

6th May Easter 6 (White); Isaiah 55.1-11; Psalm 98; Acts 10.44-48; John 15.9-17;;

**Collect**

God our redeemer,  
you have delivered us from the power of darkness  
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:  
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,  
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

Risen Christ,  
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:  
help your Church to obey your command  
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**Post Communion**

God our Father,  
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:  
may we thirst for you,  
the spring of life and source of goodness,  
through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Isaiah 55.1-11]**

55Ho, everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters;  
and you that have no money,  
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without price.

<sup>2</sup> Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,  
and delight yourselves in rich food.

<sup>3</sup> Incline your ear, and come to me;  
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
my steadfast, sure love for David.

<sup>4</sup> See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander for the peoples.

<sup>5</sup> See, you shall call nations that you do not know,  
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,  
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has glorified you.

<sup>6</sup> Seek the Lord while he may be found,  
call upon him while he is near;

<sup>7</sup> let the wicked forsake their way,  
and the unrighteous their thoughts;  
let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

<sup>8</sup> For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.

<sup>9</sup> For as the heavens are higher than the earth,

so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

<sup>10</sup> For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,  
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,  
making it bring forth and sprout,  
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,  
<sup>11</sup> so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
it shall not return to me empty,  
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

### **Acts 10.44-end**

44 While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, <sup>46</sup>for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup>'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' <sup>48</sup>So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

### **Psalm 98**

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, •  
for he has done marvellous things.
- 2 His own right hand and his holy arm •  
have won for him the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his salvation; •  
his deliverance has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness  
towards the house of Israel, •  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
- 5 Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth; •  
break into singing and make music.
- 6 Make music to the Lord with the lyre, •  
with the lyre and the voice of melody.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn •  
sound praises before the Lord, the King.
- 8 Let the sea thunder and all that fills it, •  
the world and all that dwell upon it.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands •  
and let the hills ring out together before the Lord,  
for he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world •  
and the peoples with equity.

### **John 15.9-17**

<sup>9</sup>As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.  
<sup>12</sup> 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants\* any longer, because the servant\* does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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13th May Easter 7; Ezekiel 36.24-28; Psalm 1; Acts 1.15-17, 21-26; John 17.6-19;;

### **Collect**

O God the King of glory,  
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ  
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:  
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,  
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us  
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

Risen, ascended Lord,  
as we rejoice at your triumph,  
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,  
that all who are estranged by sin  
may find forgiveness and know your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.

### **Post Communion**

Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Ezekiel 36.24-28**

<sup>24</sup>I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. <sup>25</sup>I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. <sup>26</sup>A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup>I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. <sup>28</sup>Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

### **Acts 1.15-17, 21-end**

15 In those days Peter stood up among the believers\* (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, <sup>16</sup>Friends,\* the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—<sup>17</sup>for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.'

<sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us— one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.'<sup>23</sup>So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place\* in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.'<sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

### **Psalm 1**

- 1 Blessed are they who have not walked  
in the counsel of the wicked, •  
nor lingered in the way of sinners,  
nor sat in the assembly of the scornful.
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord •  
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 Like a tree planted by streams of water

- bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither, •  
whatever they do, it shall prosper.
- 4 As for the wicked, it is not so with them; •  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand in the judgement, •  
nor the sinner in the congregation of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, •  
but the way of the wicked shall perish.

### **John 17.6-19**

6 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that\* you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost,\* so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves.\* <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup>I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one.\* <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

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20th May Pentecost (Red); Ezekiel 37.1-14; Psalm 104.26-end; Acts 2.1-21; John 15.26-27 and John 16.4b-15;;

**Collect**

God, who as at this time  
taught the hearts of your faithful people  
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:  
grant us by the same Spirit  
to have a right judgement in all things  
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;  
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,  
ignite in us your holy fire;  
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,  
revive your Church with the breath of love,  
and renew the face of the earth,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Post Communion**

Faithful God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us your Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal:  
open our lips by your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Ezekiel 37.1-14**

37The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath\* to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath\* in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.'

7 So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, 'Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath:\* Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath,\* and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' <sup>10</sup>I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

11 Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

## Acts 2.1-21

2When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> "In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.

