

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

18 August 2019

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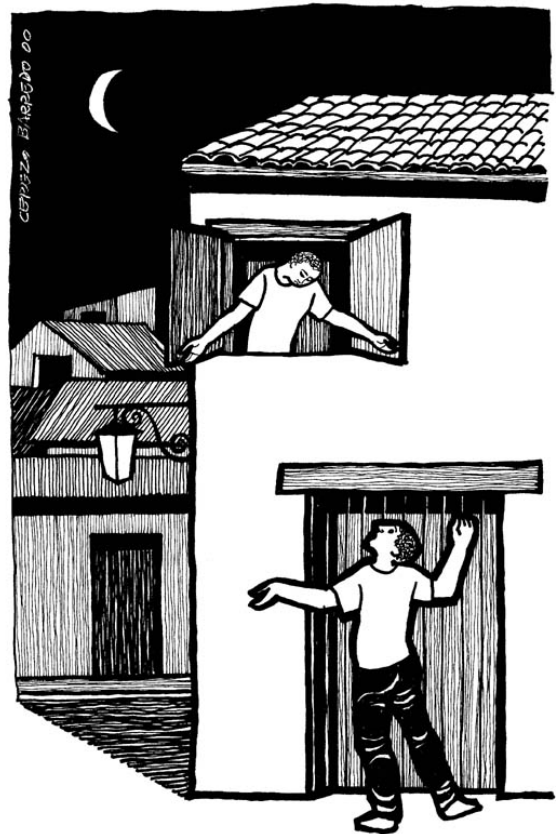
155 O Lord my God

455 For all the saints who from
their labours rest

526 Lord Jesus Christ, you have
come to us

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SENTENCE

‘Is not my word like fire,’ says the Lord, ‘and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?’

COLLECT

Everliving God,
increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking sin and all that hinders us,
we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to
Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith; who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

READINGS

A reading from the prophecy of Jeremiah:

Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, ‘I have dreamed, I have dreamed!’ How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back - those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully.

What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Jeremiah 23.23-29

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

We say the verses of Psalm 82 alternately:

God has taken his stand in the council of heaven; in the midst of the gods
he gives judgement:

‘How long will you judge unjustly and show such favour to the wicked?’

‘You were to judge the weak and the orphan; defend the right of the
humble and needy;

**‘Rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the hand of the
wicked.**

‘They have no knowledge or wisdom; they walk on still in darkness: all the
foundations of the earth are shaken.

**‘Therefore I say that though you are gods and all of you children of the
Most High,**

‘Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals and fall like one of their princes.’

**Arise, O God and judge the earth, for it is you that shall take all nations
for your possession.**

Psalm 82

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews:

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets - who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented - of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 11.29-12.2

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus said: 'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

'And why do you not judge for yourselves what is right? Thus, when you go with your accuser before a magistrate, on the way make an effort to settle the case, or you may be dragged before the judge, and the judge hand you over to the officer, and the officer throw you in prison. I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the very last penny.'

Luke 12.49-59

This is the Gospel of the Lord, **praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

PRAYERS

Anglican Church: Anglican Church of Southern Africa (Abp Thabo Makgoba); Diocese of North West Australia (Bp Gary Nelson, Clergy & People); Diocesan Liturgical Committee; Parish of St John's, Flinders w. St Marks Balnarring (Jennifer Furphy); St John's Toorak - Confirmation Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell); All Saints Barwon Heads - Confirmation Service (Bp Kate Prowd).

For the parish: Give thanks for those who nurture community in our parish: St Aidan's Painters, Torquay Craft Group, the Op Shop, those who visit parishioners, those who arrange parish meals; and pray that they may be inspired by Jesus who nurtured community.

For the sick or in need: Keiran & Paul, Gail Lubie, Sally Newson, Michael M, Joan B, John Bell, Deirdre B, Yvonne, Sam McGowan, Jenny & Greg, Ellie May and Olivia Jury, Coco, Jane M, Tom W, Boris & Maie Z, David T and those known to us in need of our prayers.

Please inform the Parish Office if any of these people have recovered, for which we can give thanks; also any other answered prayers of significance are invited for sharing through the pew-sheet.

Community of the sick: Heather Weiss, Therese Cummins, Don, Alec Baker, Fiona Tunley, Jenny Stewart, Glen Bechly, Russ Pickering, Terry Mervin.

This section is for those who need ongoing prayers for strength, courage, and peace of heart, mind and soul as they journey onwards.

Year's mind

19th Dare Watkins
20th June Duncan
22nd Samantha Petrie
23rd Doreen Millar

Birthdays & Anniversaries

22nd Ron Driscoll
23rd Ken & Chris Farrow (anniv)