

The 17th Sunday after Pentecost September 19, 2021

Did You Feel The Mountains Tremble?

1. Did you feel the mountains tremble? Did you hear the oceans roar? When the people rose to sing of Jesus Christ the risen One.

2. Did you feel the people tremble? Did you hear the singers roar? When the lost began to sing of Jesus Christ the risen One.

B. And we can see that God you're moving, a mighty river through the nations; and young and old will turn to Jesus. Fling wide your heavenly gates; prepare the way of the risen Lord.

C. Open up the doors and let the music play. Let the streets resound with singing. Songs that bring your hope; songs that bring your peace. Dancers who dance upon injustice.

3. Did you feel the darkness tremble? When all the saints join in one song, and all the streams flow as one river to wash away our brokenness.

B. And here we see that God you're moving. A time of Jubilee is coming when young and old return to Jesus. Fling wide your heavenly gates. Prepare the way of the risen Lord.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant Let us pray

All Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

The Summary of the Law

Celebrant Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

The Kyrie

CelebrantLord, have mercy upon us.PeopleChrist, have mercy upon us.CelebrantLord, have mercy upon us.

The Wonderful Cross

1. When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of Glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

2. See from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did ever such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

C. O the wonderful cross! O the wonderful cross! Bids me come and die, and find that I may truly live. O the wonderful cross! O the wonderful cross! All who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name.

3. Were the whole realm of nature mine that were an offering far too small. Love so amazing, so divine demands my soul, my life, my all.

Way Maker

1. You are here, moving in our midst. I worship You; I worship You. You are here, working in this place. I worship You; I worship You.

C. You are, Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness. My God, that is who You are.

2. You are here, turning lives around, I worship You; I worship You. You are here, mending every heart. I worship You; I worship You.

T. That is who You are

B. Even when I don't see it, You're working. Even when I don't feel it, You're working. You never stop, You never stop working. You never stop, You never stop working.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you People And also with you

Celebrant Let us pray.

(Children are invited to go to Children's Church and Encounter.)

Lessons

Wisdom 1:16-2:1, 12-22

¹⁶ It was the wicked who with hands and words invited death, considered it a friend, and pined for it, and made a covenant with it, because they deserve to be allied with it.

¹ For, not thinking rightly, they said among themselves: "Brief and troubled is our lifetime; there is no remedy for our dying, nor is anyone known to have come back from Hades.

^{12"} Let us lie in wait for the righteous one, because he is annoying to us; he opposes our actions, reproaches us for transgressions of the law and charges us with violations of our training. ¹³ He professes to have knowledge of God and styles himself a child of the LORD. ¹⁴ To us he is the censure of our thoughts; merely to see him is a hardship for us, ¹⁵ because his life is not like that of others, and different are his ways. ¹⁶He judges us debased; he holds aloof from our paths as from things impure. He calls blest the destiny of the righteous and boasts that God is his Father.

¹⁷ "Let us see whether his words be true; let us find out what will happen to him in the end. ¹⁸ For if the righteous one is the son of God, God will help him and deliver him from the hand of his foes. ¹⁹ With violence and torture let us put him to the test that we may have proof of his gentleness and try his patience. ²⁰ Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him."

²¹ These were their thoughts, but they erred; for their wickedness blinded them, ²² and they did not know the hidden counsels of God; neither did they count on a recompense for holiness nor discern the innocent souls' reward.

Reader The Word of the Lord **People Thanks be to God**

Psalm 54

¹ Save me, O God, for your Name's sake, and avenge me in your strength.
² Hear my prayer, O God, and hearken to the words of my mouth.
³ For the arrogant have risen up against me, and tyrants, who do not have God before their eyes, seek after my life.

⁴ Behold, God is my helper;

the Lord is he who upholds my life.

⁵ He shall repay the evil of my enemies.

O destroy them in your faithfulness.

⁶ A freewill offering will I give you,

and praise your Name, O Lord, because it is good. ⁷ For he has delivered me out of all my trouble,

and my eye has seen the ruin of my enemies

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; * as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

James 3:16-4:6

¹⁶ For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. ¹⁷ But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸ And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

4 What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ² You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴ You adulterous people! Do you not know that

friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? ⁶But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

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People Thanks be to God

The Gospel Mark 9:30-37

Priest The Holy Gospel our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark

People Glory to You Lord Christ

³⁰ They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, ³¹ for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise." ³² But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

³³ And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" ³⁴ But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵ And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶ And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord People Praise to You Lord Christ

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people [gathered around every altar of your Church], and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Closing Song

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

1. O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee; my heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.
 O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.
 O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red; life that shall endless be.

Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!