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## **Independence Day (Trinity 5) 07/04/2021**

**Old Testament:** Ecclesiastes 2:1-11,18-23

I said in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with mirth, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also is vanity.

<sup>2</sup> I said of laughter, It is mad: and of mirth, What doeth it?

<sup>3</sup> I sought in mine heart to give myself unto wine, yet acquainting mine heart with wisdom; and to lay hold on folly, till I might see what was that good for the sons of men, which they should do under the heaven all the days of their life.

<sup>4</sup> I made me great works; I builded me houses; I planted me vineyards:

<sup>5</sup> I made me gardens and orchards, and I planted trees in them of all kind of fruits:

<sup>6</sup> I made me pools of water, to water therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees:

<sup>7</sup> I got me servants and maidens, and had servants born in my house; also I had great possessions of great and small cattle above all that were in Jerusalem before me:

<sup>8</sup> I gathered me also silver and gold, and the peculiar treasure of kings and of the provinces: I gat me men singers and women singers, and the delights of the sons of men, as musical instruments, and that of all sorts.

<sup>9</sup> So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in Jerusalem: also my wisdom remained with me.

<sup>10</sup> And whatsoever mine eyes desired I kept not from them, I withheld not my heart from any joy; for my heart rejoiced in all my labour: and this was my portion of all my labour.

<sup>11</sup> Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had laboured to do: and, behold, all was vanity and vexation of spirit, and there was no profit under the sun.

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<sup>18</sup> Yea, I hated all my labour which I had taken under the sun: because I should leave it unto the man that shall be after me.

<sup>19</sup> And who knoweth whether he shall be a wise man or a fool? yet shall he have rule over all my labour wherein I have laboured, and wherein I have shewed myself wise under the sun. This is also vanity.

<sup>20</sup> Therefore I went about to cause my heart to despair of all the labour which I took under the sun.

<sup>21</sup> For there is a man whose labour is in wisdom, and in knowledge, and in equity; yet to a man that hath not laboured therein shall he leave it for his portion. This also is vanity and a great evil.

<sup>22</sup> For what hath man of all his labour, and of the vexation of his heart, wherein he hath laboured under the sun?

<sup>23</sup> For all his days are sorrows, and his travail grief; yea, his heart taketh not rest in the night. This is also vanity.

### **Psalm: 62**

MY soul truly waiteth still upon God; \* for of him cometh my salvation.

2 He verily is my strength and my salvation; \* he is my defence, so that I shall not greatly fall.

3 How long will ye imagine mischief against every man? \* Ye shall be slain all the sort of you; yea, as a tottering wall shall ye be, and like a broken hedge.

4 Their device is only how to put him out whom God will exalt; \* their delight is in lies; they give good words with their mouth, but curse with their heart.

5 Nevertheless, my soul, wait thou still upon God; \* for my hope is in him.

6 He truly is my strength and my salvation; \* he is my defence, so that I shall not fall.

7 In God is my health and my glory; \* the rock of my might; and in God is my trust.

8 O put your trust in him alway, ye people; \* pour out your hearts before him, for God is our hope.

9 As for the children of men, they are but vanity; the children of men are deceitful; \* upon the weights they are altogether lighter than vanity itself.

10 O trust not in wrong and robbery; give not yourselves unto vanity: \* if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.

11 God spake once, and twice I have also heard the same, \* that power belongeth unto God;

12 And that thou, Lord, art merciful; \* for thou rewardest every man according to his work.

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**Epistle:** Deuteronomy 10:17-22

<sup>17</sup> For the LORD your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward:

<sup>18</sup> He doth execute the judgment of the fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment.

<sup>19</sup> Love ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

<sup>20</sup> Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God; him shalt thou serve, and to him shalt thou cleave, and swear by his name.

<sup>21</sup> He is thy praise, and he is thy God, that hath done for thee these great and terrible things, which thine eyes have seen.

<sup>22</sup> Thy fathers went down into Egypt with threescore and ten persons; and now the LORD thy God hath made thee as the stars of heaven for multitude.