<sup>18</sup> Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup> And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup> Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

## Psalm 104.26-end

- 26 O Lord, how manifold are your works! •  
In wisdom you have made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.
- 27 There is the sea, spread far and wide, •  
and there move creatures beyond number, both small and great.
- 28 There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan •  
which you have made to play in the deep.
- 29 All of these look to you •  
to give them their food in due season.
- 30 When you give it them, they gather it; •  
you open your hand and they are filled with good.
- 31 When you hide your face they are troubled; •  
when you take away their breath,  
they die and return again to the dust.
- 32 When you send forth your spirit, they are created, •  
and you renew the face of the earth.
- 33 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; •  
may the Lord rejoice in his works;
- 34 He looks on the earth and it trembles; •

he touches the mountains and they smoke.  
35 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; •  
I will make music to my God while I have my being.  
36 So shall my song please him •  
while I rejoice in the Lord.  
37 Let sinners be consumed out of the earth  
and the wicked be no more. •  
Bless the Lord, O my soul.  
Alleluia.

**John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15**

26 'When the Advocate\* comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. 27 You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. 4 But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. 5 But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" 6 But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. 7 Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate\* will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about\* sin and righteousness and judgement: 9 about sin, because they do not believe in me; 10 about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; 11 about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

12 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. 15 All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

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27th May Trinity Sunday (White); Isaiah 6.1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8.12-17; John 3.1-17;;

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:  
keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

Holy God,  
faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### **Post Communion**

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.

### **Isaiah 6.1-8**

6 In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.'

<sup>4</sup>The pivots\* on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!'

<sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph\* touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

### **Romans 8.12-17**

12 So then, brothers and sisters,\* we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—  
<sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba!\*' Father!' <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness\* with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

### **Psalm 29**

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven, •  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name; •  
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders; •  
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation; •  
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; •  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf •  
and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning;  
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; •  
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe  
and strips the forests bare; •  
in his temple all cry, 'Glory!'
- 9 The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood; •  
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.
- 10 The Lord shall give strength to his people; •  
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

### **John 3.1-17**

3Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus\* by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.'\* <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit.\*' <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You\* must be born from above."\* <sup>8</sup>The wind\* blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup>'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you\* do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.\*' <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.\*

16 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

17 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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3rd June Trinity 1 Proper 4 (Green); 1 Samuel 3.1-10 or Deuteronomy 5.12-15; Psalm 81,1-10

Collect

O God,

the strength of all those who put their trust in you,  
mercifully accept our prayers  
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature  
we can do no good thing without you,  
grant us the help of your grace,  
that in the keeping of your commandments  
we may please you both in will and deed;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

God of truth,  
help us to keep your law of love  
and to walk in ways of wisdom,  
that we may find true life  
in Jesus Christ your Son.

### **Post Communion**

Eternal Father,

we thank you for nourishing us  
with these heavenly gifts:  
may our communion strengthen us in faith,  
build us up in hope,  
and make us grow in love;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Deuteronomy 5.12-15**

12 Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. <sup>13</sup>For six days you shall labour and do all your work. <sup>14</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. <sup>15</sup>Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

### **2 Corinthians 4.5-12**

<sup>5</sup>For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup> But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. <sup>8</sup>We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup>persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup>always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. <sup>11</sup>For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. <sup>12</sup>So death is at work in us, but life in you.

### **Psalm 81**

- 1 Sing merrily to God our strength, •  
shout for joy to the God of Jacob.
- 2 Take up the song and sound the timbrel, •  
the tuneful lyre with the harp.
- 3 Blow the trumpet at the new moon, •  
as at the full moon, upon our solemn feast day.

- 4 For this is a statute for Israel, •  
a law of the God of Jacob,
- 5 The charge he laid on the people of Joseph, •  
when they came out of the land of Egypt.
- 6 I heard a voice I did not know, that said: •  
'I eased their shoulder from the burden;  
their hands were set free from bearing the load.
- 7 'You called upon me in trouble and I delivered you; •  
I answered you from the secret place of thunder  
and proved you at the waters of Meribah.
- 8 'Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you: •  
O Israel, if you would but listen to me!
- 9 'There shall be no strange god among you; •  
you shall not worship a foreign god.
- 10 'I am the Lord your God,  
who brought you up from the land of Egypt; •  
open your mouth wide and I shall fill it.'

