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Third Sunday after Pentecost  
10:15 AM RITE II



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**THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II**

**PRELUDE**

**THE OPENING HYMN** *Hymnal 209*  
*We walk by faith,*

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**THE SALUTATION** *BCP 355*  
*Please stand, as you are able.*

**THE GLORIA** *Hymnal S278*  
*Holy, holy, holy Lord*

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**  
Let us pray

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and earth: Put away from us, we entreat you, all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**Old Testament**

**1 Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15), 16-20,  
(11:14-15)**

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the LORD, and the LORD said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; [and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers.] He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his

work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day.”

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.”

[Samuel said to the people, “Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship.” So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the LORD in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the LORD, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.]

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 138**

***Confitebor tibi***

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; \*  
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, \*  
because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 For you have glorified your Name \*  
and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me; \*  
you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, \*  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, \*  
that great is the glory of the Lord.
- 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; \*  
he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \*  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; \*

O Lord, your love endures for ever;  
do not abandon the works of your hands.

**The Epistle 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1**

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—“I believed, and so I spoke” —we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**THE GOSPEL HYMN**

***Hymnal 569***

*God the Omnipotent*

**The Gospel**

**Mark 3:20-35**

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is

divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
***Praise be to thee, O Christ.***

## **THE HOMILY**

Rev. Robert Leaverton, ELCA

**THE NICENE CREED** **BCP 358**  
*Please stand, as you are able.*

**The Prayers of the People** **BCP 383**  
**Form I**  
With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Marty, our own Bishop, for Scott our Dean, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For our Joe, our President, for Greg our Governor; for Congress, especially Jon, Matt, Ryan, and Steve; for Kelly, Vickie, and Wilmot, our area mayors; for the leaders of the nations and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For this city of Helena, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.  
***Lord, have mercy.***

In the communion of the ever blessed Virgin Mary, the Blessed St. Peter, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.  
To thee, O Lord our God.

**THE CONFESSION OF SIN** **BCP 360**  
*Please kneel or sit reverently, as you are able.*

**THE PEACE** **BCP 360**

*Please stand, as you are able.*

*offer to thee praise and thanksgiving. I remember thy death, Lord Christ; I proclaim thy resurrection; I await thy coming in glory.*

**THE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please be seated.*

*Since I cannot receive thee today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with thy grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from thee. May I live in thee, and thou in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen*

**PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS** **BCP 830**

*Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**THE COMMUNION HYMN** **Hymnal 712**

*Dona nobis pacem.*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER** **BCP 365**

**THE BLESSING** **BCP 365**

**THE CLOSING HYMN** **Hymnal 620**

*Jerusalem, my happy home,*

**THE DISMISSAL** **BCP 365**

*Please stand, as you are able.*

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**THE OFFERTORY** **Hymnal 194**

*Jesus lives!*

**THE DOXOLOGY**

*Please stand, as you are able.*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**  
**Eucharistic Prayer A** **BCP 361**

**THE SANCTUS** **BCP362**

**THE CONSECRATION** **BCP 362**  
*Please kneel or stand, as you are able.*

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

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD** **BCP 364**

**THE PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION** *(for those attending remotely)*

*In union, O Lord, with thy faithful people at every altar of thy Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to*

**POSTLUDE**

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