**Gospel:** Matthew 5:43-48

<sup>43</sup> Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.

<sup>44</sup> But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

<sup>45</sup> That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

<sup>46</sup> For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?

<sup>47</sup> And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so?

<sup>48</sup> Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

## Trinity 6 07/11/2021

### Old Testament: Isaiah 57:13-19

<sup>13</sup> When thou criest, let thy companies deliver thee; but the wind shall carry them all away; vanity shall take them: but he that putteth his trust in me shall possess the land, and shall inherit my holy mountain;

<sup>14</sup> And shall say, Cast ye up, cast ye up, prepare the way, take up the stumblingblock out of the way of my people.

<sup>15</sup> For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

<sup>16</sup> For I will not contend for ever, neither will I be always wroth: for the spirit should fail before me, and the souls which I have made.

<sup>17</sup> For the iniquity of his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him: I hid me, and was wroth, and he went on frowardly in the way of his heart.

<sup>18</sup> I have seen his ways, and will heal him: I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his mourners.

<sup>19</sup> I create the fruit of the lips; Peace, peace to him that is far off, and to him that is near, saith the LORD; and I will heal him.

### Psalm: 85

LORD, thou art become gracious unto thy land; \* thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

2 Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people, \* and covered all their sins.

3 Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure, \* and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation.

4 Turn us then, O God our Saviour, \* and let thine anger cease from us.

5 Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever? \* and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation to another?

6 Wilt thou not turn again, and quicken us, \* that thy people may rejoice in thee?

7 Show us thy mercy, O LORD, \* and grant us thy salvation.

8 I will hearken what the LORD God will say; \* for he shall speak peace unto his people, and to his saints, that they turn not again unto foolishness.

9 For his salvation is nigh them that fear him; \* that glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth are met together: \* righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

11 Truth shall flourish out of the earth, \* and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.

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12 Yea, the LORD shall show loving-kindness; \* and our land shall give her increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him, \* and shall direct his going in the way.

**Epistle:** Romans 6:3-11

<sup>3</sup> Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?

<sup>4</sup> Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup> For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection:

<sup>6</sup> Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.

<sup>7</sup> For he that is dead is freed from sin.

<sup>8</sup> Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:

<sup>9</sup> Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.

<sup>10</sup> For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

<sup>11</sup> Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Gospel:** Matthew 5:20-26

<sup>20</sup> For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>21</sup> Ye have heard that it was said of them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment:

<sup>22</sup> But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

<sup>23</sup> Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee;

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<sup>24</sup> Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

<sup>25</sup> Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison.

<sup>26</sup> Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.

## Trinity 7 07/18/2021

### Old Testament:

<sup>1</sup> O Israel, return unto the LORD thy God; for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity.

<sup>2</sup> Take with you words, and turn to the LORD: say unto him, Take away all iniquity, and receive us graciously: so will we render the calves of our lips.

<sup>3</sup> Asshur shall not save us; we will not ride upon horses: neither will we say any more to the work of our hands, Ye are our gods: for in thee the fatherless findeth mercy.

<sup>4</sup> I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for mine anger is turned away from him.

<sup>5</sup> I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall grow as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon.

<sup>6</sup> His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and his smell as Lebanon.

<sup>7</sup> They that dwell under his shadow shall return; they shall revive as the corn, and grow as the vine: the scent thereof shall be as the wine of Lebanon.

<sup>8</sup> Ephraim shall say, What have I to do any more with idols? I have heard him, and observed him: I am like a green fir tree. From me is thy fruit found.

<sup>9</sup> Who is wise, and he shall understand these things? prudent, and he shall know them? for the ways of the LORD are right, and the just shall walk in them: but the transgressors shall fall therein.

### Psalm: 138

I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; \* even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

<sup>2</sup> I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth; \* for thou hast magnified thy Name, and thy word, above all things.

<sup>3</sup> When I called upon thee, thou heardest me; \* and enduedst my soul with much strength.

<sup>4</sup> All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O LORD; \* for they have heard the words of thy mouth.

<sup>5</sup> Yea, they shall sing of the ways of the LORD, \* that great is the glory of the LORD.