### **Mark 2.23-3.6**

23 One sabbath he was going through the cornfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. <sup>24</sup>The Pharisees said to him, 'Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?' <sup>25</sup>And he said to them, 'Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? <sup>26</sup>He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions.' <sup>27</sup>Then he said to them, 'The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; <sup>28</sup>so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.'

3 Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. <sup>2</sup>They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. <sup>3</sup>And he said to the man who had the withered hand, 'Come forward.' <sup>4</sup>Then he said to them, 'Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?' But they were silent. <sup>5</sup>He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, 'Stretch out your hand.' He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. <sup>6</sup>The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

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10th June Trinity 2: Proper 5 (Green); Genesis 3.8-15; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 4.13 – 5.1; Mark 3.20-end;;

**Collect**

Lord, you have taught us  
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:  
send your Holy Spirit  
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,  
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.  
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

Faithful Creator,  
whose mercy never fails:  
deepen our faithfulness to you  
and to your living Word,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Post Communion**

Loving Father,  
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:  
sustain us with your Spirit,  
that we may serve you here on earth  
until our joy is complete in heaven,  
and we share in the eternal banquet  
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Genesis 3.8-15**

8 They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' <sup>10</sup>He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' <sup>11</sup>He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' <sup>12</sup>The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' <sup>13</sup>Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' <sup>14</sup>The Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup> I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.'

**2 Corinthians 4.13-5.1**

13 But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

16 So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of

glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

5For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

### **Psalm 130**

- 1 Out of the depths have I cried to you, O Lord;  
Lord, hear my voice; •  
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, Lord, were to mark what is done amiss, •  
O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 But there is forgiveness with you, •  
so that you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; •  
in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the Lord,  
more than the night watch for the morning, •  
more than the night watch for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, •  
for with the Lord there is mercy;
- 7 With him is plenteous redemption •  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

### **Mark 3.20-end**

<sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

28 'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— <sup>30</sup>for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

31 Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters\* are outside, asking for you.' <sup>33</sup>And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

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17th June Trinity 3: Proper 6 (Green); Ezekiel 17.22-end; Psalm 92.1-8; 2 Corinthians 5.6-10 and 14-17; Mark 4.26-34;;

Collect

Almighty God,

you have broken the tyranny of sin

and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father:

give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,

that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

**or**

God our saviour,

look on this wounded world

in pity and in power;

hold us fast to your promises of peace

won for us by your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ.

### **Post Communion**

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining

and whose power we cannot comprehend:

show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,

and shield us from knowing more than we can bear

until we may look upon you without fear;

through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

### **Ezekiel 17.22-end**

22 Thus says the Lord God:

I myself will take a sprig

from the lofty top of a cedar;

I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one

from the topmost of its young twigs;

I myself will plant it

on a high and lofty mountain.

<sup>23</sup> On the mountain height of Israel

I will plant it,

in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,

and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;

in the shade of its branches will nest

winged creatures of every kind.

<sup>24</sup> All the trees of the field shall know

that I am the Lord.

I bring low the high tree,

I make high the low tree;

I dry up the green tree

and make the dry tree flourish.

I the Lord have spoken;

I will accomplish it.

### **2 Corinthians 5.6-10 [11-13] 14-17**

6 So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are

away from the Lord— <sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we do have confidence, and we would

rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we

make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. [

11 Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. <sup>12</sup>We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. <sup>13</sup>For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.] <sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. <sup>15</sup>And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

16 From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; <sup>\*</sup> even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, <sup>\*</sup> we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

## Psalm 92

- 1 It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord •  
and to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
- 2 To tell of your love early in the morning •  
and of your faithfulness in the night-time,
- 3 Upon the ten-stringed instrument, upon the harp, •  
and to the melody of the lyre.
- 4 For you, Lord, have made me glad by your acts, •  
and I sing aloud at the works of your hands.
- 12 The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, •  
and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.
- 13 Such as are planted in the house of the Lord •  
shall flourish in the courts of our God.
- 14 They shall still bear fruit in old age; •  
they shall be vigorous and in full leaf;
- 15 That they may show that the Lord is true; •  
he is my rock,  
and there is no unrighteousness in him.

