

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 15, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Processional Hymn: B #381

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, in our baptism you adopted us for your own. Quicken, we pray, your Spirit within us, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Exodus 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your

sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel. The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you

brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Psalm 106 *Tune: Richmond*

Give thanks to God, for he is good,
His mercy lasts always;
Who can declare his mighty acts
Or show forth all his praise?

Happy are those whose acts are just,
Who always do the right!
Remember me, Lord, with your grace,
Visit me with your might;

That I may see your chosen ones
In their prosperity,
That I may glory and be glad
With your posterity.

Second Reading: Acts 1:6-11

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

**Gradual Hymn: B #43, vs. 1 & 2
before the Gospel, v. 3 after the
Gospel**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered

all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Offertory Hymn: B #61

Prayer over the Gifts

God of constant love, in this eucharist you renew the covenant made once with us in baptism. As you are faithful in all things may we, in our offering, be faithful to our calling. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Communion Hymns: Beginnings

O Praise the Name

I cast my mind to Calvary

Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds, His hands, His feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree.

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone.

O Praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord, oh Lord our God.

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O Trampled death, where is your sting?
The angels roar for Christ the King.

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord, oh Lord our God.

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face.

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O Praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord, oh Lord our God.

Oh Lord, oh Lord our God.

How Great is Our God/How Great Thou

Art

The splendor of the King, clothed in
majesty

Let all the Earth rejoice

All the earth rejoice

We wraps himself in light

And darkness tries to hide

And trembles at His voice

Trembles at His voice.

How great is our God, sing with me

How great is our God, and all will see

How great, how great is our God.

Age to age He stands

And time is in His hands

Beginning and the end

Beginning and the end.

The Godhead Three in One

Father, Spirit, Son

The Lion and the Lamb

The Lion and the Lamb

How great is our God, sing with me

How great is our God, and all will see

How great, how great is our God

Name above all names

Worthy of our Praise

My heart will sing

How great is our God

How great is our God, sing with me

How great is our God, and all will see

How great, how great is our God.

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder

Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,

Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee.

How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,

Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in.

That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,

He bled and died to take away my sin!

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee.

How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee.

How great thou art, how great Thou art!

After Communion:

The Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you

Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you

The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.

A-men A-men A-men

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The Lord bless you and keep you

Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you

The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.

A-Men A-men A-men

A-men A-men A-men

May His favour be upon you, and a thousand generations

And your family and your children

And their children and their children

May His presence go before you, and behind you and beside you

All around you and within you, He is with you, He is with you

In the morning, in the evening, in your coming and your going

In your weeping and rejoicing,

He is for you. He is for you.

A-Men A-men A-men

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Prayer after Communion

Faithful God, in baptism and eucharist we are made one with you. May we who have shared in holy things always bear witness to your covenant, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn: B #401

ANNOUNCEMENTS for Oct. 15, 2023

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: MON 7:15PM

A year long journey using Following the Call: Living the Sermon on the Mount Together, to explore Jesus' teachings.

PINT & A PASSAGE: TUES 7PM

Join the conversation about the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday at Rob Roy's. Bring your Bible and an open mind.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is looking for donations of previously loved lego, a few wooden puzzles, baby dolls – even if they have no clothes because we are swaddling

them; an old fashioned wood cradle, baskets and a manger. (just in case there is one lying around?) Small 12 x 1pieces of flannelette (for swaddling) would be greatly appreciated too. With much appreciation to all of St. John's congregation for their continued support! Emily and Nancy.

CHOIR

Anyone interested in joining our choir, please contact Sterling Bennett at (613) 283-7833 or (613) 285-4263.

PRAY K7A

Come and pray for Smiths Falls and area. The last Sunday of each month Christians from across Smiths Falls will gather to pray for the town and area, to sing praise to God, and to encourage each other. This month, October 29, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., we'll gather at Calvary Bible Church, 15 Beech Street. We'll be praying generally for the Town and area, so please bring your own cares and concerns to pray with the Christian community. Music will be led by members of the Calvary worship ministry team.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS

For the month of October there will be baskets set up at the front of the Church

for donations to the Food Bank.

GAMES NIGHT

Friday, October 27, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Please join us for some fun, food, fellowship and games! Bring your own games to share or try some of the ones we have on hand. There will be a meal provided at 5:30 (donation offering is available). If you have any questions, please contact Laura Porter (613) 430-9865.

For today's service:

Presiding Celebrant: Rev. Dr. Thomas Brauer

Preacher: Rev. Canon Jim Roberts

Reader & Intercessor: Trish Warren

Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis & Donna Howard

Greeters: Linda Coleman & Gail Brennan

Readings for next Sunday, October 22, 2023:

Ex 33 :12-23 ; Ps 99 ; Acts 3 :11-16; Mt 22 :15-22

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