



THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2021

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

8:00 A.M.

Page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer.

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THE WORD OF GOD

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The Lesson: James (3:13–4:3, 7–8a)

The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 1104

Commentary:

Earlier in chapter 3, James emphasized the need to control the tongue and now he turned to the importance of disciplining the mind, which is key to controlling the tongue. Wisdom in the mind affects use of the tongue. Wisdom from God is marked by purity, graciousness and humility in words and deeds and is concerned with justice and peace. James instructed his readers to ask God for those things He wants us to have; our fundamental prayer should be for our desires to reflect God's will for us. Submission to God means surrendering the human will, bringing our priorities in line with God's priorities. On one hand we are to resist the devil and on the other, we must draw near to God.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But 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. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You 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. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; 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.” But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, “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 be to thee, O Christ.

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The Reverend Cheryl Brainard

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Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Cheryl Brainard

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