

# TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

St. John's Episcopal Church, Ithaca NY

October 24, 2021 Year B

10:30 AM

\* Indicates please stand

**Prelude** *Antiphon, Morning Hymn and Praeludium*

**Gordon Young (1919–98)**

**\*Hymn** Praise, my, soul, the king of Heaven (*Lauda anima*)

**Hymnal # 410**

## **\*Opening Acclamation**

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen*

## **\*Collect for Purity**

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

## **\*Gloria**

**Hymnal # S-280**

## **\*The Collect of The Day**

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## **First Lesson**

**Job 42:1–6, 10–17**

Job answered the Lord:

“I know that you can do all things,  
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.  
‘Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?’  
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,  
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.  
‘Hear, and I will speak;  
I will question you, and you declare to me.’  
I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,  
but now my eye sees you;  
therefore I despise myself,  
and repent in dust and ashes.”

And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had

known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

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

**Psalm 34:1–8**

***Benedicam Dominum***

1 I will bless the Lord at all times; \*  
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

2 I will glory in the Lord; \*  
let the humble hear and rejoice.

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;  
\*  
let us exalt his Name together.

4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me \*  
and delivered me out of all my terror.

5 Look upon him and be radiant, \*  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

6 I called in my affliction and  
the Lord heard me \*  
and saved me from all my troubles.

7 The angel of the Lord encompasses  
those who fear him, \*  
and he will deliver them.

8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*  
happy are they who trust in him!

**The Epistle Reading**

**Hebrews 7:23–28**

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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

**\*The Gospel Reading**

**Mark 10:46–52**

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

*Glory be to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What

do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## The Sermon

The Rev. Megan Castellan

### \*The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius  
Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living  
and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the  
giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped  
and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and  
apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### \*The Prayers of the People

Jesus, our great high priest, makes constant intercession for his people. Joining with him, let us lift our voices in prayer, responding to each petition, "Hear us, O Spirit of Truth."

+ That we may listen to the cries of those who call to us out of desperation and despair, and respond to their needs with mercy and compassion; let us pray.

**Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

+ In thanksgiving for Christ's sacrificial gift of love, for our liberation from the binding chains of sin, and for his invitation to repentance and promise of new life; let us pray.

**Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

+ That peace may prevail in all the world, so that farmlands, education, security, health care, and hope may be restored to those who have suffered the tyranny of war and poverty; let us pray.

**Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

+ That honesty and integrity may define those who work in our financial institutions, who serve in government agencies, and who report the news from a variety of perspectives; let us pray.

**Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

+ That we may be a people of thanksgiving and gratitude, witnessing to God’s generosity, offering the fruits of our labors to the glory of God, joining together in the household of faith to proclaim the kingdom through word and deed; let us pray.

**Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

+ For those who have died in the hope of the resurrection; may they rejoice with angels, archangels, and all the company of heaven; let us pray.

**Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

In the faith that makes all things new, we continue our prayers and thanksgivings.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, and especially for:

Dave	Cindy	Vivian	Theodore	Jane
Amelia	Dan	Sara	Joan	Margaret
Dani	Wes	Felice	Cathey	Elaine
Mary	Jean	Edith	Laurie	
Tom	Pat	Lorraine	Tina	
Carl	Giovanna	John	Judy	

For those celebrating the anniversary of their birth this week:

Sarah Anderson, Rob Steuteville, Elsa Wagner, Melinda Oakes

**Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.*

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.*

**\*The Peace**

*Please remain in your pen. Wave!*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*And also with you.*

**Announcements & Welcome**

**Offertory Sentence**

**Offertory Anthem** *The Chorister's Prayer*

**Jacob Dishman, 2020**

Bless, O Lord, us thy servants, who minister in thy temple.  
Grant that what we sing with our lips, we may believe in our hearts;  
and what we believe in our hearts, we may show forth in our lives.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*Presentation Hymn** *My God, the table now is spread (Rockingham)*

