

19 Sept 2021

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering
Song #290

There's A
Wideness in
God's mercy
Green Hymnal

Prayer of the Day

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Reading: Jeremiah 11:18-20

18It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. 19But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, “Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!” 20But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 54

Sung Responsively

*Save me, O God, by your name, and vindicate me by your
might.*

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things
Is wondrously reigning.**

Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.

**And, as on wings of an eagle,
Uplifting, sustaining**

*For the arrogant have risen up against me, and the ruthless seek
my life, those who have no regard for God.*

Have you not seen?

PSALM 54

Sung Responsively

But surely, God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life.

All that is needful has been

Sent by his gracious ordaining

With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you.

Praise to the Lord!

Oh, let all that is in me adore him!

I will give thanks to your name, O Lord, for it is good.

PSALM 54

Sung Responsively

**All that has life and breath,
Come now with praises before him.
For you have rescued me from every trouble.
Let the amen
Sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!**

Second Reading: James 3:13--4:3, 7-8a

13Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. 14But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. 15Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. 16For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. 17But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. 18And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Second Reading: James 3:13--4:3, 7-8a

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4: 1Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? 2You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. 3You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. 7Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8aDraw near to God, and he will draw near to you.
Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel According to Glory to you, O Lord

Mark 9:30-37

30 [Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; 31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” 32 But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. 33 Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” 34 But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest.

Gospel: Mark 9:30–37

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35He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” 36Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 37“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day

#474 Children Of
The Heavenly
Father Green
Hymnal

Prayers of the People

Pastor: We join together to pray for the needs of the world, concluding each petition by speaking, “hear our prayer.”

Prayer 1: God of community, we pray for the churches around the world. Unite us in our love for you. Help us overcome our divisions, that we are encouraged to work together for your sake. We Pray for Holy Trinity and Pr. Chris Smith. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Prayers of the People

Prayer 1: God of creation, we pray for this hurting earth. Awaken in us a new desire to care for this world and empower us to support agencies, organizations, and individual efforts to heal our environment. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Prayer 1: We pray for all those affected by the ongoing wildfires, the earthquakes in Haiti and Mexico, for relief efforts following Hurricane Ida, Tropical Storm Nicholas and for all the Afghan people and all living there during this time of turmoil and conflict. God of comfort, we pray for all who live with mental or physical illness. Help them find appropriate care. Bring healing and wholeness when the path forward seems bleak. Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Prayers of the People

Prayer 2: For the sick and suffering, those hurting and haunted by pain or sorrow, for those hungry for physical, spiritual, and emotional nourishment, we remember:

People: The Lott Family, Richard Kromer, Richard Mealkow, Tim Parrish, Costas, Fred Holt, Diana Lane, Homer McAdoo, Renee Watkins, Wayne Mosley, Patte Wolfe, The Helmig Family, Bob Gilray, Healing for Alan, Jacqui Eltorro, Sarah and Devin White and for everyone else whom we whisper into your ear.

Prayer 2: Hear our prayers, O Giver of all goodness:

People: Hear our prayer.

Prayers of the Day

Prayer 3: For our marines and airmen, sailors and soldiers, loved ones, and friends away from us, for the uncertainty of tomorrow, and for the current situations in places unknown...*we remember:*

People: All those who are deployed.

Prayer 3: Hear our prayers, O Giver of all goodness:

People: O Lord, hear my prayer.

Prayers of the People

Pastor: Receive our prayers, O God, for the sake of our beautiful Savior, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Communion Hymn

#218

Strengthen For
Service, Lord
Green Hymnal

Sending Song

#410

We Give
Thee but
Thine Own
Green
Hymnal