

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

## **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 25, 2021**

*9:30 a.m. choral service*

*The Rev. Richard Signore, Celebrant & Preacher*  
*Tamsin Lucey, Reader*

### **FLOWERS**

**The flowers on the altar today are given for blessings of HTC by Brian Canty**

**Processional hymn #711 Seek ye first the kingdom of God**

#### **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)**

**Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**First Reading:** Reader A reading from the book of 2 Kings

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

*2 Kings 4:42-44*

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

#### **Silence**

**PSALM 145:10-19** *said by all, in unison*

**BCP p. 802**

All your works praise you, O Lord,  
and your faithful servants bless you.  
They make known the glory of your kingdom  
and speak of your power;  
That the peoples may know of your power  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.  
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;

The Lord is faithful in all his words  
 and merciful in all his deeds.  
 The Lord upholds all those who fall;  
 he lifts up those who are bowed down.  
 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord,  
 and you give them their food in due season.  
 You open wide your hand  
 and satisfy the needs of every living creature.  
 The Lord is righteous in all his ways  
 and loving in all his works.  
 The Lord is near to those who call upon him,  
 to all who call upon him faithfully.

### Alleluia Verse



### Holy Gospel John 6: 1-21

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ

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

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing.

When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going

*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**

**Prayer Book, 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, in the glory of your Name. Amen.**

**The Peace**

## **The Liturgy of the Table**

**Offertory Music**

**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 -Bulletin Insert; Shine, Jesus, Shine**

**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=NnY4ZHh0NGQ0SktmTm1lbjAyMEhWQT09Meeting ID: 889 8799 4498](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88987994498?pwd=NnY4ZHh0NGQ0SktmTm1lbjAyMEhWQT09Meeting+ID%3D889+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
- 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!