

# The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 9, Year A

July 5, 2020

## 10:00 a.m. Ante-Communion, Rite II

Book of Common Prayer, page 355

### *Opening Hymn*

Love divine, all loves excelling

Hymnal 657

1 Love divine, all loves ex-cell-ing,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy hum-ble dwell-ing,  
all thy faithful mer-cies crown.  
Je-sus, thou art all com-pas-sion,  
pure, un-bound-ed love thou art;  
vis-it us with thy sal-va-tion,  
en-ter ev-ery trem-bling heart.

2 Come, al-mighty to de-liv-er,  
let us all thy life re-ceive;  
sud-den-ly re-turn, and ne-ver,  
nev-er-more thy tem-ples leave.  
Thee we would be al-ways bless-ing,  
serve thee as thy hosts a-bove,  
pray, and praise thee with-out ceas-ing,  
glo-ry in thy per-fect love.

3 Fi-nish then thy new cre-a-tion;  
pure and spot-less let us be;  
let us see thy great sal-va-tion  
perfectly re-stored in thee:  
changed from glo-ry in-to glo-ry,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns be-fore thee,  
lost in won-der, love, and praise.

### *Opening Acclamation*

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

*People:* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

### *Invitation to Confession*

*Celebrant:* Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear O Israel:  
The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God

with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind,  
and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your  
neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment  
greater than these.” *Mark 12:29-31*

### ***Confession of Sin***

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

*Celebrant 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.

*Celebrant:* 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.*

### ***Song of Praise***

*Gloria*

BCP p 356

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.

### ***The Collect of the Day***

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.

## **The Lessons**

### ***Old Testament: Zechariah 9:9-12***

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

### ***Psalm 145:8-15***

- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 The LORD is loving to everyone \*  
and his compassion is over all his works.
- 10 All your works praise you, O LORD, \*  
and your faithful servants bless you.
- 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom \*  
and speak of your power;
- 12 That the peoples may know of your power \*  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; \*  
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The LORD is faithful in all his words \*  
and merciful in all his deeds.
- 15 The LORD upholds all those who fall; \*  
he lifts up those who are bowed down.

### ***The Epistle: Romans 7:15-25a***

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I

that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

***Sequence Hymn***

*Blest be the King*

Hymnal 74

1 Blest be the King whose coming is in the name of God!  
For him let doors be opened, no hearts against him barred!  
Not robed in royal splendor, in power and pomp, comes he;  
but clad as are the poorest, such his humility!

2 Blest be the King whose coming is in the name of God!  
By those who truly listen his voice is truly heard;  
pity the proud and haughty, who have not learned to heed  
the Christ who is the Promise, who has atonement made.

3 Blest be the King whose coming is in the name of God!  
He only to the humble reveals the face of God.  
All power is his, all glory! All things are in his hand,  
all ages and all peoples, till time itself shall end!

4 Blest be the King whose coming is in the name of God!  
He offers to the burdened the rest and grace they need.  
Gentle is he and humble! And light his yoke shall be,  
for he would have us bear it so he can make us free.

***The Gospel: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30***

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds." At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

**Nicene Creed**

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.  
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**

*The Prayers of the People, Form IV*

BCP p 388

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy,  
*Hear our prayer.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

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

BCP p 364

And now, as our Savior  
Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

*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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

## ***The Blessing***

### ***Closing Hymn***

*God of grace and God of glory*

Hymnal 594

1 God of grace and God of glo-ry,  
on thy peo-ple pour thy power;  
crown thine an-cient Church-'s sto-ry;  
bring her bud to glo-rious flower.  
Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,  
for the fac-ing of this hour,  
for the fac-ing of this hour.

2 Lo! the hosts of e-vil round us  
scorn thy Christ, as-sail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
free our hearts to faith and praise:  
grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,  
for the liv-ing of these days,  
for the liv-ing of these days.

3 Cure thy chil-dren's war-ring mad-ness,  
bend our pride to thy con-trol;  
shame our wan-ton, self-ish glad-ness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,  
lest we miss thy king-dom's goal,  
lest we miss thy king-dom's goal.

4 Save us from weak res-ig-na-tion  
to the e-vils we de-plore;  
let the gift of thy sal-va-tion  
be our glo-ry ev-er-more.  
Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,  
ser-ving thee whom we a-dore,  
ser-ving thee whom we a-dore.

### ***Dismissal***

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People:* Thanks be to God!

### ***Announcements***