

Worship at Home

Sunday, September 18, 2022 - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Officiant: The Rev. Molly Finlay
Preacher: The Rev. Yohan Dumpala
Music Director: Cara Halpin

via Zoom or Dial-In



Welcome and Gathering of the Community



Opening Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

(CP 505)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father; thine own may I be, thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

High King of heaven, when victory is won, may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.



The Collect

Officiant Together, let us pray.

All **Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth,
and ourselves in your image.
Teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.**



Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Reader

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy.

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all - this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The Word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.



Psalm 79: 1-9

*Please join on the alternating
bolded verses of the psalm*

- Officiant* O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your holy temple; they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.
- All* **They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.**
- Officiant* They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, and there was no one to bury them.
- All* **We have become a reproach to our neighbours, an object of scorn and derision to those around us.**



Psalm 79: 1-9

*Please join on the alternating
bolded verses of the psalm*

Officiant How long will you be angry, O Lord? will your fury blaze like fire for ever?

All **Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your name.**

Officiant For they have devoured Jacob and made his dwelling a ruin.

All **Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be swift to meet us; for we have been brought very low.**

Officiant Help us, O God our Saviour, for the glory of your name; deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your name's sake.



Gospel Reading

Luke 16:1-13

Reader A reading from the Gospel of Luke.

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?'



Gospel Reading

Luke 16:1-13

Reader

He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.



Gospel Reading

Luke 16:1-13

Reader Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."
The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**



Homily: The Rev. Yohan Dumpala



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

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

(CP 300)

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the church in one;
holy Zion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody;
God the One-in-Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

Laud and honour to the Father, laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit, ever three, and ever one,
one in might and one in glory, while unending ages run.



The Dismissal

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

All Thanks be to God!

