## Tenth Sunday of Pentecost

# August 9, 2020



#### Territorial Acknowledgement

In this holy time and place, we acknowledge with respect that we gather on the traditional, ancestral territories of the Mohawk and Abanaki first peoples.

May the living Christ lead us always on pathways of reconciliation and peace.



"The Whale Hunters" - Rhonda Shelford Jansen

#### *Hymn - At the Name of Jesus - #375*

Reference: Epistle

1. At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess him King of glory now; 'tis his Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

2. Humbled for a season to receive his name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came, faithfully he bore it, spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death he passed.

3. Name him, Christians, name him, with love as strong as death,
but with awe and wonder, and with bated breath;
he is God the Saviour, he is Christ the Lord,
ever to be worshipped, trusted, and adored. 4. In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true; crown him as your Saviour in temptation's hour; let his will enfold you in its light and power.

5. Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again, with his Father's glory, with his angel train; for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow, and our hearts confess him King of glory now.

#### Confession and Absolution

Most merciful God, 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 might delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

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. Amen. "Storm Brewing" - Ray Grinney

Lord, open our lips,

**And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.** O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Alleluia!

The Lord is our refuge and our strength:

O come, let us worship.



"A Storm Brewing" - Doranne Alden

#### Venite

Come, let us sing to God on high, the Rock of our salvation praise; come with thanksgiving to God's courts and joyful psalms before Him raise.

For God is Lord above all gods, the heights and depths are in His hand; God made the sea and it is His, God's hands have molded the dry land.

Let us bow down and worship God who is our maker and our Lord; we are God's people and His sheep; today, then, hearken to God's Word.



"Coastal Landscape with Mountains, a Storm Brewing" - Anton Melbye

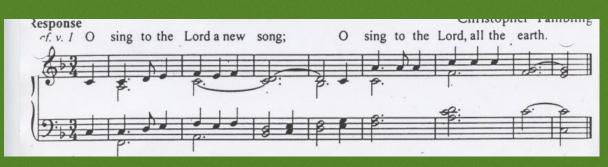
#### *Psalm 105.1-6, 16-22, 45c*

Sing to the Lord a new song; Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord and bless his name; tell out his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations and his wonders among the peoples. For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; he is more to be feared than all Gods.

For all the gods of the nations are but idols; it is the Lord who made the heavens. Honour and majesty are before him; power and splendour are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; ascribe to the Lord honour and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the honour due his name; bring offerings and come into his courts. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him.



#### A reading from the book of Genesis,

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their

father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired

to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" - that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the

Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

## A Song from Ezekiel (Ezekiel 36.24-28)

I will take you from the nations, and gather you from every country, and bring your home to your own land.

I will pour clean water upon you, purify you from all defilement, and cleanse you from all your idols.

A new heart I will give you, and put a new spirit within you; I will take from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.

> I will put my spirit within you, make you walk in my ways and observe all my decrees.

You shall dwell in the land I gave to your forebears; You shall be my people And I will be your God.



"Morning in the Village of Fishermen" - Serhiy Berezin

#### A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans,

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will

be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" *Hymn - How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds - #620 Reference: Epistle* 

> How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear!
>  It soothes the sorrows, heals our wounds, and drives away our fear.

2. It makes the wounded spirit whole, and calms the troubled breast; 'tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the <u>weary rest</u>.

3. Dear name! The rock on which I build, my shield and hiding-place, My never-failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace. 4. Jesus, my shepherd, brother, friend, my prophet, priest, and king, my Lord, my life, my way, my end, accept the praise I bring.

5. Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought; but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.

#### The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St. Matthew,

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong

wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

# The Sermon



### An Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God the Father, God Almighty by whose plan, earth and heaven sprang to being, all created things began. We believe in Christ the Saviour, Son of God in human frame, virgin-born, the child of Mary, upon whom the Spirit came.

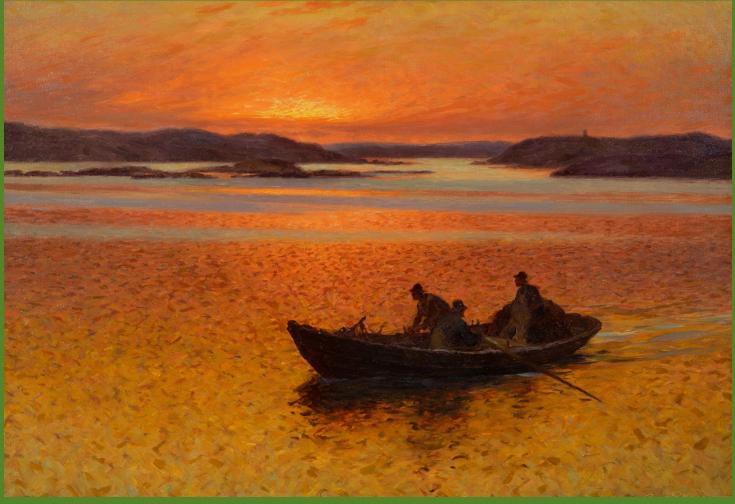
Christ, who on the cross forsaken, like a lamb to slaughter led, suffered under Pontious Pilate, he descended to the dead. We believe in Jesus risen, heaven's king to rule and reign, to the Father's side ascended 'till as judge he comes again.

We believe in God the Spirit; in one Church, below, above: Saints of God in one communion, one in holiness and love. So by faith, our sins forgiven, Christ our Saviour, Lord, and friend, we shall rise with him in glory to the life that knows no end.



"Fisherman" - Ang Kiukok

# The Prayers of the People



"Red Sea Fishermen" - Emil Ekman

#### The Collects

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.



"The Barque of St. Peter" - Giotto di Bondone

#### 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 them 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.



"Never Forsaken" - Abraham Hunter

*Hymn - Eternal Father, Strong to Save - #567 Reference: Gospel* 

> 1. Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm restrains the restless wave, who bids the mighty ocean deep its own appointed bounds to keep: we cry, O God of majesty, for those in peril on the sea.

2. O Christ, whose voice the waters heard and hushed their raging at your word, who walked across the surging deep and in the storm lay calm in sleep: we cry, O Lord of Galilee, for those in peril on the sea. 3. Creator Spirit, by whose breath were fashioned sea and sky and earth; who made the storm chaos cease and gave us life and light and peace: we cry, O Spirit strong and free, for those in peril on the sea.

4. O Trinity of love and power, preserve their lives in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, flood and flame, protect them by your holy name, and to your glory let there be Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

### The Blessing and Dismissal

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ. And the blessing of God almighty: the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!



"Great Catch of Fish" - John August Swanson