

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost- *Trinity XI* MORNING PRAYER



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Morning Prayer

Hymn: *From All That Dwell Below The Skies*

1 From all that dwell below the skies,
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
Through ev'ry land by ev'ry tongue.

2 Eternal are Thy mercies Lord;
Eternal truth attends Thy Word;
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore
Till suns shall rise and set no more.

*The Officiant begins the service with sentences
and the confession: BCP p. 78 ff*

TRINITY-TIDE SUNDAY SENTENCES

DEARLY BELOVED, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence may be kept.

MOST merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest alone stands and says

ALMIGHTY GOD have mercy on you, forgive you all
your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in
eternal life. *Amen.*

Officiant O Lord, open our lips.

People *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

All *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to
the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be forever. Amen.*

*Then follows the Venite and the psalm appointed for Morning Prayer.
The congregation may be seated.*

THE INVITATORY

*In Unison: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God:
Come let us adore him.*

Jubilate *Psalm 100* (read in unison) **BCP. p. 82**

BE JOYFUL in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.
Amen.

*In Unison: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God:
Come let us adore him.*

THE PSALTER

Poem for reflection

How happy is the little Stone

1510

How happy is the little Stone
That rambles in the Road alone,
And doesn't care about Careers
And Exigencies never fears—
Whose Coat of elemental Brown
A passing Universe put on,

And independent as the Sun
Associates or glows alone,
Fulfilling absolute Decree
In casual simplicity—

Emily Dickinson

time for evasion. Peter speaks for the disciples, for Matthew's gospel and the community to which it is first addressed, and certainly for us, announcing that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of the Living God (16:15-16). Jesus confirms this "confession" by Peter as a mark of God's blessing and as the "rock" upon which he will build his church (16:17-18).

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- 1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
that great is the glory of the LORD.
- 7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.

9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit:*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.
Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD IN SCRIPTURE

The First Lesson *is taken from the book of the Prophet Isaiah, the fifty first chapter, beginning at the first verse. (Isaiah 51:1-6)*

1 Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. 2 Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. 3 For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. 4 Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. 5 I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. 6 Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it

In art Bartholomew is most commonly depicted with a beard and curly hair at the time of his martyrdom. According to legends he was skinned alive and beheaded so is often depicted holding his flayed skin or the curved flensing knife with which he was skinned.



Gospel Reflection

Today's lesson has fittingly been acknowledged as pivotal and climactic in Matthew's narrative of Jesus' Galilean ministry. The stories to this point have repeatedly pressed the issue of faith and discipleship as the many stories of Jesus' teaching and healing have led these disciples and ourselves to expect some things about this one called the Son of Man. And now these stories are focused in Jesus' intensely direct and personal question and in Peter's response. "But who do *you* say that I am?" There is no escape and this is no

Commemorations in the Episcopal Church for Trinitytide/Season after Pentecost

Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud
of witnesses... [Hebrews 12:1]

Week of August 23rd to August 29th

- August 24 [Saint Bartholomew the Apostle](#)
- August 25 [Louis](#), King of France, 1270 (also in the [Philippines](#), alternative commemoration for [Charles Henry Brent](#))
- August 27 [Thomas Gallaudet](#), 1902, and [Henry Winter Syle](#), 1890
- August 28 [Augustine](#), Bishop of Hippo, 430. [Moses the Black](#), Desert Father and Martyr, c. 400
- August 29 [John Bunyan](#), Writer, 1688



This Week's Focus on a Commemoration:

Bartholomew was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus according to the New Testament. He has also been identified as Nathanael or Nathaniel, who appears in the Gospel of John when introduced to Jesus by Philip (who also became an apostle), (John 1:43–51) although many modern commentators reject the identification of Nathanael with Bartholomew. Eusebius of Caesarea's Ecclesiastical History (5:10) states that after the Ascension, Bartholomew went on a missionary tour to India, where he left behind a copy of the Gospel of Matthew. Other traditions record him as serving as a missionary in Ethiopia, Mesopotamia, Parthia, and Lycaonia. Popular traditions and legends say that Bartholomew preached the Gospel in India, then went to Greater Armenia.

will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

Here ends the first Lesson.

HYMN

Holy Wisdom

1 Who comes from God, as Word and Breath?

Holy Wisdom.

Who holds the keys of life and death?

Mighty Wisdom.

Crafter and Creator too,

Eldest, she makes all things new;

Wisdom guides what God would do,

Wisest One, Radiant One,

welcome, Holy Wisdom.

2 Who lifts her voice for all to hear?

Joyful Wisdom.

Who shapes a thought and makes it clear?

Truthful Wisdom.

