



# The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

27 September 2020 AD

## A LITURGY OF THE WORD [PART ONE] COMMUNION IN THE BACK LOT [PART TWO]

Prelude

### Opening Hymn 557 “Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart”

- 1 Rejoice, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks and sing!  
Your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.  
*Refrain: Hosanna, hosanna! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing.*
- 2 With all the angel choirs, with all the saints of earth,  
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rapture, noblest mirth. *(Refrain)*
- 3 Your clear hosannas raise and alleluias loud;  
while answering echoes upward float, like wreaths of incense cloud. *(Refrain)*
- 4 Yes, on through life’s long path, still chanting as ye go;  
from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe. *(Refrain) . . .*
- 7 Then on, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks and sing!  
Your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King. *(Refrain)*

*Priest:* Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People:** And also with you.

*The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity* **Prayer Book page in blue brackets [355]**

### Hymn of Praise 402 “Let All the World”

*[Antiphon:] Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!*

- 1 The heavens are not too high, his praise may thither fly;  
the earth is not too low, his praises there may grow. *[Antiphon]*
- 2 The Church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out;  
but, above all, the heart must bear the longest part. *[Antiphon]*

### The Collect of the Day

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*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Priest:* Let us pray.

*The Collect of the Day is said.*

### Lesson

*A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel.* [Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32] *The Word of the Lord.* *[People: Thanks be to God.]*

### Gradual Psalm 25:1-8 read in unison

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*

- let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord, \*  
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.

### **Epistle**

*A Reading from the Letter to the Philippians.* [Philippians 2:1-13] *The Word of the Lord.* [People: Thanks be to God.]

### **Sequence Hymn 574** “Before Thy Throne”

- 1 Before thy throne, O God, we kneel: give us a conscience quick to feel,  
a ready mind to understand the meaning of thy chastening hand;  
whate’er the pain and shame may be, bring us, O Father, nearer thee.
- 2 Search out our hearts and make us true; help us to give to all their due.  
From love of pleasure, lust of gold, from sins which make the heart grow cold,  
wean us and train us with thy rod; teach us to know our faults, O God.
- 3 For sins of heedless word and deed, for pride ambitions to succeed,  
for crafty trade and subtle snare to catch the simple unaware,  
for lives bereft of purpose high, forgive, forgive, O Lord, we cry.
- 4 Let the fierce fires which burn and try, our inmost spirits purify:  
consume the ill; purge out the shame; O God, be with us in the flame;  
a newborn people may we rise, more pure, more true, more nobly wise.

### **The Holy Gospel**

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.* [People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.] [Matthew 21:23-32] *The Gospel of the Lord.* [People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.]

**The Sermon** *silence follows the sermon*

### **The Nicene Creed**

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**W**e 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.

### **Prayers of the People**

*The Leader concludes each petition: Gracious God,  
And the People respond: **May we be open.***

### **Confession and Absolution**

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*The Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

*All:* 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 says the Absolution.*

**The Peace**    *Reach out to someone today to share God's peace.*

**Anthem**    *Prayer to Jesus*

*George Oldroyd (1887-1956)*

Jhesu, since Thou me made and bought, be Thou my love and all my thought,  
And help that I may to Thee be brought; withouten Thee I may do nought.

Jhesu, since Thou must do Thy will, and naething is that Thee may let,  
With Thy grace my heart fulfil, my love and my liking in Thee is set.  
Jhesu, at Thy will I pray that I might be,  
All my heart fulfil, with perfect love to Thee.  
That I have done ill, Jhesu, forgive Thou me,  
And suffer me never to spill, Jhesu, for pity. Amen.

- Richard Rolle (1300-1349)

## The Lord's Prayer

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As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

*Officiant and People pray the Lord's Prayer.*

## The Blessing

### Closing Hymn 690 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

- 1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand;  
bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore,  
feed me now and evermore.
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through;  
strong deliverer, strong deliverer be thou still my strength and shield,  
be thou still my strength and shield.
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;  
death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side;  
songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee,  
I will ever give to thee.

## Dismissal

*Priest* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Postlude

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### COMMUNION AVAILABLE TODAY

**Y**ou are invited to our back parking lot to continue our worship and to receive Holy Communion at 11 o'clock this morning. Please print the "Addendum" to this bulletin and bring it with you. When you arrive, orient the front of your car toward the top of the stairway and tune to 92.7 FM. Consecrated bread will be brought around to each car. We will offer a "Fellowship Hour" after this form of worship when we are no longer a COVID hotspot.

We will collect *Seven on Sunday* gifts at 11. To participate please put seven coins, or seven bills, or a check in multiples of seven in an envelope and bring it to the Back Lot Communion for collection.

On Sundays we receive the gifts of the people for the support of the church and its mission in the world. Please mail your gifts to **The Church of the Messiah, P O Box 70367, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572.**



Seven on Sunday  
Collection Today

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ADDENDUM FOR

## HOLY COMMUNION

*for those coming to the back parking lot to receive communion.*

*Please print this section and bring it with you.*

*You may, alternatively, bring your Prayer Book and go to page 361 ff.*

*As you arrive, please park your car facing the red cross  
and tune your radio to 92.7 FM*

***This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord.***

***It is made ready for those who love God  
and for those who want to love God more.***

***So come, you who have much faith and you who have little,***

***You who have been here often and you who have not been here long,***

***You who have tried to follow and you who have failed.***

***Come, because it is the Lord who invites you.***

***It is the Almighty's will that those who want God should meet God here.***

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*Prayer Book page in blue brackets [361]*

*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 him thanks and praise.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become 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 Father of all.

He 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 Lord 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 he 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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

## **The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation**

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*Officiant:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*The Officiant says:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Communion (bread only) is distributed. It is enclosed in a tiny bag which was created while masked and gloved. It has also been frozen for two weeks for additional safety. After all have received, we join to pray:*

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Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## **Dismissal**

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**



We are the Episcopal Church of the Messiah in the City of Myrtle Beach. Our *Vision* is to be an intentionally inclusive community called to love the Lord and to serve God's world in a spirit of reconciliation, hope, and healing. The *Mission* of our church is to practice following Jesus to experience for ourselves and share with others God's love by serving the world in Christ's name.

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