Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 2, 2020

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Confession & Absolution

- Let us confess our sin to God: O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, be the God of your people today!
- We confess that we have worshiped too many other gods. We have devoted ourselves to all too many different values. Turn our hearts to you again!
- O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, be the God of your people today!
- We confess that we have visited all too many sanctuaries.
 We have tried to find the sources of life in all too many other places.
 Turn our hearts to you again!
- P O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, be the God of your people today!
- We turn to you, and to you alone, to be our God, our only God. Forgive our sins. Give us spiritual integrity. Give us wholeness and holiness.

Answer us in the name of Christ, for he has promised to intercede for us.

It is in him that we pray in the fellowship of his body.

P Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from John 3:

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

C Amen.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves."

¹⁶But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.



Epistle Romans 8:16-25

¹⁶The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

¹⁸For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

- P Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.

Apostles' Creed

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 Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life

→ everlasting. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Holy Communion

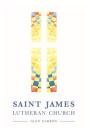


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Zoom Congregational Meeting – All members are encouraged to join us on August 9 at 12:00pm for a congregational meeting to vote on the hiring of an Office Manager. This meeting will be held on Zoom. More information about how to sign up for and join the meeting will be given next week.



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