Teacher, drawing out our best,

magnifies what we invest,

names our truth, directs our quest.

Wisest One, Radiant One,

welcome, Holy Wisdom.

3 Whom should we seek with all our heart?

Loving Wisdom.

Who, once revealed, will not depart?

Faithful Wisdom.

Partner, Counselor, Comforter,

love has found none lovelier,

life is gladness lived with her.

Wisest One, Radiant One,
welcome, Holy Wisdom.

The second Lesson *is taken from the Gospel of Matthew, the sixteenth chapter, beginning at the Thirteenth verse. (Matthew 16:13-20)*

13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" 14 And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." 15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" 16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." 17 And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. 18 And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." 20 Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Here ends the second Lesson.

The following canticle is said in unison. The Apostle's Creed follows.

TE DEUM (YOU ARE GOD) **BCP. p. 95**

You are God: we praise you;
You are the Lord; we acclaim you;
You are the eternal Father:
All creation worships you.

2 Christ for the world we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with fervent pray'r:
the wayward and the lost,
by restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost
from dark despair.

3 Christ for the world we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with one accord:
with us the work to share,
with us reproach to dare,
with us the cross to bear,
for Christ our Lord.

4 Christ for the world we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with joyful song:
the newborn souls whose days,
reclaimed from error's ways,
inspired with hope and praise,
to Christ belong.

make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

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ALMIGHTY GOD, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

LET us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Officiant may then conclude with one of the following

MAY the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Romans 15:13

HYMN: *Christ For The World We Sing*

1 Christ for the world we sing;
the world to Christ we bring
with loving zeal:
the poor and them that mourn,
the faint and overborne,
sin-sick and sorrow worn,
whom Christ doth heal.

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

The glorious company of apostles praise you.

The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you;

Father, of majesty unbounded,
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the king of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.

When you became man to set us free

you did not shun the Virgin's womb.

You overcame the sting of death

and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory.

We believe that you will come and be our judge.

Come then, Lord, and help your people,
bought with the price of your own blood,
and bring us with your saints
to glory everlasting.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit:*

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

HOMILY

HYMN

O Spirit Of The Living God

1 O Spirit of the living God,
in all the fullness of your grace,
wherever human feet have trod,
descend upon our fallen race.

2 Give tongues of fire and hearts of love
to preach the reconciling word;
anoint with power from heaven above
whenever gospel truth is heard.

or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; [especially those for whom our prayers are desired]; that it may please you to comfort and relieve them according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ, his sake. Amen.

The General Thanksgiving

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Officiant and People

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and

- Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mark our Bishop, Arthur and William our associate bishops;
- For the whole world for which Jesus died and rose again, that this pandemic may bring about a permanent dismantling of the dividing walls that have set us in opposition to one another, and so, wounded the love of God
- Our parish family, that God will draw us closer to God's self and to one another, through this pandemic. For seniors who are isolated from families; for those who have lost their jobs and miss their friendships. For care givers who work in selfless dedication to others, especially the sick and the dying.
- For all who have asked our prayers: Jeanette, Charlie, Mary, Robert, Amber & Family, William, Neil, Cathy, Rebecca, Donald, Anna, Bob, Dorothy, Thelma, Shirley, Georgette, Joan, Donna, Pastor Tim, the May family, Darlene Housley, Johanna, Callie, Jan, Joe, Barb, Peggy, Deb, Shannon, Larry
- Faithful departed:

For All Sorts and Conditions of People

O GOD, the creator and preserver of all humankind, we humbly beseech you for people everywhere and in their circumstances that you would be pleased to make your ways known to them, your saving health to all nations. More especially we pray for your holy Church universal; that it may be so guided and governed by your good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to your fatherly goodness all those who are in any ways afflicted

3 Let darkness turn to radiant light,
confusion vanish from your path;
those who are weak inspire with might:
let mercy triumph over wrath!

4 O Spirit of our God, prepare
the whole wide world the Lord to meet;
breathe out new life, like morning air,
till hearts of stone begin to beat.

5 Baptize the nations; far and near
the triumphs of the cross record;
till Christ in glory shall appear
and every race declare him Lord! Amen.

THE PRAYERS

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The People stand or kneel

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

Then follows one of these sets of Suffrages

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.
V. Day by day we bless you;
R. We praise your name for ever.
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
R. For we put our trust in you.
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
R. And we shall never hope in vain.

The Officiant then says one or more of the following Collects

Sunday Collects

Pentecost XII

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Collect for the Renewal of Life

O GOD, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Peace

O GOD, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Intercessions (As offered by)

Parish Intercession/Prayer List:
