

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

25 August 2019

HYMNS

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SENTENCE

You, O Lord, are my hope, my trust from my youth. Upon you have I leaned since my birth.

COLLECT

O God, the Judge of all, through the saving blood of your Son you have brought us to the heavenly Jerusalem and given us a kingdom which cannot be shaken: fill us with reverence and awe in your presence, that in thanksgiving we and all your Church may offer you acceptable worship; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives to intercede for us, now and for ever. **Amen.**

READINGS

A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah:

If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.

The Lord will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,

whose waters never fail.
Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.
If you refrain from trampling the sabbath,
from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;
if you call the sabbath a delight
and the holy day of the Lord honourable;
if you honour it, not going your own ways,
serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;
then you shall take delight in the Lord,
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Isaiah 58.9b-14

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

We say the verses from Psalm 103 alternately:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits;

Who forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities;

**Who redeems your life from the Pit and crowns you with faithful love
and compassion;**

Who satisfies you with good things, so that your youth is renewed like an
eagle's.

**The Lord executes righteousness and judgement for all who are
oppressed.**

He made his ways known to Moses and his works to the children of Israel.

**The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and of great
kindness.**

Psalm 103.1-8

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews:

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly

Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken - that is, created things - so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Hebrews 12.18-29

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

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life.
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 was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Luke 13.10-17

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

PRAYERS

Anglican Church: Anglican Church of South America (Bp Gregory James Venables); Diocese of The Northern Territory (Bp Greg Anderson, Clergy & People); Diocesan Risk Management & Insurance (Matthew Wilson, Manager); Christ Church Geelong (Russell Trickey); St Matthias North Richmond - Service (Bp Genieve Blackwell); St Stephen's Belmont - Confirmation Service (Bp Kate Prowd).

For the parish: Give thanks for those who support our parish life: the Op Shop team, Maintenance committee, the Parish Treasurer and office support, and those who contribute through rostered help at each centre; and pray that they do this all in the name of Jesus, who called people to serve others.

For the sick or in need: Keiran & Paul, Gail Lubie, Sally Newson, Michael M, Joan B, John Bell, Deirdre B, Yvonne, Sam McGowan, Coco, Jane M, Tom W, Boris & Maie Z, Judy B, Pauline R, 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

25th Joan Niblett
28th Frances McPherson

Birthdays & Anniversaries

25th John Born,
27th Anne Shepherd (anniv)
28th Roger Brown
30th Julie Shirley