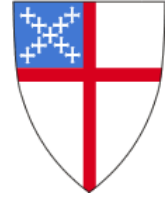




EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

## *Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

JULY 4, 2021 | YEAR B | RITE II | 11 AM



- THE LITURGY OF THE WORD -

The people's responses are in **bold**

**PRELUDE** | **JESUS, NAME OF WONDROUS LOVE** | Henry Gauntlet, b. 1805

**OPENING ACCLAMATION** | BCP 351 | Fr. Birch

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

**THE CONFESSION** | BCP 352 | Dcn. Lauri

*The Deacon then says:*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister* **Most merciful God,**  
*and* **we confess that we have sinned against you**  
*People* **in thought, word, and deed,**  
**by what we have done,**  
**and by what we have left undone.**  
**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**  
**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**  
**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**  
**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**  
**have mercy on us and forgive us;**  
**that we may delight in your will,**  
**and walk in your ways,**  
**to the glory of your Name.**  
**Amen.**

**ABSOLUTION**

| BCP 353

| Fr. Birch

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.  
*People* Amen.

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

| BCP 356

| David Hurd, b.1934

*Choir / People*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of  
the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.**

**Amen.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

| BCP 230

| Fr. Birch

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you..**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray

*Silence.*

*Celebrant* O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  
*People* Amen.

**FIRST READING: EZEKIEL 2:1-5 (NRSV)**

| Lector

*Reader* A Reading from Ezekiel.

**T**he Lord said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.

And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me.

He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their

ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn.

I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

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

*Silence may follow.*

**PSALM 123** | BCP 780 | Lector  
*Ad te levavi oculos meos*

<b>T</b> o you I lift up my eyes, * to you enthroned in the heavens.	until he show us his mercy.
As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, * and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,	Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, * for we have had more than enough of contempt,
So our eyes look to the Lord our God,*	Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, * and of the derision of the proud.

**SECOND READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 12:2-10** (NRSV) | Lector

Reader A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

**I** know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

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

**HYMN** | # 528 **LORD, YOU GAVE THE GREAT COMMISSION** | *ROWTHORN*



1 Lord,	you	give	the	great	com -	mis -	sion:	"Heal	the	sick	and
2 Lord,	you	call	us	to	your	serv -	ice:	"In	my	name	bap-
4 Lord,	you	show	us	love's	true	mea -	sure:	"Fa -	ther,	what	they

1 preach the word." Lest the Church ne-glect its mis-sion,  
 2 tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom-ise,  
 4 do, for-give." Yet we hoard as pri-vate trea-sure

1 and the Gos-pel go un-heard, help us wit-ness to your  
 2 life a-bun-dant meant for each, give us all new fer-vor,  
 4 all that you so free-ly give. May your care and mer-cy

*Refrain*

1 pur-pose with re-newed in-teg-ri-ty;  
 2 draw us clos-er in com-mu-ni-ty; with the  
 4 lead us to a iust so-ci-e-ty:

Spi-rit's gifts em-power us for the work of min-is-try.

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**THE GOSPEL: MARK 6:1-13 (NRSV)**

| Dcn. Lauri

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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

## THE SERMON

| Fr. Birch

*Silence.*

## THE NICENE CREED

| BCP 358

| Lector

*All*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the  
Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under  
Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the**

**Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the  
giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the  
Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is  
worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and  
apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

| Dcn. Lauri

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

*Deacon* As people of faith, we are called to be prophets. Let us open our hearts and call upon our God, saying: O God, hear our prayer.

That our wounded and numbed hearts may be given hope, and that in our weakness we may be empowered by God's guiding hand, let us pray, saying:  
**O God, hear our prayer.**

That each of us may open the door to the one who knocks, let us pray, saying:  
**O God, hear our prayer.**

That as the sea transforms rock to sand, God may transform our weakness to strength, let us pray, saying:  
**O God, hear our prayer.**

That we may be instrumental in alleviating the pains of oppression by reaching out to the poor, the homeless, and the neglected, let us pray, saying:  
**O God, hear our prayer.**

That we and all in the church may recognize the prophets in our own midst, let us pray, saying:

**O God, hear our prayer.**

That all in any need especially those we now name... may receive God's mercy, let us pray, saying:

**O God, hear our prayer.**

For what else shall we give thanks and pray?

*\*[From: Ramshaw, G. *Intercessions for the Christian People: Prayers of the People for Cycles A, B, and C of the Roman, Episcopal, and Lutheran Lectionaries*. Pueblo.; 1988.]*

As our Savior, Christ, has taught us, we now pray,

For these things let us pray, saying:

**O God, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Compassionate God, we come to you, aware that the prophet within each of us shrinks from your call. Give us the courage to speak and live the word of your Son, in whose name we pray.

**Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

| BCP 364

*All*

**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 for ever.**

**Amen.**

## THE PEACE

| Fr. Birch

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

## THE BLESSING

| Fr. Birch

*The Priest blesses the people*  
*People* **Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

| BCP 366

| Dcn. Lauri

*The Deacon dismisses the people, to which they reply:*  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

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