

LAZARUS AND THE RICH MAN



THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Proper 21, Year C

25 September 2022

10:30 A.M.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

THE WORD OF THE GOD

Rejoice, ye pure in heart! MARION

Hymnal 556

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Benedictus es, Domine

Hymnal S 236

**Glory to you Lord God of our fathers;
and peace to his people on earth.
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.**

**Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.**

**Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;
we praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

**Glory to you, beholding the depths;
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.**

**Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

Collect of the Day

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

Let us pray.

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, forever and ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

32.1-3a,6-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the

guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD. And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

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

Psalm 91.1-6,14-16 *Qui habitat*

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most / **High**,
abides under the shadow of the Al- / **mighty**.

2 He shall say to the LORD,
"You are my refuge and my / **stronghold**,
my God in whom I put my / **trust**."

3 He shall deliver you from the snare of the / **hunter**
and from the deadly / **pestilence**.

4 He shall cover you with his pinions,
and you shall find refuge under his / **wings**;
his faithfulness shall be a shield and / **buckler**.

5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by / **night**,
nor of the arrow that flies by / **day**;

6 Of the plague that stalks in the / **darkness**,
nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid- / **day**.

14 Because he is bound to me in / **love**,
therefore will I de- / **live him**;
I will protect him, because he knows my / **Name**.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will / **answer him**;

I am with him in / **trouble**;
I will rescue him and bring him to / **honor**.

16 With long life will I / **satisfy him**,
and show him my sal- / **vation**.

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy.

6.6-19

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! WOODLANDS

Hymnal 438

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

16.19-31

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

**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 Form VI

BCP 392

The leader says

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin of Canterbury; Michael our presiding bishop; Andrew, Hector, Kai, and Jeff, our own bishops; for Christopher our rector and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *Silence*

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| Lonnita | Pete & Martha | Frances | Georg |
| Pinky | Brooks | Terry & Linda | Lynn |
| Dwight | Carolyn | BJ | |

The intercessor adds names from [PRAYER LIST] and then the People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord; **For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. *Silence*

For those celebrating birthdays: Tanya Jameson, Ann Rugeley, Weldon Koenig, Emmy Neal, Kim Henry, Naomi Amoss, Asher Bradley. [PRAYER LIST]

For those celebrating anniversaries: .Mary Ann & Larry Hatfield, Carolyn & Trey Cheatham [PRAYER LIST]

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died [especially PRAYER LIST]; that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The intercessor reads from [PRAYER LIST] and the People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept.*

Leader and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebrant concludes with the absolution and bids the peace.

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

Girl Scouts: A Service of Recognition—Emmy Neal

Lord, your Son has called all of us into the adventures of learning and serving. We thank you for Emmy and for this moment of joyous celebration. Continue to challenge all of us to grow in Christian service, that your kingdom may become a reality in and through our lives. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence and Offertory Anthem

Poor Man Lazarus W/M: Spiritual, arr. Jester Hairston, 1950

Choir

Hairston, (1901-2000) a grandson of slaves in Carolina, was a noted composer, arranger, songwriter, and actor. You may remember him from *St. Louis Blues*, *The Alamo*, and *To Kill a Mockingbird*. He was nearly fired from singing with the Hall Johnson singers in Harlem: his acquired Massachusetts speech patterns didn't fit!

Johnson told him, "We're singing ain't and cain't and you're singing shahn't and cahn't and they don't mix in a spiritual." His arrangements of *Amen* and other songs are remembered from *Lilies of the Field*. His Christmas song *Mary's Boy Child* is an all-time favorite. His music reflects his gifted creativity and his study at Tufts University (with a full scholarship) and at Julliard.

Poor Man Lazrus relates the gospel account of the un-named rich man (given the name "Divies" in this spiritual) and the beggar Lazarus. The rich man begs Father Abraham to ask Lazarus to "dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue."

Poor man Lazrus, sick and disabled,
Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue,
'Cause I'm tormented in the flame.
He had to eat crumbs from the rich man's table.
Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue,
'Cause I'm tormented in the flame.

