

## Weekly Supplement – Season of Creation – September 5, 2021 10 a.m. Service

***Processional Hymn: CP 355 All Creatures of Our God and King***

### **Collect of the Day:**

Officiant: Let us pray,  
**All: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, so that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**  
Alternative collects, liturgy task force, ACC

Officiant: Providing God, by your Holy Spirit feed us with your Word, that we might be filled with the bread of life. Amen.

### **First Reading: Proverbs (22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23)**

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favour is better than silver or gold. The rich and the poor have this in common: the Lord is the maker of them all. Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail. Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor. Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate; for the Lord pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to all People.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalms 125**

1 Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, \* **which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.**  
2 The hills stand about Jerusalem; \* **so does the Lord stand round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.**  
3 The sceptre of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, \* **so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.**  
4 Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good \* **and to those who are true of heart.**  
5 As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, the Lord will lead them away with the evildoers; \* **but peace be upon Israel.**

Together Let us pray:

**Lord, surround your people with your presence. Do not let us stretch out our hands to evil deeds, or be destroyed by the snares of the enemy, but bring us to share the land prepared for the saints in light, where you live and reign, God, now and forever. Amen.**

### **Second Reading: James 2:1-10, 11-13, 14-17**

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to all People  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn: This Is My Father's World (v 1 and 2 before the Gospel and v 3 after the Gospel)**

1 This is my Father's world,  
And to my listening ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings  
The music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world:  
I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas--  
His hand the wonders wrought.

2 This is my Father's world:  
The birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white,  
Declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world:  
He shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass,  
He speaks to me everywhere.

**Gospel: Mark 7:24-37**

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Officiant: The Good News of Jesus Christ.  
All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Gradual Hymn continued**

3 This is my Father's world: O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world: Why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is King: let the heavens ring! God reigns; let earth be glad!

**Prayers of the People**

Leader: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, Teacher, Provider this is what you want us to learn not the world's wisdom, but God's and so we pray: awaken us to our need of you in our lives and you will give us your life. Move us with sorrow for the sorrow of the world.

**People: And you will make us strong through our tears**

Leader: Give us the humility to admit our failures and you will bring treasure out of them. Make us hungry for justice as we work to eradicate hunger for all.

**People: And you will give us food that lasts**

Leader: Help us to see others through your eyes that our vision will again and again be yours.

**People: And you will show us ourselves with love**

*Specific petitions and celebrations are offered at this time*

Leader: Show us how to practise what we preach and we will see good, and God in everyone. Support us in standing firm for truth and justice, even when it cost.

**People: And the truth will also make us free. Amen, and Amen.**

The Pattern of Our Days: Liturgies and resources for worship; Edited by Kathy Galloway; The Iona Community;

**Offertory Hymn: CP 430 Will You Come and Follow Me**

**Music during Communion:**

**CP 292 We Cannot Measure How You Heal**

**CP 65 Here, Lord, We Take the Broken Bread**

**Recessional Hymn: CP 418 Draw the Circle Wide**