

### Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 12, 2021

# The Holy Eucharist Rite Two



# The Word of God

### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

CelebrantBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

### The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

### SONG OF PRAISE

Glory to God

Hymnal S 280

The following is sung, all standing as able



### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

### A Collect for September 11

O Almighty God, who brings good out of evil and turns even the wrath of your children towards your promised peace: Hear our prayers this day as we remember those of many nations and differing faiths whose lives were cut short by the fierce flames of anger and hatred. Hasten the time when the menace of war shall be removed. Cleanse both us and those perceived to be our enemies of all hatred and distrust. Pour out the spirit of peace on all the rulers of our world that we may be brought through strife to the lasting peace of the kingdom of your Son; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# The Lessons

### FIRST READING: Proverbs 1:20-33

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Proverbs.

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice. At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD, would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster."

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

Silence may follow.

### PSALM: Psalm 19

### Remain seated.

<sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glory of God, \* and the firmament shows his handiwork.

<sup>2</sup>One day tells its tale to another, \*

and one night imparts knowledge to another.

 $^{3}$ Although they have no words or language, \*

and their voices are not heard,

<sup>4</sup>Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*

and their message to the ends of the world.

- <sup>5</sup>In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*
  - it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- $^{\circ}$ It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; \*
  - nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

<sup>7</sup>The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; \*

the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

<sup>8</sup>The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; \*

the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.

<sup>9</sup>The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; \*

the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

 $^{\scriptscriptstyle 10}\mbox{More}$  to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*

sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

<sup>11</sup>By them also is your servant enlightened, \*

and in keeping them there is great reward.

<sup>12</sup>Who can tell how often he offends? \*

cleanse me from my secret faults.

<sup>13</sup>Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; \* then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

<sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \* O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

### SECOND READING: James 3:1-12

### The people sit.

A Reading from the Letter of James.

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.Silence may follow.

**GRADUAL HYMN** 



### GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-38

Continuing standing as able.

PriestThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the

scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Priest	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### THE SERMON

Brief moment of silence to follow.

### THE CREED

All stand as able.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

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We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing as able.

*Celebrant:* Gracious God, you have saved us through your Son Jesus Christ and you call us to take up our cross and follow him: Incline your ear to us as we call upon you, saying: Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O God, our strength and our redeemer.

Litanist: Holy God, you have promised life to your Church as we lose our lives for Jesus' sake and for the sake of the gospel: Inspire our witness to your Messiah, that we may share in his work of resurrection. We pray especially for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Russell, our Bishop; Will, our Rector; and all other clergy and ministers of your church.

Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight;

### O God, our strength and our redeemer.

Wise and Wonderful One, keep our leaders and all in authority from presumptuous sins and guide them, that they may set their minds upon divine things and not upon human things. We pray especially for Joe, our President; Kay, our Governor; Robert, our Mayor and Tony, Mayor of Orange Beach. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight;

### O God, our strength and our redeemer.

Ever-present One, comfort all who undergo great suffering throughout the world and let your saving hand raise them to new life. We pray especially for the people of Afghanistan and Haiti and all impacted by Hurricane Ida.

Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight;

### O God, our strength and our redeemer.

Benevolent One, be near to us and sustain us in conflict and in prosperity, that our community may be whole and sound, and innocent of great offense. We pray for all First Responders, Law Enforcement and Members of the Armed Forces, both at home and abroad, especially our parishioners Chris and John. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight;

### O God, our strength and our redeemer.

The heavens declare your glory, O God, and the firmament shows your handiwork. Hear our prayers for those for whom we intercede, especially our parishioners Cal, Mike, Norma, Rick, Ellie, Betty, Doris, Ann, Al, Fred, Peter, Diane, Lillian, Norma, Paul, Barbara, Stillman, Joanna, Robert and all on our prayer list.

We thank you for teachers and all who speak your good news to the world. Hear our gratefulness for our many blessings.

In Christ you have suffered, died and risen. May Jesus, the Messiah, the Anointed One of God bring all humanity into eternal life. Hear our prayers for those who have died.

Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight;

### O God, our strength and our redeemer.

*Celebrant:* Holy and Gracious One, through your Son, Jesus the Messiah, you have shown us how to save our lives by losing ourselves into the grace of your good news for all people: Fill us with the power of your Spirit, that we may live with faithful courage, sharing in Christ's sufferings so that we may share in his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

*The Celebrant says* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

### Minister and People

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 Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.* 

### THE PEACE

All stand as able.

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS Birthday & Anniversary Blessing

# The Holy Communion

*The Celebrant says* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2* 

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**OFFERTORY HYMN** 



### DOXOLOGY



## The Great Thanksgiving

### **Eucharistic Prayer A**

The People remain standing as able.

