

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

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 15th, 2021

9:30 a.m. choral service

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

FLOWERS

**The flowers of the altar today are given in blessing of Diocese of Liberia
by Lorraine Brumskine on behalf of DOK**

Processional hymn #480

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, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son 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 Proverbs 9: 1-6

Wisdom has built her house,
she has hewn her seven pillars.
She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine,
she has also set her table.
She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls
from the highest places in the town,
"You that are simple, turn in here!"
To those without sense she says,
"Come, eat of my bread
and drink of the wine I have mixed.
Lay aside immaturity, and live,
and walk in the way of insight."

Proverbs 9:1-6

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

Silence

PSALM 34:9-14*said by all, in unison***BCP p. 628**

Fear the Lord, you that are his saints,
 for those who fear him lack nothing.
 The young lions lack and suffer hunger,
 but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.
 Come, children, and listen to me;
 I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
 Who among you loves life
 and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?
 Keep your tongue from evil-speaking
 and your lips from lying words.
 Turn from evil and do good;
 seek peace and pursue it.

Alleluia Verse**Holy Gospel John 6:51-58***Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ**People** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

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

Sermon *Ms. Julia Duncan-Cassell, Diocese of Liberia***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 2

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

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

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.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn - #488

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

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%3A889+8799+4498); Passcode: Bishop; Dial by your location +1 929 205 6099 US (New York);
- The **Mission Plate** funds for the month of August 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