Liturgy for Every Season" by Elizabeth Grover.*



*The people's response is in bold.*

## GATHERING MUSIC

*O Waly, Waly  
White Rose Waltz*

## OPENING WORDS

The God of love is with us.

**The Spirit of love is in us.**

Blessed is the Holy Spirit, the breath of God.

**Let the winds and all creation praise you.**

## THE LIGHTING OF THE THREE LIGHTS

We will light a light in the name of the Maker

**God who breathed life into all creation,**

We will light a light in the name of the Christ

**Jesus who taught of the love that flows in all.**

We will light a light in the name of the Spirit

**The Holy One embracing us like the wind.**

Almighty and eternal God, to you our hearts are open and our inmost desires known. We cannot hide our most intimate secrets from you. Be present at all times in our thoughts and hearts and purify them with your Holy Spirit, so that we may love you with the love of the Spirit and praise your name with humility and joy; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **A HYMN OF PRAISE**

God breathes life into creation. Let us praise the God of all breath, of all creation!

O God, our strength

**We praise you for your power.**

O God, our Shield.

**We praise you for your protection**

O God, our Comfort

**We praise you for your solace.**

O God, our Inspiration

**We praise you for your renewal**

O God, our Life,

**We praise you for your grace.**

O God of all,

**We praise you for your love. Glory to the God of all! Glory, glory! Amen, amen.**

**Glory to the God of all! Glory forever! Amen.**

## **A PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **FIRST LESSON**

AMOS 6:1A,4-7

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria. Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

the dead shall rise again  
whoever say  
dust must be dust  
don't see the trees  
smell rain  
remember africa  
everything that goes  
can come  
stand up  
even the dead shall rise

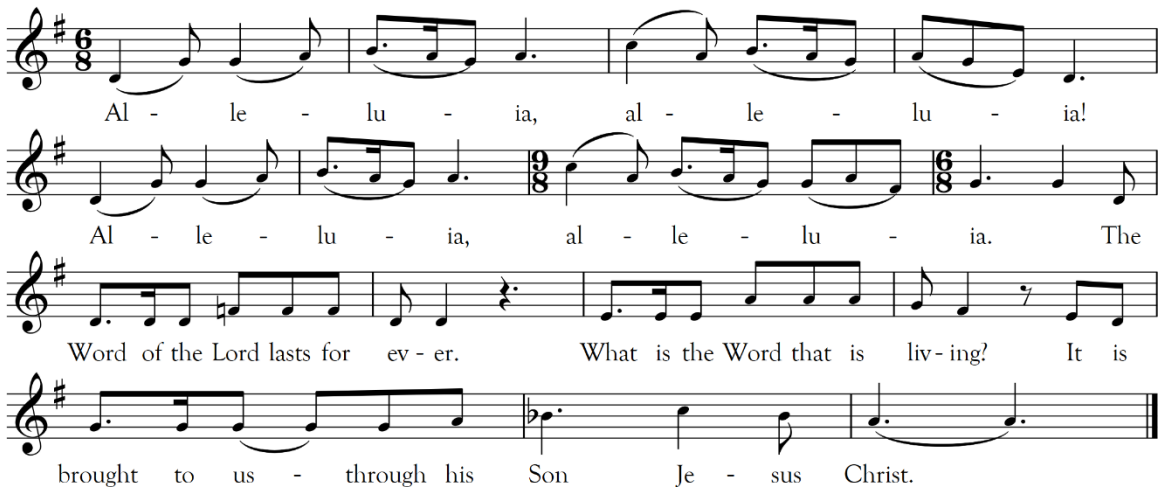
**SECOND LESSON**

1 TIMOTHY 6:6-19

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time~ he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL SONG



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. The  
Word of the Lord lasts for ev - er. What is the Word that is liv - ing? It is  
brought to us - through his Son Je - sus Christ.

## THE GOSPEL

LUKE 16:19-31

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house~ for I have five brothers~ that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If

they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

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

## THE HOMILY

*There will be a pause for silent reflection immediately following the homily.*

## THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us join in affirming our faith in God.

Our God is the God of all humanity  
Of heaven and earth, of the seas and the rivers  
Of the sun and the moon, and all the stars  
God of the highest mountains and of the lowest valleys,  
Over heaven, in heaven, and under heaven.  
God is present in all things in heaven and earth and seas,  
Inspires all things, brings life to all things,  
Is over all things and supports all things.  
God makes the light of the sun to shine,  
And surrounds the moon and stars,  
Brings water to the deserts  
And places dry islands in the sea.  
God's son lives as God lives, eternal and holy.  
The Holy Spirit breathes in the father and the Son,  
And the Holy Spirit lives in God the Christ.  
And God is forever. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Celebrant* We now pray for the needs of all people throughout the world, remembering that we are God's people and the hand of his love on earth. Let us pray.