Refrain I'm tormented in the flame...

Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue,
'Cause I'm tormented in the flame.

Rich man Divies, he lived so well...
And when he died, he went straight to Hell... ***Refrain***

I love to shout, I love to sing...
I love to praise my heav'nly King... ***Refrain***

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow OLD 100TH

Hymnal 380, v. 3

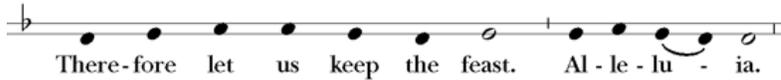
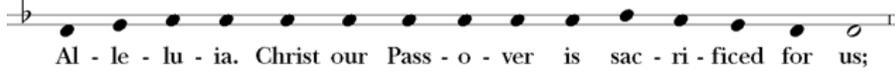
**but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

Silence follows the breaking of bread and then the fraction anthem

This setting is not used in Lent.



This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

The Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymns

Father all loving, who rulest in majesty WAS LEBET

Hymnal 568

"Thy kingdom come!" on bended knee ST. FLAVIAN

Hymnal 615

Postcommunion Prayer

as announced

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**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.**

**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.**

The Blessing and Dismissal
People Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMEN

Saint James' workday is Monday, 26 September. If interested in volunteering, please contact Sue Spaulding. Food of the month is canned vegetables such as peas, carrots, corn, potatoes, etc. Drop off basket is in the parish hall.

There is a dire need for canned & boxed foods at the food pantry due to increase in number of customers and shortage of supplies that the Texas Food Bank has on hand. Please bring your donations to the church and Sue will pick up as soon as possible.

For all women of St. James

Fall is in the air. Please join us on Thursday, 6 October, at 11:00. We will be meeting at the Box Office for Fayette County Community Theatre located on the side street behind Bodega. We will learn how the theatre began, how the plays are selected and much more.

There is a promise of entertainment by some of our local talented actors which is sure to be fun! Afterward, we will stroll to Bodega where we will enjoy a Dutch treat lunch and fellowship. Please RSVP to Cathy, so we can alert Bodega.

Holy Smokers and ECW Cook

Saturday, 8 October at 10:30 A.M. This will benefit "Parents as Teachers."

MEN'S CLUB MEETING

Monday, 10 October. Location : Frondorf's. Hosts: Frondorf, Cauble, Dixon. More information forthcoming.

Second Chance Emporium

St. James' work week 18-22 October. If interested in volunteering, contact Lil Landry or Barbara Calliotte.

The Bishop is coming on Sunday, 30 October 2022

Bishop Fisher, one of the suffragan bishops of the Diocese of Texas, will be with us as the celebrant and preacher for the 10:30 A.M. service on Sunday, 30 October. If you are interested in being confirmed or received into The Episcopal Church, this would be the perfect time. Please speak with the rector as soon as possible, and he will arrange how to prepare,

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| <p>25 September 2022</p> <p>8 A.M. – Rite One</p> <p>Subdeacon Chuck Gibson Lector Dick Frenzel Usher Jim Malik Counter Paul Crain Vestry Bill Patton Altar Guild Team - all teams</p> | <p>10:30 A.M. – Rite Two</p> <p>Subdeacon Jimmy Helms Lector Greg Northrup Usher Joe Bailey and Doc Ayres Intercessor Mary Kahanek Vestry Bill Patton Altar Guild Team</p> | <p>2 October 2022</p> <p>8 A.M. – Rite One</p> <p>Subdeacon Dianna Berg Lector Joe Jameson Usher Mike Parrish Counter Gibsons Vestry Judy Balch Altar Guild Team - all teams</p> | <p>10:30 A.M. – Rite Two</p> <p>Subdeacon Doc Ayres Lector Judy Balch Usher Mary & Larry Kahanek Intercessor Jim Holmes Vestry Judy Balch Altar Guild Team –</p> |
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