

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

## **Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 11, 2021**

*9:30 a.m. choral service*

*The Rev. Richard Signore, Celebrant & Preacher*  
*Jean Frost, Reader*

### **Processional hymns:**

#### **Hymnal #8**

*Words: Eleanor Farjeon; Music: Alec Wyton*

**Morning has broken like the first morning, blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing!  
Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**

**Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven, like the first dew fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness  
of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where his feet pass.**

### **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 Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and  
understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and  
forever. Amen.**

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

This is what the Lord God showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line  
in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,  
"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of  
Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of  
Jeroboam with the sword. "Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has  
conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos  
has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' "And Amaziah said to  
Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy  
at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom. "Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no  
prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycomore trees, and the Lord took me from  
following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'" *Amos 7: 7-15*

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

### **Silence**

**I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,  
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people  
and to those who turn their hearts to him.**

**Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,  
that his glory may dwell in our land.**

**Mercy and truth have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**

**Truth shall spring up from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

**The Lord will indeed grant prosperity,  
and our land will yield its increase.**

**Righteousness shall go before him,  
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.**

#### Alleluia Verse



#### Holy Gospel Mark 6:1-13

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ

**People** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord

**People**

**Praise to you Lord Christ**

**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- LEVAS #105**

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

**I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me, I'm so glad, glad that lifted so glad that Jesus lifted me. I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me singing Lord so glad that glory Hallelujah Jesus lifted me.**

**Satan had me bound (Jesus lifted me)**

**When I was in sin (Jesus lifted me)**

**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=NnY4ZHh0NGQ0SkTm1lBjAyMEhWQT09> 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 Tithely. 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. Office hours will be closed the week of 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>
- **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!