

**Readings, Collect and Year's Mind  
for Sunday 3rd October & Thursday 7th October, 2021  
Pentecost 19**

**In our Year's Mind this week, we pray for:**

Barbara Young, Jean Shipley, Jimmy Dee, Mary Mowat, Bob Anderson,  
Nora Peters, Alan Broughton, Greig Dugan.

**We also give special prayers for:** Nancy, Roddy, Jane T., Jane Si., Pam B.,  
Claire A. & family, and Jenny, Colin & family.

*The Intercessions are being led by Rev Sue Whitehouse*

**Collect for Pentecost 19**

O Lord, we beseech you:  
give your people grace to turn away from evil;  
and to follow you, the only God,  
in pureness of heart and mind;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
ever one God, world without end.

**Amen**

**The Old Testament Reading is Genesis 2: 18-24**

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner. So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, 'This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken. Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 8**

1. O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world!
2. Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens.
3. You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,  
to quell the enemy and the avenger.

4. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
5. What are mortals, that you should be mindful of them? mere human beings, that  
you should seek them out?
6. You have made them little lower than the angels;  
you adorn them with glory and honour.
7. You give them mastery over the works of your hands;  
and put all things under their feet,
8. All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,
9. The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,  
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
10. O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world!

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **The New Testament Reading is from Hebrews 1: 1-4; 2:5-12**

(Read by Christine Sharp)

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, 'What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honour, subjecting all things under their feet.' Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, 'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **The Gospel Reading is Mark 10: 2-16**

### **Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?' He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' They said, 'Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.' But Jesus said to them, 'Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, "God made them male and female." "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.' Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. Jesus said to them, 'Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.'

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

### **Praise to Christ our Lord.**

### **Post Communion Prayer:**

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast,  
for here we receive you,  
here the memory of your passion is renewed,  
here our minds are filled with grace,  
and here a pledge of future glory given,  
when we shall feast at that table  
where you reign with all your saints for ever.

**Amen**

### **Anthem during Communion Ave Verum Corpus, Mozart.**

The translation is:

*Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary, that truly suffered,  
sacrificed on the cross for mankind;  
whose pierced side flowed with water and with blood.  
Be for us a foretaste of our death struggle.*