## Mark 4.26-34

26 He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, <sup>27</sup>and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

30 He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; <sup>34</sup>he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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24th June Trinity 4: Proper 7 (Green) Job 38.1-11; Psalm 107.23-32; 2 Corinthians 6.1-13; Mark 4.35-41;;

Collect

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,  
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:  
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;  
that with you as our ruler and guide  
we may so pass through things temporal  
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;  
grant this, heavenly Father,  
for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

Gracious Father,  
by the obedience of Jesus  
you brought salvation to our wayward world:  
draw us into harmony with your will,  
that we may find all things restored in him,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

### **Post Communion**

Eternal God,  
comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken,  
you have fed us at the table of life and hope:  
teach us the ways of gentleness and peace,  
that all the world may acknowledge  
the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Job 38.1-11**

38 Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:  
2 'Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?  
3 Gird up your loins like a man,  
I will question you, and you shall declare to me.  
4 'Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?  
Tell me, if you have understanding.  
5 Who determined its measurements—surely you know!  
Or who stretched the line upon it?  
6 On what were its bases sunk,  
or who laid its cornerstone  
7 when the morning stars sang together  
and all the heavenly beings\* shouted for joy?  
8 'Or who shut in the sea with doors  
when it burst out from the womb?—  
9 when I made the clouds its garment,  
and thick darkness its swaddling band,  
10 and prescribed bounds for it,  
and set bars and doors,  
11 and said, "Thus far shall you come, and no farther,  
and here shall your proud waves be stopped"?

### **2 Corinthians 6.1-13**

6 As we work together with him,\* we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. 2 For he says,  
'At an acceptable time I have listened to you,  
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.'

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup>We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. <sup>12</sup>There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup>In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

### **Psalm 107.23-32**

- 23 Those who go down to the sea in ships •  
and ply their trade in great waters,  
24 These have seen the works of the Lord •  
and his wonders in the deep.  
25 For at his word the stormy wind arose •  
and lifted up the waves of the sea.  
26 They were carried up to the heavens  
and down again to the deep; •  
their soul melted away in their peril.  
27 They reeled and staggered like a drunkard •  
and were at their wits' end.  
28 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, •  
and he brought them out of their distress.  
29 He made the storm be still •  
and the waves of the sea were calmed.  
30 Then were they glad because they were at rest, •  
and he brought them to the haven they desired.  
31 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his goodness •  
and the wonders he does for his children.  
32 Let them exalt him in the congregation of the people •  
and praise him in the council of the elders.

### **Mark 4.35-end**

<sup>35</sup>On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

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1st July Trinity 5: Proper 8 (Green); Lamentations 3.22-33; Psalm 30; 2 Corinthians 8.7-15; Mark 5.21-43

**Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified:  
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,  
that in their vocation and ministry  
they may serve you in holiness and truth  
to the glory of your name;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

Almighty God,  
send down upon your Church  
the riches of your Spirit,  
and kindle in all who minister the gospel  
your countless gifts of grace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Post Communion**

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,  
that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance,  
that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Wisdom 1.13-15, 2.23-24**

<sup>13</sup> because God did not make death,  
and he does not delight in the death of the living.

<sup>14</sup> For he created all things so that they might exist;  
the generative forces\* of the world are wholesome,  
and there is no destructive poison in them,  
and the dominion\* of Hades is not on earth.

<sup>15</sup> For righteousness is immortal.

<sup>23</sup> for God created us for incorruption,  
and made us in the image of his own eternity,\*

<sup>24</sup> but through the devil's envy death entered the world,  
and those who belong to his company experience it.

**2 Corinthians 8.7-end**

<sup>7</sup>Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you\*—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.\*

<sup>8</sup> I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup>For you know the generous act\* of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. <sup>10</sup>And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— <sup>11</sup>now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. <sup>12</sup>For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. <sup>13</sup>I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between <sup>14</sup>your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. <sup>15</sup>As it is written,

'The one who had much did not have too much,  
and the one who had little did not have too little.'

<sup>16</sup> But thanks be to God who put in the heart of Titus the same eagerness for you that I myself have.

