



## August 28, 2022 – The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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[Opening Hymn 420](#), stzs 1, 2, 3, and 5

When in our music God is glorified

Tune: *Engelberg*

### Collect of the Day

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

### The First Lesson

**Jeremiah 2:4-13**

Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the LORD: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the LORD who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?" I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the LORD?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the LORD, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the LORD, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

### Psalm 81:1, 10-16

*A Psalter for the Christian People, pp. 111-112*

- 1 Sing with joy to God our strength \*  
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- 10 I am the LORD your God,  
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, \*  
"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."
- 11 And yet my people did not hear my voice, \*  
and Israel would not obey me.

- 12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, \*  
**to follow their own devices.**
- 13 Oh, that my people would listen to me! \*  
**that Israel would walk in my ways!**
- 14 I should soon subdue their enemies \*  
**and turn my hand against their foes.**
- 15 Those who hate the LORD would cringe before me, \*  
**and their punishment would last for ever.**
- 16 But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat \*  
**and satisfy them with honey from the rock.**

## The Second Reading

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

## The Gospel

Luke 14:1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

## Closing Hymn 761

All who hunger gather gladly

Tune: *Holy Manna*

*Found in Wonder, Love, and Praise, the green hymnal.*

*The music today is a gift from Elaine Sweet  
in memory Fred Sweet and Isabel Nickerson.*

## **The Prayers of the People**

*The altar flowers are given in today in thanksgiving for the gift of summer.*

*Your prayers are requested for Barbara B., Gail S., Gavin M., Kelsey, Jeanette D., Linda F., Vernon K., Michael G., Janet, Billy C., Thomas, Gail, Sarah, and Kenna C. And prayers for all serving our country – especially, remembering Brian, Timmy, Tom Z., Emmy, Jack, Sean, Ian, Tim, and Andrew.*

*This week in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Alan and Gayle, our Bishops; Amy, Dean of our Cathedral; Carol, our Regional Canon; Jennifer, Pastor at MANNA; Nick, our priest; and our staff. Also, our companion parish at St. Luc's, Lazil, Haiti and our siblings at the MANNA Community in Boston.*

*This week in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the parishes of the Neponset River Deanery: Trinity Church, Stoughton; Epiphany Church, Walpole; Emmanuel Church, West Roxbury (Boston); St. John's Church, Westwood; and Trustees of Donations.*

*In the Needham Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Bartholomew Roman Catholic Church and First Church of Christ Scientist.*

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**Lector:** Ed Brailey

**Ushers:** TBA

**Altar Guild:** Barbara Brailey and Rosemarie Rappold

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