<sup>6</sup> For though the LORD be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly; \* as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.

<sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me; \* thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

<sup>8</sup> The LORD shall make good his loving-kindness toward me; \* yea, thy mercy, O LORD, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

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**Epistle: Romans 6:19-23**

<sup>19</sup> I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

<sup>20</sup> For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness.

<sup>21</sup> What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death.

<sup>22</sup> But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

<sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Gospel: Mark 8:1-9**

**8** In those days the multitude being very great, and having nothing to eat, Jesus called his disciples unto him, and saith unto them,

<sup>2</sup> I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now been with me three days, and have nothing to eat:

<sup>3</sup> And if I send them away fasting to their own houses, they will faint by the way: for divers of them came from far.

<sup>4</sup> And his disciples answered him, From whence can a man satisfy these men with bread here in the wilderness?

<sup>5</sup> And he asked them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven.

<sup>6</sup> And he commanded the people to sit down on the ground: and he took the seven loaves, and gave thanks, and brake, and gave to his disciples to set before them; and they did set them before the people.

<sup>7</sup> And they had a few small fishes: and he blessed, and commanded to set them also before them.

<sup>8</sup> So they did eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken meat that was left seven baskets.

<sup>9</sup> And they that had eaten were about four thousand: and he sent them away.

## Trinity 8 07/25/2021

**Old Testament:** Ecclesiasticus 1:18-27

The crown of wisdom is the fear of the Lord  
as she bestows peace and perfect health.

<sup>[a]</sup>[Both are gifts of the Lord for peace;  
glory opens out for those who love him.  
He saw her and recognized her value.]

<sup>19</sup>The Lord has seen and appraised her,  
showering down knowledge and discerning understanding  
and heightening the glory of those who possess her.

<sup>20</sup>The root of wisdom is fear of the Lord,  
and her branches bring forth long life.

<sup>[21</sup>The fear of the Lord takes away sin,  
and he who perseveres turns away all anger.]<sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>22</sup>Unjustified anger can never be excused;  
anger will be the cause of a man's downfall.

<sup>23</sup>A patient man endures difficulties for a time,  
and then he regains his sense of contentment.

<sup>24</sup>Until the appropriate moment he keeps his thoughts to himself,  
and then the lips of many affirm his wisdom.

<sup>25</sup>The treasuries of wisdom contain wise maxims,  
but the fear of God is an abomination to the sinner.

<sup>26</sup>If you desire wisdom, keep the commandments,  
and the Lord will lavish her upon you.<sup>[c]</sup>

<sup>27</sup>For the fear of the Lord is wisdom and discipline,  
fidelity and humility are his delight.

### Psalm: 64

HEAR my voice, O God, in my prayer; \* preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

2 Hide me from the gathering together of the froward, \* and from the insurrection of wicked doers;

3 Who have whet their tongue like a sword, \* and shoot out their arrows, even bitter words;

4 That they may privily shoot at him that is perfect: \* suddenly do they hit him, and fear not.

5 They encourage themselves in mischief, \* and commune among themselves, how they may lay snares; and say, that no man shall see them.

6 They imagine wickedness, and practise it; \* that they keep secret among themselves, every man in the deep of his heart.

7 But God shall suddenly shoot at them with a swift arrow, \* that they shall be wounded.

8 Yea, their own tongues shall make them fall; \* insomuch that whoso seeth them shall laugh them to scorn.

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9 And all men that see it shall say, This hath God done; \* for they shall perceive that it is his work.

10 The righteous shall rejoice in the LORD, and put his trust in him; \* and all they that are true of heart shall be glad.

**Epistle:** Romans 8:12-17

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.

<sup>13</sup> For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

<sup>14</sup> For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

<sup>15</sup> For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

<sup>16</sup> The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

<sup>17</sup> And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

**Gospel:** Matthew 7:15-21

<sup>15</sup> Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

<sup>16</sup> Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?

<sup>17</sup> Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

<sup>18</sup> A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

<sup>19</sup> Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

<sup>20</sup> Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

<sup>21</sup> Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.