

September 8, 2024: 16th Sunday after Pentecost

FOLLOWERS OF JESUS: See the True Purpose of His Power

Hymn: 624 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession and Absolution

We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

Silence for meditation and reflection

God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
Amen.

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Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Hymn: 608 Glory Be to God the Father

sts. 1-2



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to
2 Glo - ry be to him who loved us, washed us from each



God the Son, glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:
spot and stain; glo - ry be to him who bought us,



great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
made us kings with him to reign! Glo - ry,



glo - ry while e - ter - nal a - ges run!
glo - ry to the Lamb that once was slain!

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889
Tune: Walter G. Whinfield, 1865-1919
Text and tune: Public domain

The Word

Salutation

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, you reveal your mighty power chiefly in showing mercy and kindness. Grant us the full measure of your grace that we may obtain your promises and become partakers of your heavenly glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Isaiah 35:4–7a

⁴say to those with fearful hearts,
“Be strong, do not fear;
your God will come,
he will come with vengeance;
with divine retribution
he will come to save you.”

⁵Then will the eyes of the blind be opened
and the ears of the deaf unstopped.

⁶Then will the lame leap like a deer,
and the mute tongue shout for joy.
Water will gush forth in the wilderness
and streams in the desert.

⁷The burning sand will become a pool,
the thirsty ground bubbling springs.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sunday: Lift High the Name of Jesus

8 am: Grade 3

10:30 am: Grade 4

Second Reading

Acts 3:1–10

¹One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. ²Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. ³When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. ⁴Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!” ⁵So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.

⁶Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.” ⁷Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong. ⁸He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. ⁹When all the people saw him walking and praising God, ¹⁰they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Hymn of the Day: 769 Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old

Tune: Kingsfold



1 Your hand, O Lord, in days of old Was
 2 Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health, Gave
 3 Oh, be our great de - liv - 'rer still, The



strong to heal and save; It tri - umphed o'er dis -
 speech and strength and sight; And youth re - newed and
 Lord of life and death; Re - store and quick - en,



ease and death, All dark - ness and the grave. To
 fren - zy calmed Re - vealed you, Lord of light. And
 soothe and bless, With your life - giv - ing breath. To



you they came, the blind, the dumb, The par - a -
 now, O Lord, be near to bless, Al - might - y
 hands that work and eyes that see Give wis - dom's



lyzed and lame, The lep - ers in their
 as be - fore, In crowd - ed street, by
 heal - ing pow'r That whole and sick and



mis - er - y, The sick with fe - vered frame.
 beds of pain, As by Gen - nes - 'ret's shore.
 weak and strong May praise you ev - er - more.

Text: Edward H. Plumptre, 1821-91, alt.

Tune: KINGSFOLD (CM D) English folk tune, 19th century, adapt.

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Offering

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Hymn: 630 Thy Strong Word

sts. 1-4

Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

Amen.

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