<sup>17</sup>For he not only accepted our appeal, but since he is more eager than ever, he is going to you of his

own accord. <sup>18</sup>With him we are sending the brother who is famous among all the churches for his proclaiming of the good news; <sup>19</sup>and not only that, but he has also been appointed by the churches to travel with us while we are administering this generous undertaking\* for the glory of the Lord himself\* and to show our goodwill. <sup>20</sup>We intend that no one should blame us about this generous gift that we are administering, <sup>21</sup>for we intend to do what is right not only in the Lord's sight but also in the sight of others. <sup>22</sup>And with them we are sending our brother whom we have often tested and found eager in many matters, but who is now more eager than ever because of his great confidence in you. <sup>23</sup>As for Titus, he is my partner and co-worker in your service; as for our brothers, they are messengers\* of the churches, the glory of Christ. <sup>24</sup>Therefore, openly before the churches, show them the proof of your love and of our reason for boasting about you.

### **Psalm 30**

- 1 I will exalt you, O Lord,  
because you have raised me up •  
and have not let my foes triumph over me.
- 2 O Lord my God, I cried out to you •  
and you have healed me.
- 3 You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; •  
you restored me to life from among those that go down to the Pit.
- 4 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; •  
give thanks to his holy name.
- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,  
his favour for a lifetime. •  
Heaviness may endure for a night,  
but joy comes in the morning.
- 6 In my prosperity I said,  
'I shall never be moved. •  
You, Lord, of your goodness,  
have made my hill so strong.'
- 7 Then you hid your face from me •  
and I was utterly dismayed.
- 8 To you, O Lord, I cried; •  
to the Lord I made my supplication:
- 9 'What profit is there in my blood,  
if I go down to the Pit? •  
Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
- 10 'Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; •  
O Lord, be my helper.'
- 11 You have turned my mourning into dancing; •  
you have put off my sackcloth and girded me with gladness;
- 12 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; •  
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

### **Mark 5.21-end**

21 When Jesus had crossed again in the boat\* to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. <sup>22</sup>Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet <sup>23</sup>and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' <sup>24</sup>So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. <sup>25</sup>Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. <sup>26</sup>She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup>She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup>for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' <sup>29</sup>Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup>Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' <sup>31</sup>And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?"' <sup>32</sup>He looked all round to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup>But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and

trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup>He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.'

<sup>35</sup>While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' <sup>36</sup>But overhearing\* what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' <sup>37</sup>He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. <sup>38</sup>When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup>When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' <sup>40</sup>And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup>He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' <sup>42</sup>And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup>He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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8th July Trinity 6: Proper 9 (Green); Ezekiel 2.1-5; Psalm 123; 2 Corinthians 12.2-10; Mark 6.1-13;;  
Collect

Merciful God,  
you have prepared for those who love you  
such good things as pass our understanding:  
pour into our hearts such love toward you  
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,  
may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

Creator God,  
you made us all in your image:  
may we discern you in all that we see,  
and serve you in all that we do;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage,  
you have led us to the living water:  
refresh and sustain us  
as we go forward on our journey,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Ezekiel 2.1-5**

<sup>2</sup>He said to me: O mortal,\* stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. <sup>2</sup>And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. <sup>3</sup>He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation\* of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' <sup>5</sup>Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

### **2 Corinthians 12.2-10**

<sup>2</sup>I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. <sup>3</sup>And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—<sup>4</sup>was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. <sup>5</sup>On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup>But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, <sup>7</sup>even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep\* me from being too elated, a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated.\*<sup>8</sup>Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, <sup>9</sup>but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power\* is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

### **Psalm 123**

- 1 To you I lift up my eyes, •  
to you that are enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, •  
or the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

- 3 So our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, •  
until he have mercy upon us.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, •  
for we have had more than enough of contempt.
- 5 Our soul has had more than enough of the scorn of the arrogant, •  
and of the contempt of the proud.