*Intercessor* Blessed are you, O God, for your breath at the heart of creation from which the winds of joy and gladness come forth;

*People* **For the gentle breezes that bring coolness and refreshment.**

*Intercessor* As we give thanks for the gift of life and for the comfort we receive in your holy presence, we pray for those places in our world and our lives where there is no joy or comfort;

People           **For communities in ruins and war-torn people and nations; for those held captive physically or emotionally;**

<Pause for additional prayers.>

*Intercessor*    For those who are weary or weakened by troubles

*People*           **And those who are dying and frightened;**

*Intercessor*    For the sick and the suffering, especially those we now name.

<Pause for additional prayers.>

For the departed and those who mourn.

<Pause for additional prayers.>

We ask your comfort and your holy presence, Lord,

*People*           **For all people, for our loved ones and for ourselves.**

*Intercessor*    We pray to you, O God, asking that we may know your breath of love within us and that our lives may be a witness to that love and to your glory.

*All*               **May God guide us with wisdom, help us with mercy, bless us with grace, and empower us with love; for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

We gather together in search of wholeness, but our brokenness separates us from God and from one another. Let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor.

**Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you.**

**You call, but we have not listened.**

**We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns.**

**We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you and set you free from sin, strengthen you in goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **SHARING THE PEACE**

God makes peace within us.

**Let us claim it.**

God makes peace between us.

**Let us share it.**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY

Shenandoah

*There are two collection spots in the narthex (look for the Give Here signs) where you may deposit your offering safely.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

We offer you praise and hearts lifted high, O God. You breathe into us your Spirit, and by the blowing of the gentle breeze, you remind us of the constancy of your loving presence. Your glory is in the breath of each created thing, and through your creation we see the holiness and wonder of your being, And so with all the hosts of heaven and earth, with the wind that howls and the gentle breeze that soothes, we join in the praises of your unending greatness:

*Celebrant and People*

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, \_\_\_\_\_  
g heav'n and earth\_ are filled with your glo-ry, ho - san - na in\_ the high - est. Bless - ed is\_ the  
One who comes\_ in the name of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_ ho -  
san - na in\_ the high - est, ho - san - na in\_ the high - est

Blessed are you, O God, for the great day of salvation prepared from the beginning of the world, when Christ, though rejected on earth, will be seen by all to be chosen and precious in your sight. We thank you for Jesus who carried sin's destructive powers to the cross that all people might be set free. Through Christ Jesus you inspire in us the hope that earth's forces of darkness will be scattered, and angels of glory and principalities of light will bring a new heaven and a new earth.

On the night when he was betrayed took bread, and having blessed it, He broke the bread, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take, eat; this is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took wine, and having given thanks for it, he gave the cup to his disciples, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**Remembering his eternal self-giving, we proclaim the mystery of Christ among us. Made one with him and one with each other, we offer these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy living sacrifice**

Sanctify us with your Holy Spirit, O God, and sanctify this bread and this wine to be the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, that through them we may be made strong again with the strength that only you supply. May our inner selves be nourished that in the outward things of life we may follow the way of Love and grow more and more into salvation; through Christ, by whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty God, world without end.

**AMEN**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now say,  
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen**



## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Bread of heaven is broken for the life of the world.  
The Cup of love is shared with all who seek God. Amen.