**Hymnal # 321, omit vs. 3**

**\*The Great Thanksgiving** Expanded Language Prayer A

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you

**Celebrant:** Lift up your hearts

**People:** We lift them to the Lord

**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**Celebrant:** *continuing:* Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, holy, holy (*Sanctus*)**

**Hymnal # S-130**

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had fallen into sin and became subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, He broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, He gave it to them, and said "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died**

**Christ is risen**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day, bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

### **Fraction**

**Lamb of God** (*Agnus Dei*)

**Hymnal # S-164**

### **The Communion of the People**

*All people are invited to the Lord's Table. Eucharist will be distributed in the form of the bread with wine available for intincture. Please come forward in a single line in the center aisle to receive. Wait to remove your mask until you return to your seat, and then replace it after consuming the Sacrament.*

### **Post Communion Prayer**

*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **Blessing**

**\*Hymn** Surely it is God who saves me (*Thomas Merton*)

**Hymnal # 679**

### **Dismissal**

**Postlude** *Carillon in F*

Gordon Young (1919–98)

**Liturgical Ministers:** Jennifer Amberg, Mike Roman, Jerome Fung

*Service Music Sung by the St. John's Cyber Choir*

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God in memory of Ted Sobel by his sister and brother-in-law Christie Sobel and Matthew Sanaker.

## HYMN LYRICS

**Praise my soul, the King of heaven (*Lauda anima*)**  
**HYMNAL # 410**

1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
to his feet thy tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
evermore his praises sing:  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise the everlasting King.

2 Praise him for his grace and favor  
to his people in distress;  
praise him still the same as ever,  
slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Glorious in his faithfulness.

3 Father-like he tends and spares us;  
well our feeble frame he knows;  
in his hand he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Widely yet his mercy flows.

4 Angels, help us to adore him;  
you behold him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before him,  
dwellers all in time and space.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise with us the God of grace.

**My God, the table now is spread**  
**(*Rockingham*)** **HYMNAL # 321**

1 My God, thy table now is spread,  
thy cup with love doth overflow;  
be all thy children thither led,  
and let them thy sweet mercies know.

2 O let thy table honored be,  
and furnished well with joyful guests:  
and may each soul salvation see,  
that here its sacred pledges tastes.

4 Nor let thy spreading Gospel rest  
till through the world thy truth has run,  
till with this Bread all men be blest  
who see the light or feel the sun.

**Surely it is God who saves me (*Thomas Merton*)**  
**HYMNAL 679**

1 Surely it is God who saves me;  
trusting him, I shall not fear.  
For the Lord defends and shields me  
and his saving help is near.  
So rejoice as you draw water  
from salvation's living spring;  
in the day of your deliverance  
thank the Lord, his mercies sing.

2 Make his deeds know to the peoples;  
tell out his exalted Name.  
Praise the Lord, who has done great things;  
all his works his might proclaim,  
Zion, lift your voice in singing;  
for with you has come to dwell,  
in your very midst, the great  
and Holy One of Israel.

Hymn 679 – Surely it is God who saves me  
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Sign up for our weekly newsletter **The Fledgling** by contacting the church office.

**Cyber Choir** continues this fall and welcomes new participants. For info, see our Director of Music/Organist Karen Hindenlang at coffee hour or contact her through the church office.

**TODAY** we welcome a new Choral Scholar, Caitlin Glastonbury, into our ongoing Cyber Choir. Caitlin is a voice major at Ithaca College and comes from Rochester NY.

**ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY MEMORIAL FLOWERS: All Saints' Sunday is October 31.** Anyone wishing to donate toward the flowers for All Saints' day, please send in your donation to the office with the memo “**All Saints' Day flowers**” and note any name(s) you wish to have listed on the Necrology list.

To list a name in the necrology, please email, drop a list in the offering plate, or call the parish office with name(s) you wish to have included by **Wednesday, 27 October**.

### **Please Join Us**

Coffee Hour, today after the 10:30 service in the front yard (weather permitting).

Join us for Morning Prayer weekdays at 9:30 on **FaceBook & YouTube**.

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