



THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 10 OCTOBER 2021

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

8:00 A.M.

Page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer.

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

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The Lesson: Hebrews (4:12–16)

The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 1093

Commentary:

The author of Hebrews tells us that God's Word can reach to the innermost recesses of our being, discerning motives as well as actions. There are no secrets from God, who perceives thoughts and intentions. However, Jesus Christ, our Great High Priest, has proved faithful through suffering and He now intercedes for us in God's presence. Jesus experienced temptation in every area of His life, as we do. Because Jesus was fully human, He understands us and sympathizes with us when we struggle. Jesus' temptations were greater than ours because He experienced them to the full, He never yielded to them. Since we have such a High Priest to intercede for us with God, we can approach God confidently in prayer.

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel: Mark (10:17–31)

The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 923

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not

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steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.” Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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The Rev. Cheryl Brainard

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Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Cheryl Brainard

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