## COMMUNION MUSIC

*Come and Find the Quiet Center*

## THE SHARING OF A HOLY MEAL

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

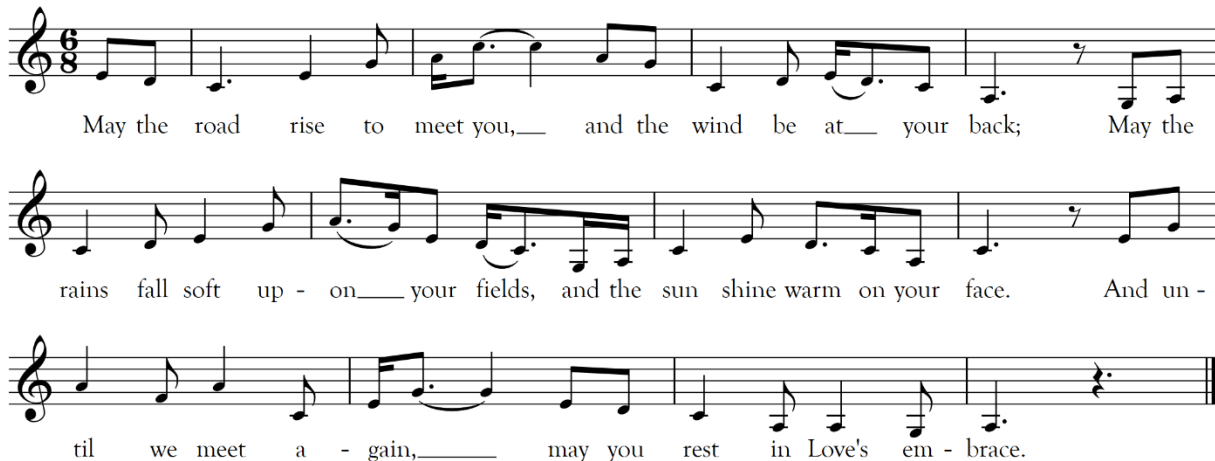
O God, in love you have called us to be your people and in love you have given us this bread and wine; may this holy meal refresh us as a gentle and steady breeze, that renewed in your Holy Spirit, we may go forth into the world to serve your people; in the name of God, who is Love. Amen.

Lord of all light, as we go forth into the world, we extinguish the lights that here represent the presence of the Holy in our midst.

But we will carry the light in our hearts and we pray that as we go about our work in the world, we will shine with the love of God. Amen.

## BLESSING SONG

CELTIC BENEDECTION



May the road rise to meet you, and the wind be at your back; May the  
rains fall soft upon your fields, and the sun shine warm on your face. And un -  
til we meet again, may you rest in Love's embrace.

## THE BLESSING

The power and peace of the Presence protect you.

The grace and goodness of the saints inspire you.

The good and gracious God go with you and keep you always.

And the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you now and for ever. **Amen.**

## CLOSING SONG

*'O HOLY SPIRIT ROOT OF LIFE...'*

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1. O, Ho - ly Spir - it, Root of Life, \_ Cre - a - tor,
2. E - ter - nal Vi - gor, Sav - ing One, \_ you free us
3. O, Ho - ly Wis - dom, Soar - ing Power, en - com - pass



clean - ser of all things, \_ a - noint our  
by \_ your liv - ing Word, \_ be - com - ing  
us \_ with wings un - furled \_ and car - ry



wounds, \_ a - wa - ken \_ us \_ with lus - trous  
flesh \_ to wear our \_ pain, \_ and all cre -  
us, \_ en - cir - cling \_ all, \_ a - bove, be -



move - ment of your wings. \_  
- a - - tion is re - stored. \_  
- low, \_ and through the world. \_

## THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

## IN THANKSGIVING & MEMORY

The **FLOWERS** that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Mary Lou & Bill Alexander by Betsy Berry and Isabel Mackoy Robinson by Tom & Betsy Schram; and in thanksgiving of Kirtley & Isabelle Krombholz by Lee & Heather Krombholz.

## PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Celebrant & Preacher ..... The Rev. Melanie Slane  
Lector ..... Pattie Kovach  
Lay Reader ..... Mark Sesler  
Intercessor ..... Pam Popp  
Celtic Guild..... Pam Popp  
Bread Guild..... Courtney Vice  
Altar Guild ..... Andrea Rogers, Julia Joyce, Liz Schildknecht, Katy Mallon  
Flower Guild ..... Melanie Schottelkotte, Courtney Vice, Sue Wilkening



### VISION STATEMENT

We have a vision of a worshipping community  
that **knows Jesus and grows in love:**

- **United** in relationships of holy connection and communion;
- **Growing** with people of every age, race, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic situation, and political persuasion;
- **Inspired** by our understanding of why we are Christian, why we are Episcopalian, why Redeemer matters to us;
- **Sent** into the world, rooted and grounded in love, to serve all people with humility, compassion, and faithfulness.

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