**Mark 6.1-13**

6He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup>On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup>Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary\* and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence\* at him. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' <sup>5</sup>And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup>And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup>He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup>He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup>but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup>He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup>If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' <sup>12</sup>So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup>They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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15th July Trinity 7: Proper 10 (Green); Amos 7.7-15; Psalm 85.8-end; Ephesians 1.3-14; Mark 6.14-29;;

Collect

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 of your great mercy keep us in the same;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

Generous God,  
you give us gifts and make them grow:  
though our faith is small as mustard seed,  
make it grow to your glory  
and the flourishing of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Post Communion**

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,  
ever giving himself that the world may live:  
may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion  
that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

### **Amos 7.7-15**

7 This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. <sup>8</sup>And the Lord said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said,

'See, I am setting a plumb-line  
in the midst of my people Israel;  
I will never again pass them by;

<sup>9</sup> the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,  
and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,  
and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

10 Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup>For thus Amos has said,

"Jeroboam shall die by the sword,  
and Israel must go into exile  
away from his land." "

<sup>12</sup>And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; <sup>13</sup>but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.'

14 Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am\* no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am\* a herdsman, and a dresser of sycomore trees, <sup>15</sup>and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

### **Ephesians 1.3-14**

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>just as he chose us in Christ\* before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the

forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace<sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight<sup>9</sup> he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ,<sup>10</sup> as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.<sup>11</sup> In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance,<sup>\*</sup> having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will,<sup>12</sup> so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.<sup>13</sup> In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit;<sup>14</sup> this<sup>\*</sup> is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

### **Psalm 85.8-end**

- 8 I will listen to what the Lord God will say, •  
for he shall speak peace to his people and to the faithful,  
that they turn not again to folly.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is near to those who fear him, •  
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth are met together, •  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other;
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth •  
and righteousness look down from heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed give all that is good, •  
and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him •  
and direct his steps in the way.

### **Mark 6.14-29**

14 King Herod heard of it, for Jesus<sup>\*</sup> name had become known. Some were<sup>\*</sup> saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.'<sup>15</sup> But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.'<sup>16</sup> But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

17 For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod<sup>\*</sup> had married her.<sup>18</sup> For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.'<sup>19</sup> And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not,<sup>20</sup> for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed;<sup>\*</sup> and yet he liked to listen to him.<sup>21</sup> But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee.<sup>22</sup> When his daughter Herodias<sup>\*</sup> came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.'<sup>23</sup> And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.'<sup>24</sup> She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.'<sup>25</sup> Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.'<sup>26</sup> The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her.<sup>27</sup> Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's<sup>\*</sup> head. He went and beheaded him in the prison,<sup>28</sup> brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother.<sup>29</sup> When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

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22nd July Trinity 8: Proper 11(Green); Jeremiah 23.1-6; Psalm 23; Ephesians 2.11-end; Mark 6.30-34 and 53-end;;

Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,  
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies  
in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments;  
that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,  
we may be preserved in body and soul;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

Lord God,  
your Son left the riches of heaven  
and became poor for our sake:  
when we prosper save us from pride,  
when we are needy save us from despair,  
that we may trust in you alone;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Post Communion**

Strengthen for service, Lord,  
the hands that have taken holy things;  
may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;  
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope;  
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life;  
glory to you for ever.

### **Jeremiah 23.1-6**

23 Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. <sup>2</sup>Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. <sup>3</sup>Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup>I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

<sup>5</sup>The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

### **Ephesians 2.11-end**

11 So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth,<sup>\*</sup> called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—<sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. <sup>15</sup>He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile both groups to God in one body<sup>\*</sup> through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it.<sup>\*</sup> <sup>17</sup>So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; <sup>18</sup>for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself

as the cornerstone.\* <sup>21</sup>In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; <sup>22</sup>in whom you also are built together spiritually\* into a dwelling-place for God.

### **Psalm 23**

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; •  
therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures •  
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He shall refresh my soul •  
and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil; •  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me  
in the presence of those who trouble me; •  
you have anointed my head with oil  
and my cup shall be full.
- 6 Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life, •  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

### **Mark 6.30-34, 53-end**

30 The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

53 When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. <sup>54</sup>When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, <sup>55</sup>and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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22nd July Mary Magdalene (White); Song of Solomon 3.1-4; Psalm 42.1-10; 2 Corinthians 5.14-17; John 20.1, 2, 11-18;;

