

**Holy Trinity Church**  
446 Hamilton St. Southbridge, Massachusetts 01550  
*A parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts*

## **Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 4, 2021**

*9:30 a.m. choral service*

*The Rev. Richard Signore, Celebrant & Preacher*  
*Joe DiSalvatore, Reader*

### **VIGIL LIGHT**

The vigil light is given to the Glory of God and for healing Neil and comfort for his mother and his wife Lacey, given by Judy Reich.

#### **Processional hymns:**

##### **Hymnal #383**

*Words: German composite; Music: Thomas Noble*

**Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son; thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.**

**Fair are the meadows, fairer still woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.**

##### **Hymnal #717**

*Words: Samuel Francis Smith*

**My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing; land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrim's pride, from every mountainside let freedom ring.**

**My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills; my heart with rapture thrills like the above.**

#### **Acclamation**

*Celebrant:* Blessed be God, Father, Son & Holy Spirit.

*People:* **And blessed be God's Kingdom now and forever. Amen.**

#### **Collect for Purity**

##### **Gloria: S-280 Glory to you, Lord**

*Setting: John Rutter*

**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 (said by all)**

**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. Amen.**

#### **First Reading: Reader**      A reading from the Ezekiel

The 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.

*Ezekiel 2: 1-5*

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

## Silence

**Psalm 123**    *said by all, in unison*    **BCP pg. 780**

**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.**

## Alleluia Verse



## Holy Gospel Mark 6:1-13

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ

**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.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord      **People    Praise to you Lord Christ**

## Sermon    *Fr. Richard Signore*

## Prayers of the People III

**Prayer Book, p. 387**

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the church may truly and humbly serve you;

***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*That there may be justice and peace on earth.*  
Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

**Prayer for the Parish - O everlasting source of love, in whom our faith resides, guide us surely ever forward on our lifelong journey. Not so fast that we miss the beauty that surrounds us on the way, nor miss your grace so freely given that teaches us how to grow. But with a steady presence felt and a sense of gratitude may we find our place amidst the jungle of life within the kingdom of heaven on earth. Amen**

#### **Confession & Absolution**

**BCP, p. 360**

**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.**

#### **The Peace**

## **The Liturgy of the Table**

#### **Offertory**

#### **Eucharistic Prayer 1**

**Bulletin Insert**

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Prayer Book, p. 364**

#### **Fraction Anthem: S-155**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

#### **Communion Music**

**Prayer** *(said by those at home)* My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

**The Post Communion Prayer** *(Said by all worshipping in person)*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son and 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.

**Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn #671**

*Words: John Newron; Music: Edwin Othello Excell*

**Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!**

**Dismissal**      Let us bless the Lord.      **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- The Diocese offers Compline all summer! **MONDAY @ 8 PM EST:** The Very Rev. Jim Munroe; **TUESDAY @ 8 PM EST:** The Rt. Rev. Douglas J. Fisher; **WEDNESDAY @ 8 PM EST:** The Rt. Rev. Mark M. Beckwith. Join Zoom Compline <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88987994498?pwd=NnY4ZHh0NGQ0SkMlYm1lbjAyMEhWQT09> Meeting ID: 889 8799 4498; Passcode: Bishop; Dial by your location +1 929 205 6099 US (New York);
- The **Mission Plate** funds for the month of July will go to St. Luke's Guesthouse, located in Southbridge, to help provide short-term sheltering.
- **Special request from the Daughters of The King:** Please donate to the Liberia Project. We are still collecting the following items: Spiral notebooks, binders, folders, writing paper, pens and pencils, markers, erasers, etc. There is also a great need for toiletries, including: shampoo, conditioner, bath (bar) soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body lotion (cocoa butter cream), deodorant, etc. This will be an ongoing mission. We are also seeking contributions toward the costs of shipping these materials to Liberia. You may donate by check or through Tithe.ly. Please donate what you can and pray for them.
- **Flowers on the Altar:** We would like to adorn our altar with flowers again! The flower sign-up sheet is on the back table. Please use a flower envelope to leave your payment. **\$28 cut; \$38 arrangement**
- **Office Update:** Emily (Waugh) Thompson will be temporarily covering the office on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9-12. Feel free to stop in and say hello.
- **Birthday Cards:** We are looking for donation of cards for all occasions – birthday, sympathy and get well, especially. Please leave them in the basket in the Narthex. Thank you!