

Worship at Home

Sunday, July 10, 2022 – Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

Officiant & Preacher: The Rev. Molly Finlay

Music Director: Cara Halpin

via Zoom or Dial-In



Welcome and Gathering of the Community



Opening Hymn

Sister Let Me Be Your Servant

(CP 500)

Sister, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow travellers on the road;
we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christlight for you in the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

Brother, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.



The Collect

Officiant Together, let us pray.

All Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless
until they find their rest in you.
May we find peace in your service,
and in the world to come, see you face to face;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.



Reading

Amos 5:21-24, 7:7-16

Reader

A reading from the Book of Amos.

"I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt-offerings and grain-offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream." ... This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line."



Reading

Amos 5:21-24, 7:7-16

Reader Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"



Reading

Amos 5:21-24, 7:7-16

Reader And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' "Now therefore hear the word of the Lord. You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.'

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.



Psalm 82

Please join on the alternating bolded verses of the psalm

- Officiant* God takes his stand in the council of heaven; he gives judgement in the midst of the gods:
- All* **"How long will you judge unjustly, and show favour to the wicked?**
- Officiant* Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;
- All* **Rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked.**
- Officiant* They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- All* **Now I say to you, 'You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;**
- Officiant* Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince."
- All* **Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.**



Gospel Reading

Luke 10:25-37

Reader

A reading from the Gospel of Luke.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbour?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.



Gospel Reading

Luke 10:25-37

Reader So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

The Word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.



Homily: The Rev. Molly Finlay



The Apostles' Creed

Officiant Let us confess our faith as we say,

All 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.



Invitation to Christian Stewardship

We at St John the Baptist Norway give regularly to God's work through offerings and other gifts. Our offerings support the life of the parish, as well as the work we do in the world, both locally and globally.

We invite you to contribute financially as you are able to the life and ministry of the parish. Instructions for submitting contributions can be found on our website.

Officiant Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All Amen.



Prayers of the People, led by The Rev. Molly Finlay



The Confession

Officiant

Beloved in Christ, Jesus the light of the world has come to dispel the darkness of our hearts. Let us turn to the light and confess our sins. Most merciful God,

All

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 neighbours 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 Absolution

Officiant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.



The Lord's Prayer

Officiant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
 we are bold to say,

All **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 Blessing

Announcements



Closing Hymn

Verse 1

Let streams of living justice
flow down upon the earth;
give freedom's light to
captives, let all the poor have
worth.

The hungry's hands are
pleading, the workers claim
their rights, the mourners
long for laughter, the blinded
seek for sight.

Make liberty a beacon, strike
down the iron power; abolish
ancient vengeance: proclaim
your people's hour.

Let Streams of Living Justice

Verse 2

For healing of the nations, for
peace that will not end, for
love that makes us lovers,
God grant us grace to mend.

Weave our varied gifts
together; knit our lives as
they are spun; on your loom
of time enroll us till our
thread of life is run.

O great Weaver of our fabric,
bind church and world in one;
dye our texture with your
radiance, light our colours
with your sun.

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Verse 3

Your city's built to music; we
are the stones you seek; your
harmony is language: we are
the words you speak.

Our faith we find in service,
our hope in other's dreams,
our love in hand of
neighbour: our homeland
brightly gleams.

Inscribe our hearts with
justice; your way - the path
untried; your truth - the
heart of stranger; your life -
the Crucified.

The Dismissal

Officiant Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God!

