



## Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 20, 2020

10:15 AM

**MORNING PRAYER**

**RITE II**

SEA EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
ZOOM ROOM ONLY

*Officiant*

The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. John 4:23

## **CONFESSON OF SIN**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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 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 INVITATORY & PSALTER**

Officiant     Lord, open our lips.

**People     And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant and People

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

## **JUBILATE PSALM 100**

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*  
he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Officiant and People

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:  
**Come let us adore him.**

## **Psalm 145:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>I will exalt you, O God my King, \*  
**and bless your Name for ever and ever.**

<sup>2</sup>Every day will I bless you \*  
**and praise your Name for ever and ever.**

<sup>3</sup>Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; \*  
**there is no end to his greatness.**

<sup>4</sup>One generation shall praise your works to another \*  
**and shall declare your power.**

<sup>5</sup>I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty \*  
**and all your marvelous works.**

<sup>6</sup>They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, \*  
**and I will tell of your greatness.**

<sup>7</sup>They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; \*  
**they shall sing of your righteous deeds.**

<sup>8</sup>The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, \*  
**slow to anger and of great kindness.**

**Officiant and People**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**THE FIRST READING**

**Jonah 3:10--4:11**

**Reader** A Reading from the Book of Jonah.

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what [the people of Ninevah] did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

<sup>4:1</sup>But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. <sup>2</sup>He prayed to the LORD and said, “O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. <sup>3</sup>And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.” <sup>4</sup>And the LORD said, “Is it right for you to be angry?” <sup>5</sup>Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

<sup>6</sup>The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. <sup>7</sup>But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. <sup>8</sup>When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, “It is better for me to die than to live.”

<sup>9</sup>But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” <sup>10</sup>Then the LORD said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. <sup>11</sup>And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

**Reader** The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God

## **THE SONG OF ZECHARIAH**

*Benedictus Dominus Deus Luke 1:68-79*

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \*  
he has come to his people and set them free.  
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \*  
born of the house of his servant David.  
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,  
that he would save us from our enemies, \*  
from the hands of all who hate us.  
He promised to show mercy to our fathers \*  
and to remember his holy covenant.  
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \*  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,  
Free to worship him without fear, \*  
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

## **THE SECOND READING**

## **MATTHEW 20:1-16**

Reader A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

<sup>1</sup>Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of [Jesus said,] <sup>1</sup>“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup>After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup>When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; <sup>4</sup>and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. <sup>5</sup>When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. <sup>6</sup>And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ <sup>7</sup>They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ <sup>8</sup>When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ <sup>9</sup>When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. <sup>10</sup>Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. <sup>11</sup>And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, <sup>12</sup>saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have

borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’<sup>13</sup> But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? <sup>14</sup>Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. <sup>15</sup>Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ <sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**

### THE HOMILY

The Rev. Charlotte Wilson

### THE APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

*People and Officiant*

**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**

## **SUFFRAGES B**

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
R. **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**  
V. Day by day we bless you;  
R. **We praise your Name for ever.**  
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
R. **Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**  
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
R. **For we put our trust in you.**  
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;  
R. **And we shall never hope in vain**

## **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **COLLECT FOR GUIDANCE**

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Come, all who labor in the vineyard of God's grace, let us join together in the offering of our prayers, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That we may bridle our tongue against the urge to complain, channeling our energy to generously participate in the building up of the community of faith; let us pray.

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That we may receive the sacramental Meal of the Eucharist as a foretaste of God's heavenly banquet, responding to its grace by helping those who are the weakest among us; let us pray.

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That our homes may be schools of religious faith, where God's loving presence is revealed through personal sacrifice, ongoing forgiveness, and mutual joy; let us pray.

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That we may rejoice in the beauty of the season, and honor the extraordinary diversity of plant and animal life; let us pray.

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That those who have died may join in the company of the angels and archangels, all the saints in heaven, and rest in the blessed arms of him who is the first and the last, Jesus our Redeemer; let us pray.

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

With the steadfast love of God to guide us, we continue our prayers.

*(Special intentions of the congregation, the diocese, and the Anglican Communion may be added here or before the formal intercessions.)*

*The Officiant adds a concluding Collect.*

## **THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING**

Officiant and People

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace,  
and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts  
we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our  
days; through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

## THE DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.  
People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship  
of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.  
*2 Corinthians 13:1*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *Prayer for Birthdays and other celebrations*

Watch over your children O Lord, as their days increase: bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Christ our Lord. Amen

### Serving Sunday September 20, 2020

Officiant: The Reverend Charlotte Wilson  
LEM and Zoom Host: Rebekah Hays Ester  
Lector: Dorothy McAfee  
Prayers of the People: Diane FitzGibbon

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Come Grow with us.  
All are Welcome.**

### **Weekdays at SEA Episcopal**

Tuesday **Morning Prayer** 8:00 AM  
(Zoom and Live Stream)

Tuesday **Preparing for Sunday** (Reading Discussion & Recordings) 11:00 AM  
(Zoom Room)

Wednesday **Noonday Prayer** 12:15 PM  
(Zoom and Live Stream)

Thursday **Preparing for Sunday** (Recording Take Two) 6:30 PM  
(Zoom Room)

Thursday **The Good Book Study** 7:00 PM (resumes September 10)  
(Zoom only)

Thursday **Compline** 8:30 PM  
(Zoom and Live Stream)

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<sup>1</sup> The Vicar's cell phone number is (510) 701-0207. Her sabbath: Monday & Saturday





