

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2020

# Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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## BCP Service of the Word

Let us pray. [BCP p 622](#)

**Lord, teach us to pray.**

**Lord, keep our thoughts from wandering.**

**Lord, cleanse our hearts that we may worship thee in spirit and in truth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;  
let the whole earth stand in awe of him. [Ps 96:9](#)  
Seek ye the Lord while he may be found,  
call ye upon him while he is near. [Isaiah 55:6](#)

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**O Heavenly Father, we confess that we have sinned greatly against thee in  
thought, and word, and deed, and have done that which is wrong in thy sight.  
Forgive us our sins, and give us grace always to resist temptation and to do thy  
holy will; for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.**

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that we may be cleansed from all our Sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Lord, open thou our lips;

**And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

O God, make speed to save us;

**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen**

Praise ye the Lord;

**The Lord's name be praised.**

### **1st Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-13**

*O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed;*

*you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed.*

*I have become a laughing-stock all day long; everyone mocks me.*

*For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!'*

*For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.*

*If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name',*

*then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones;*

*I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.*

*For I hear many whispering: 'Terror is all around!*

*Denounce him! Let us denounce him!'*

*All my close friends are watching for me to stumble.*

*'Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him,*

*and take our revenge on him.' But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior*

*therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail.*

*They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed.*

*Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten.*

*O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind;*

*let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.*

*Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord!*

*For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people.

**Thanks be to God!**

## Psalm 89:1-4,15-18

- 1 MY song shall be always of the loving-kindness of the LORD; / **with my mouth will I ever be showing thy faithfulness from one generation to another.**
- 2 For I have said, 'Loving-kindness shall be built up for ever; / **thy faithfulness shalt thou stablish in the heavens.'**
- 3 'I HAVE made a covenant with my chosen: / **I have sworn unto David my servant;**
- 4 Thy seed will I stablish for ever, / **and set up thy throne from one generation to another.'**
- 15 Blessed is the people that can rejoice in thee: / **they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance.**
- 16 Their delight shall be in thy Name all the day long; / **and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted.**
- 17 For thou art the glory of their strength, / **and by thy favour our horn is exalted.**
- 18 For to the LORD belongeth our shield, / **and our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

## 2nd Reading: Romans 6:12-23

*Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.*

*What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.*

*When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people.

**Thanks be to God!**

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

**Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42**

*'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'*

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

Please join me in reciting the Apostles' Creed. [BCP p 624](#)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,**

**Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary,**

**Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried:**

**He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead;**

**He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of**

**God the Father Almighty;**

**From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church;**

**The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins;**

**The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen**

The Lord be with you;

**And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil. Amen**

Let us pray.

**Welcoming God,**

**make us apostles of your generous love,**

**so that we might offer hospitality**

**that challenges the world**

**with your gift of eternal life,**

**made known in Jesus Christ,**

**who offered himself for us. Amen.**

O Lord God, who hast bidden light to shine out of darkness, and who hast again wakened us to praise thee for thy goodness and to ask for thy grace: Accept now the offering of our worship and thanksgiving, and grant unto us all such requests as may be acceptable to thy holy will. Make us to live as children of the light, and heirs of thy everlasting kingdom. Remember, O Lord, according to the multitude of thy mercies, thy whole Church, all who join with us in prayer, and all in our family, wherever they may be, who stand in need of thine aid. Pour down upon us all the riches of thy grace, so that, redeemed in soul and body, and steadfast in faith, we may ever praise thy wonderful and holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** *BCP p 729*

*please name those who are in need of prayer*

Almighty God and heavenly Father, who hast in wisdom seen fit to withhold from us at this time thine accustomed bounty; We most humbly praise thee for still bestowing upon us far more than we deserve. Make us truly thankful for our many blessings; increase in us more and more a lively faith and love, and a humble submission to thy blessed will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** *BCP p 619*

O Heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray thee so to guide and govern us by thy Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our daily life we may never forget thee, but remember that we are ever walking in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** *BCP p 731*

*please remember to mail in your offering to the church or  
consider using the Pre-Authorized Debit system*

Let us pray.

**Most merciful Father, we beseech thee to send down thy heavenly blessing upon thy Church in this Parish, that all its members may dwell together in unity and love. Keep far from us all self-will and discord. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness, and enable them faithfully to dispense thy holy Word and Sacraments, to bring again the outcasts, and to seek the lost. Grant that we may so receive their ministrations, and use thy means of grace, that in all our words and deeds we may seek thy glory and the advancement of thy kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen** *BCP p 736*

O God, Most High and Holy Three in One, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: We offer to thee this day Ourselves, our souls and bodies, To be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; To whom be all praise and glory. **Amen** *BCP p 729*

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen**

**Readings for next Sunday – July 5, 2020**

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Zechariah 9:9-12; Psalm 145:8-14;

Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30.