

# Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

## July 19, 2020

### Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

### Old Confession 10

- P** Let us confess our sin to God:  
O Lord, great God, all holy, Father most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love,
- C** We are embarrassed to come before you,  
for we have rebelled against your wisdom and have gotten into trouble,  
for we have rejected your fatherly guidance and have gotten lost altogether.  
And therefore we are embarrassed.  
To you belongs righteousness, O Lord, and to us confusion of face.
- P** O Lord, great God, all holy, Father, most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love.
- C** Incline your ear to our troubles.  
Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before you.  
Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness,  
but on the ground of your great mercy -  
on the ground of your great mercy in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ.  
It is in his name that we pray,  
for He is our Savior and the mediator of the covenant of grace.  
Amen.

### Psalms 103:8-13

- P** Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from Psalm 103:  
"The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever.  
He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.  
For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;  
as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us.  
As a father has compassion for his children, so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him."  
**C** Amen.

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>24</sup>[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, <sup>25</sup>but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. <sup>26</sup>So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. <sup>27</sup>And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?’ <sup>28</sup>He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’ So the servants said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ <sup>29</sup>But he said, ‘No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup>Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’” . . .

<sup>36</sup>Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” <sup>37</sup>He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>The field is the world, and the good seed is the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, <sup>39</sup>and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup>Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. <sup>41</sup>The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, <sup>42</sup>and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## For Your Gift of God the Spirit



For your gift of God the Spir - it, power to make our lives a -  
 He who in cre - a - tion's dawn - ing brood - ed on the life - less  
 He, him - self the liv - ing Au - thor, wakes to life the sac - red  
 He, the might - y God, in - dwells us; his strength - en, help, em -  
 Fa - ther, grant your Ho - ly Spir - it in our hearts may rule to -



new, Pledge of life and hope of glo - ry, Sav - iour,  
 deep, Still a - cross our na - ture's dark - ness moves to  
 Word, reads with us its ho - ly pag - es and re -  
 power; his to o - ver - come the temp - ter, ours to  
 day, grieved not, quenched not, but un - hin - dered, work in



we would wor - ship You. Crown - ing gift of res - ur -  
 wake our souls from sleep, Moves to stir, to draw, to  
 veils our ri - sen Lord. He it is who works with -  
 call in dan - ger's hour. In his strength we dare to  
 us his sov - er - eign way. Fill us with your ho - ly



rec - tion sent from Your a - scen - ded throne, Full - ness  
 qui - cken, thrusts us through with sense of sin; Brings to  
 in us, teach - ing reb - el hearts to pray, he whose  
 bat - tle all the rag - ing hosts of sin, and by  
 full - ness, God the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son; in us,



of the ve - ry God - head, come to make your life our own.  
 birth and seals and fills us, sa - ving Ad - vo - cate with - in.  
 ho - ly in - ter - cess - ions rise for us both night and day.  
 him a - lone we con - quer foes with - out and foes with - in.  
 through us, then, for - e - ver, shall your per - fect will be done.

## Epistle

Romans 8:1-8

<sup>1</sup>There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup>For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. <sup>6</sup>To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup>For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. <sup>8</sup>Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Sermon

## Prayer

## Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the  
dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and  
glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\text{✠}$  of the world to come. Amen.

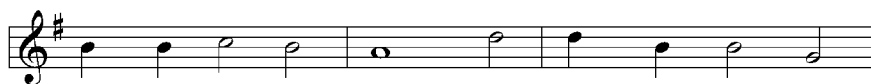
## Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

## 528 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing



1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing My  
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As -  
 3 Je - sus! The name that charms our fears, That  
 4 He breaks the pow'r of can - celed sin; He



great Re - deem - er's praise, The glo - ries of my  
 sist me to pro - claim, To spread through all the  
 bids our sor - rows cease; 'Tis mu - sic in the  
 sets the pris - 'ner free. His blood can make the



God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!  
 earth a - broad, The hon - ors of Thy name.  
 sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.  
 foul - est clean; His blood a - vails for me.

5 Look unto Him, ye nations; own  
 Your God, ye fallen race.  
 Look and be saved through faith alone,  
 Be justified by grace.

6 See all your sins on Jesus laid;  
 The Lamb of God was slain.  
 His soul was once an off'ring made  
 For ev'ry soul of man.

7 To God all glory, praise, and love  
 Be now and ever giv'n  
 By saints below and saints above,  
 The Church in earth and heav'n.



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## 425 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the  
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the  
3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and  
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I  
death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that  
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.  
sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

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