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**St. Matthew
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***"To Seek and Serve
Christ in all persons"***

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SUNDAY SERVICE

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

*We welcome you today to St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole Anglican Church. We follow the Order of Service in the **Book of Alternative Services.***

Prelude: "O wie selig seid ihr doch, ihr Frommen"Johannes Brahms

Welcome

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

A great prophet has arisen among us! God has visited his people! *Luke 7.16*

Opening Hymn 645 "Come down, O Love divine"DOWN AMPNEY

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity mine outward Vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own short comings weep with loathing.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace till they become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit finds a dwelling.

Greeting

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Almighty God,

All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory to God

Officiant: Glory to God in the highest

All: and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Officiant: Let us pray

(a moment of silence is taken)

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 the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Lesson 2 Samuel 11:1-15

Reader: A reading from the second book of Samuel

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant." So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing." Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but

he did not go down to his house. In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 14..... Chant: George Black

Refrain: The Lord looks down from heav'n upon us all.

Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God."
All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.
The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all,
to see if there is any who is wise, if there is anyone who seeks after God. **Refrain**

Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad;
there is none who does good; no, not one.
Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers
who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord? **Refrain**

See how they tremble with fear,
because God is in the company of the righteous.
Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted,
but the Lord is their refuge. **Refrain**

Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion!
When the Lord restores the fortunes of this people,
Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad. **Refrain**

Second Lesson Ephesians 3:14-21

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. 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, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. 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, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Lord your word shall guide us and with truth provide us:
Teach us to receive it and with joy believe it.

When our foes are near us, then your word shall cheer us –
Word of consolation, message of salvation.

When the storms distress us and dark clouds oppress us,
Then your word protects us and its light directs us.

Who can tell the pleasure, who recount the treasure
By your word imparted to the simplehearted?

Word of mercy, giving courage to the living;
Word of life, supplying comfort to the dying.

O that we, discerning its most holy learning
Lord, may love and fear you – evermore be near you!

Holy Gospel John 6:1-21

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Gospeller: After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus 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. Then 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. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When 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." 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. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus

had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: The Venerable Kyn Barker

Please take a moment for silent reflection following the sermon.

Apostle's Creed

Officiant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

Officiant: Having reaffirmed our faith, let us prepare to offer our prayers to God.

Prayers of the People *(prepared by Helen Edmonds)*

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive
those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For
the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

Officiant: Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory
to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and
ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Officiant: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, upon those whom you love, and those whom you would pray for, today and always. **Amen.**

Hymn: 397 "Praise the one who breaks the darkness" NETTLETON

Praise the one who breaks the darkness with a liberating light.
Praise the one who frees the prisoners, turning blindness into sight.
Praise the one who preached the gospel, healing every dread disease,
Calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.

Praise the one who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word.
Praise the one who drove out demons with a piercing two-edged sword.
Praise the one who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand.
From this well comes living water, quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the one true love incarnate; Christ who suffered in our place,
Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our Lord has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory, praise the One who makes us one.

Dismissal

Officiant: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "O Welt, ich muss dich lassen"Johannes Brahms

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2 Samuel 11:1–15

During this season we are reading some of the stories from the books of Samuel. The collection of materials we know was likely gathered together and edited in the late monarchic or exilic period, and as a whole has been framed with poems (1 Samuel 2 and 2 Samuel 22-23) that hold up the idea of the king who is the Anointed one, (the Mashiah) whose role is to create justice and hope in a world of power, hunger and oppression. The narrative of the book focusses on the period from about 1050-950 BCE during which the twelve tribes came under increasing pressure from the peoples living on the Gaza coast, as well as surrounding city states. Some key players in the second part of Samuel are: David, the ruthless gang-leader and enforcer from southern Judah who brings death and betrayal to almost everyone he encounters, yet somehow comes to be seen as Israel's greatest monarch and the father of a dynasty that will rule in Jerusalem for the next four centuries; Joab, David's key military commander and enforcer; Nathan, a figure who seems to have been a court prophet; and Absalom, David's son by a wife from northeastern Israel, who eventually leads a popular revolt against his father. Today's reading tells the story of David's affair with Bathsheba, the wife of one of his commanders, Uriah the Hittite. The text subtly opens by suggesting that having become king, David, like many monarchs, adopts the easy life. He does not go to war but sends out his army which includes mercenary foreign soldiers, of which Uriah the Hittite is one. The text not only shows us David as a sexual predator, adulterer and murderer, but reinforces his crimes by portraying Uriah, by contrast, as someone who is punctilious in abiding by the religious practices of his adopted culture. [Suggested further reading for this week 2 Samuel 11.]

[Dr. Walter Deller/2021]

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