Collect

Almighty God,

whose Son restored Mary Magdalene to health of mind and body  
and called her to be a witness to his resurrection:

forgive our sins and heal us by your grace,  
that we may serve you in the power of his risen life;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### **Post Communion**

God of life and love,

whose risen Son called Mary Magdalene by name  
and sent her to tell of his resurrection to his apostles:

in your mercy, help us,  
who have been united with him in this eucharist,  
to proclaim the good news that he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

### **Song of Solomon 3.1-4**

3 Upon my bed at night

I sought him whom my soul loves;  
I sought him, but found him not;  
I called him, but he gave no answer.\*

<sup>2</sup> 'I will rise now and go about the city,  
in the streets and in the squares;  
I will seek him whom my soul loves.'

I sought him, but found him not.

<sup>3</sup> The sentinels found me,  
as they went about in the city.

'Have you seen him whom my soul loves?'

<sup>4</sup> Scarcely had I passed them,  
when I found him whom my soul loves.

I held him, and would not let him go  
until I brought him into my mother's house,  
and into the chamber of her that conceived me.

### **2 Corinthians 5.14-17**

<sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. <sup>15</sup>And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view;\* even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view,\* we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

### **Psalm 42**

- 1 As the deer longs for the water brooks, •  
so longs my soul for you, O God.
- 2 My soul is athirst for God, even for the living God; •  
when shall I come before the presence of God?
- 3 My tears have been my bread day and night, •  
while all day long they say to me, 'Where is now your God?'
- 4 Now when I think on these things, I pour out my soul: •  
how I went with the multitude  
and led the procession to the house of God,
- 5 With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, •

- among those who kept holy day.
- 6 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, •  
and why are you so disquieted within me?
- 7 O put your trust in God; •  
for I will yet give him thanks,  
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.
- 8 My soul is heavy within me; •  
therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan,  
and from Hermon and the hill of Mizar.
- 9 Deep calls to deep in the thunder of your waterfalls; •  
all your breakers and waves have gone over me.
- 10 The Lord will grant his loving-kindness in the daytime; •  
through the night his song will be with me,  
a prayer to the God of my life.

### **John 20.1-2, 11-18**

20 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup>So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.'

11 But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look\* into the tomb; <sup>12</sup>and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup>They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' <sup>14</sup>When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew,\* 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ' <sup>18</sup>Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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**29th July Trinity 9: Proper 12 (Green);** 2 Kings 4.42-end; Psalm 145.10-19; Ephesians 3.14-end; John 6.1-21;

Collect

Almighty God,  
who 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 and joy and peace;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**or**

Gracious Father,  
revive your Church in our day,  
and make her holy, strong and faithful,  
for your glory's sake  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Post Communion**

Holy Father,  
who gathered us here around the table of your Son  
to share this meal with the whole household of God:  
in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace,  
gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **2 Kings 4.42-end**

42 A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, 'Give it to the people and let them eat.' <sup>43</sup>But his servant said, 'How can I set this before a hundred people?' So he repeated, 'Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, "They shall eat and have some left."' <sup>44</sup>He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

### **Ephesians 3.14-end**

14 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>\*</sup> <sup>15</sup>from whom every family<sup>\*</sup> in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, <sup>17</sup>and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup>I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

20 Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **Psalm 145.10-19**

- 10 All your works praise you, O Lord, •  
and your faithful servants bless you.
- 11 They tell of the glory of your kingdom •  
and speak of your mighty power,
- 12 To make known to all peoples your mighty acts •  
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; •  
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The Lord is sure in all his words •  
and faithful in all his deeds.

- 15 The Lord upholds all those who fall •  
and lifts up all those who are bowed down.
- 16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, •  
and you give them their food in due season.
- 17 You open wide your hand •  
and fill all things living with plenty.
- 18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways •  
and loving in all his works.
- 19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him, •  
to all who call upon him faithfully.

### **John 6.1-21**

6After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias.\* 2A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. 3Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. 4Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. 5When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' 6He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. 7Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages\* would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' 8One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 9'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' 10Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they\* sat down, about five thousand in all. 11Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. 12When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' 13So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. 14When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

15 When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

16 When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, 17got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. 18The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. 19When they had rowed about three or four miles,\* they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. 20But he said to them, 'It is I;\* do not be afraid.' 21Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

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