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

### Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### Celebrant and People



### The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

### Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

### The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament,

and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

### People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

### **The Breaking of the Bread** FRACTION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.* 

### **INVITATION**

### The Celebrant says

This is the table, not of the Church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love God and who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before, You who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because the Church invites you; It is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.

### DISTRIBUTION

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people. We ask that if you receive the wine you do so by intinction.

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words* The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]



### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

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After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

### Celebrant and People

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

### The Priest blesses the people, saying

As you leave this place, go forth in peace. Be assured that the past is forgiven and know that the future is in God's hands. Return no evil for evil, remember the poor, pray for the sick, and make no peace with injustice in this world. May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen* 



### DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

### WELCOME TO HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

All who seek to know God in a deeper and more meaningful way are welcome to receive Communion. If you do not wish to receive the Sacraments, just cross your arms and a blessing will be given instead. Gluten free communion wafers are available. Please ask the priest as communion is distributed.

### Today's flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of my husband of 62 years, Benjamin F. Johnson III (Biff) In honor of the brave 9/11 responders and victims by Rosalie K. Johnson and family.

Those for whom we pray: Cal Hanson, Mike & Norma Minchew, Rick & Ellie Brandon, Katherine Stribling (Jan Waggoner), Billy Hermecz (Lillian Bemis), Roy Hermecz (Lillian Bemis), Betty Huechtker, Doris Bryant, Melody Taylor (Lillian Bemis), Marilyn Lewis (Lillian Bemis), Carrietta Nelson (Lillian Bemis), Ann Gurney, Al Vondrasek, Fred Waggoner, Gayle Pierce (John Butterick), George Caruso (Stillman Knight), Peter Sanchez, Brooke Butterick (John Butterick), Kurt Porter (Barbara & Paul Smith), Joann Parrish (Rick & Ellie Brandon), Diane Livengood, Lillian Bemis, Pat Barfield (Christine & Wiley Ashley), Andy & Finley Jones (Lillian Bemis), Angus Carver (Lillian Bemis), Betsy Dean Lipscomb (Lillian Bemis), Norma Black-Glossop, Larry Updike (Joy Howell), Staci Lieferman (James & Shauna Howell), Kathi Dolder (Sue Wiggins), Paul & Barbara Smith, Jayne Bemis Sharp (Lillian Bemis), Kelly Wallace (Lillian Bemis), Cindy Howell (Joy Howell), Tom Hamet (Laura Pigott), Ann Mercier-Rylee (Laura Pigott), Stillman Knight, Nell Harris (Rose Johnson), Judi Kuntz (Ann Lofaro), Matt Burgess & family (Rhonda Barber), Nadia Sitinio (Dick & Lee Reid), Michael Bates (Jim Hill), Bernice Waddell (Marilyn & Bobby Quinn), Angela Alley (Marilyn & Bobby Quinn), Sam Gilfillan (Christine Ashley), Lauri Pola (Jan Waggoner), Joanna & Robert Seibert, Martha Cole (Courtney Gibb Dardis), Bailey Powers (Cyndi & Jim Hill), Thomas Michie (Courtney Gibb Dardis), John A. Johnson (Rose Johnson)

Prayer List Guidelines: If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please contact the office. Parishioners' names will be said in the Prayers of the People. All others will be added to the Prayer List in the bulletin. Names will be removed from the bulletin list after one month unless we are notified otherwise.

**For all First Responders, Law Enforcement and Members of the Armed Forces:** Phil Gurney (USN), Blake Buskens (USA), Dillon Johnson (USA), Charlie Conner (USA), **Chris Miller (GSPD)**, Joseph Callaway (USN), Jonathan Arthur (USA), Savannah Kichler (USAF), Jacob Wetzler (USN), Luc Lau (USM), Jack Taylor (USN), Snap Nelson (USM), Callaway Williamson (USN), **John Butterick (FMVFD)**, Zachary Russell (USAF), Cailan Ross Ashley (USCG)

In Thanksgiving for Birthdays: Amelia Jesubatham (13th), Ci Jones (13th), Chuck Stone (16th)

In Thanksgiving for Anniversaries: Kate & Cliff Withers (14th), Carol & Joe Hooten (15th)

In Thanksgiving for Expectant Mothers: Katie Goodwin (Jim & Cyndi Hill)

<u>Servers:</u> Acolyte/Chalice Bearer- Rhonda Barber Lectors- Millie Ericson & Jim Hill Ushers- Jim & Cyndi Hill Altar Guild- Cyndi Hill & Judy Allen Flower Guild- Rhonda Barber Beadle- Ron Meehan

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