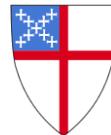




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# *Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

JULY 4, 2021 | YEAR B | RITE II | 9.30 AM



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- THE LITURGY OF THE WORD -

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

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.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY | BCP 355 | Fr. Birch

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

*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**

| Lector

*Ad te levavi oculos meos*

To you I lift up my eyes, \*  
to you enthroned in the  
heavens.

As the eyes of servants look to the  
hand of their masters, \*  
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of  
her mistress,

So our eyes look to the Lord our  
God,\*

until he show us his mercy.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have  
mercy, \*

for we have had more than enough of  
contempt,

Too much of the scorn of the  
indolent rich, \*

and of the derision of the proud.

**SECOND READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 12:2-10** | 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.**

**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.**

*J*esus 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.*

*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?

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.**

*\*[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.]*

**CONFESSION OF SIN** | BCP 360 | Dcn. Lauri

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.  
*Silence may be kept.*

*All* **Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
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.

*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. **Amen.**

**THE PEACE** | BCP 360 | Fr. Birch

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

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** | BCP 361 | Fr. Birch

*Eucharistic Prayer A*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give

thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*All*     **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** | BCP 364

*All*

<b>Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.</b>	<b>forgive those who sin against us.  Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.</b>
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<b>Give us today our daily bread.</b>	<b>For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.</b>
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**Forgive us our sins as we**

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD** | BCP 364 | Fr. Birch

*Silence*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The Bread is given to the communicants with these words*

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [**Amen**]

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

| Fr. Birch

*The Priest blesses the people*

*People* **Amen.**

**DISMISSAL**

| Dcn. Lauri

*The Deacon dismisses the people, to which they reply:*

*People* **Thanks be to God.**