



THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 2 OCTOBER 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

8:00 A.M.

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 323

The Collect for Purity

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Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Kyrie eleison

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The Collect of the Day

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Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lesson: 2 Timothy 1:1–14

The Holy Bible; *NRSV*, p. 1080

Commentary: Paul's second letter to his spiritual son Timothy was written from a Roman prison at a time when Christians faced increasing persecution throughout the Roman Empire. Because of persecution, some of Paul's co-workers had chosen to maintain a much lower profile where ministry was concerned. Timothy faced this same temptation, so Paul urged him to remain faithful to his calling and to preach the Word boldly. Paul also reminded Timothy that the God who calls is the same God who gives His servants spiritual power and gifts to carry out the work. Although Paul wrote from prison, his confidence in God's faithfulness remained unchanged. Remembering God's faithfulness in the past strengthens His children to trust Him with the challenges, difficulties and uncertainties of the present and future.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for

this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

People The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 17:5–10

NRSV, p. 956

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’”

People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.

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Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.

*The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
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