

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

INTRODUCTION

In the name of the Father, and of ✠ the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The PRAYERS OF PENITENCE are introduced.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.**

**We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.**

**For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;**

**and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life,**

to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon ✠ and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

KYRIE ELEÏSON follows.

Lord, have mercy. *℟.* **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. *℟.* **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. *℟.* **Lord, have mercy.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS is recited.

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to
his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God
and Father, we worship you, we give you
thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the
sin of the world: have mercy on us; you
are seated at the right hand of the Father:**

receive our prayer.

**For you alone are the Holy One, you
alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most
High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in
the glory ✠ of God the Father. Amen.**

All remain standing for the COLLECT.

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their
rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and
draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to
your heavenly city where we shall see you face
to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our
Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for
ever. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Readings for Year A, Proper 22

FIRST READING

Isa 5.1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song
concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a
vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and
cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice
vines; he built a watch-tower in the midst of
it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected
it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.
And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people
of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard.
What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it? When I expected it
to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?
And now I will tell you what I will do to my
vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall
be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it
shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be
overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also
command the clouds that they rain no rain
upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is
the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are
his pleasant planting: he expected justice, but
saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

from Ps 80

℟. Let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. (*All repeat*)

You brought a vine out of Egypt;
to plant it you drove out the nations.
It stretched out its branches to the sea,
to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. ℟.

Then why have you broken down its walls?
It is plucked by all who pass by.
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
devoured by the beasts of the field. ℟.

God of hosts, turn again we implore,
look down from heav'n and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. ℟.

So will we never turn away from you;
give us life, that we may call upon your name.
God of hosts, bring us back;
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.
℟.

SECOND READING

Php 3.4-14

A reading from the letter of Paul to the
Philippians.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power

of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 15.16

Alleluia. I appointed you that you should go
and bear fruit:
and that your fruit should abide.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

Mt 21.33-46

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people:

“Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence round it and dug a wine press in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than at first. And they did the same to them. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard

comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes'? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

A SERMON *may follow.*

The NICENE CREED is recited.

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,

(all bow) **was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. *(all rise)* 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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 INTERCESSIONS are introduced, and all kneel. One of these responses may be used:

∩. Lord, hear us. ∩. **Lord, graciously hear us.**
or ∩. Lord, in your mercy, ∩. **Hear our prayer.**

At the Commemoration of the Departed:

∩. Rest eternal ✠ grant to them, O Lord;
∩. **And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

The Intercessions end:

Merciful Father,

Accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

All stand as the priest introduces the PEACE.

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

All may sit for the OFFERTORY. The priest may praise God for his gifts, to which all respond:

Blessed be God for ever.

All stand for the PRAYER over the OFFERINGS.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

Lord, accept the sacrifice which we offer in obedience to your command. We celebrate this Eucharist to pay you the worship that we owe: grant that it may bring us holiness and redemption; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The PREFACE follows.

All respond with the SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS.
**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.**

All kneel. After the Consecration, all acclaim:
Great is the mystery of faith:
**Christ has died; Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.**

The Eucharistic Prayer continues, and ends:
... for ever and ever. **Amen.**

RITE OF COMMUNION

The priest introduces the LORD'S PRAYER.
**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.**

The priest breaks the Host; AGNUS DEI is said.
**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the
world: have mercy on us.**
**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the
world: have mercy on us.**
**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the
world: grant us peace.**

The priest gives the COMMUNION INVITATION.
Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the
sin of the world. Blessed are those who are
called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but
only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Holy Communion is distributed.

The priest says the POST-COMMUNION prayer.
Lord, we pray that your grace may always pre-
cede and follow us, and make us continually
to be given to all good works; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONCLUSION

The priest gives the BLESSING and DISMISSAL.
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

... The blessing of God almighty, the Father,
the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, be among
you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

The service may be followed by the ANGELUS.
✠. The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary:
℟. **And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**
Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
**Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners, now,
and at the hour of our death.**

✠. Behold the handmaid of the Lord:
℟. **Be it unto me according to thy word.**
Hail Mary ...

✠. And the Word was made flesh:
℟. **And dwelt among us.**
Hail Mary ...

✠. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God:
℟. **That we may be made worthy of the
promises of Christ.**

Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech you, O
Lord, your grace into our hearts; that we to
whom the Incarnation of Christ, your Son,
was made known by the message of an angel,
may by his Passion and Cross ✠ be brought
to the glory of his Resurrection; through the
same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**