

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 10

What the Lord Has to Say

July 11, 2021

AS WE GATHER

In today's Gospel, it looks like the end of the story when John the Baptist is executed. But he was but the forerunner for Jesus, the promised Messiah. Appearances were certainly deceiving! That was the case with Amos, a herdsman and dresser of sycamore figs when the Lord called him. He did not look like a prophet, but he stood up to Amaziah and Jeroboam in a long line of faithful prophets. Sometimes Satan uses appearances to deceive us, but the Epistle reminds us that God had predestined us to be with Him forever—even before He began creation! Although others might not recognize it, the Holy Spirit is the guarantee of our inheritance. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!



✠ PREPARATION ✠

SONG “Open the Eyes of my Heart Lord” by Paul Baloche

Chorus **Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You, I want to see You
Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You, I want to see You**

Verse **To see You high and lifted up
Shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy holy holy (*Repeat Chorus & Verse one time*)**

Ending **Holy holy holy, Holy holy holy, Holy holy holy
I want to see You
Holy holy holy, Holy holy holy, Holy holy holy
I want to see You**

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 85:1–13*

Pastor: Today's psalm has two parts. The first is the plea of the psalmist to God, and the second is his announcement of God's promised salvation. We now use Psalm 85 as we confess our sins and hear God's forgiveness for Jesus' sake.

Pastor: LORD, You were favorable to Your land;
People: **You restored the fortunes of Jacob.**

Pastor: You forgave the iniquity of Your people;
People: **You covered all their sin.**

Pastor: You withdrew all Your wrath;
People: **You turned from Your hot anger.**

Pastor: Restore us again, O God of our salvation,
People: **and put away Your indignation toward us!**

Pastor: Will You be angry with us forever?
People: **Will You prolong Your anger to all generations?**

Pastor: Will You not revive us again,
People: **that Your people may rejoice in You?**

Pastor: Show us Your steadfast love, O LORD,
People: **and grant us Your salvation.**

We confess, Lord our God, that we have listened to the voices of Satan, the world, and our own desires. We have not loved You with all that we are and have, and we have not considered our neighbors' needs as important as our own. We can only throw ourselves on the mercy of Your gracious court and ask for forgiveness, that we may amend our sinful ways.

Pastor: Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints;
People: **but let them not turn back to folly.**

Pastor: Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him,
People: **that glory may dwell in our land.**

Pastor: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
People: **righteousness and peace kiss each other.**

Pastor: Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
People: **and righteousness looks down from the sky.**

Pastor: Yes, the LORD will give what is good,
People: **and our land will yield its increase.**

Pastor: Righteousness will go before Him
People: **and make His footsteps a way.**

Pastor: The steadfast love and faithfulness of our God are endless. For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ and His sacrifice for all our sins, God declares us to be His own children and has opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

☩ WORD ☩

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.
O Lord, You granted Your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance.
People: **Give us pure hearts and minds to follow Your Son faithfully even into suffering and death;**

Pastor: through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
People: **Amen.**

SONG “Ancient Words” by Lynn DeShazo

Holy words, long preserved for our walk in this world,

they resound with God’s own heart. Oh, let the ancient words impart. Words of life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope. In this world where’er we roam ancient words will guide us home.

**Ancient words, ever true,
changing me and changing you,
we have come with open hearts.
Oh, let the ancient words impart.**

**Holy words of our faith, handed down to this age,
came to us through sacrifice. Oh, heed the faithful words of Christ.
Holy words, long preserved for our walk in this world,
they resound with God’s own heart. Oh, let the ancient words impart.**

**Ancient words, ever true,
changing me and changing you,
we have come with open hearts.
Oh, let the ancient words impart.**

ANCIENT WORDS
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OLD TESTAMENT READING *Amos 7:7–15* page 769

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE *Ephesians 1:3–14* page 976

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 6:14–29* page 841

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.
People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(The Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.*

*And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He
descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He
ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.*

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY "Change My Heart Oh God" by Eddie Espinosa

Chorus Change my heart oh God
Make it ever true
Change my heart oh God
May I be like You

Chorus Change my heart oh God
Make it ever true
Change my heart oh God
May I be like You

Verse You are the potter
I am the clay
Mold me and make me
This is what I pray

Chorus Change my heart oh God
Make it ever true
Change my heart oh God
May I be like You

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MESSAGE

RETURN TITHES & GIFTS TO GOD

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9-13*

People: Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24-26*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

HYMN "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" **LSB 922**

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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