

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JUNE 19, 2022
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HOLY EUCHARIST

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson: Isaiah 65:1-9

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:18-27

- 18 Be not far away, O Lord; *
you are my strength; hasten to help me.
- 19 Save me from the sword, *
my life from the power of the dog.
- 20 Save me from the lion's mouth, *
my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.
- 21 I will declare your Name to my brethren; *
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.
- 22 Praise the Lord, you that fear him; *stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
- 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them; *
but when they cry to him he hears them.
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.

The Second Lesson: Galatians 3:23-29

A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Lesson: Luke 8:26-39

All stand, as they are able.

The ✠ Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to St. Luke
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me” – for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, “Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of our Savior.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

TODAY'S MUSIC

Hymn No. 388
Hymn No. 529
Hymn No. 607
Hymn No. 658
Hymn No. 535

Hanover
Gott sei Dank
Llangloffan
Martyrdom
Paderborn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers are given by Melissa Jelenek in memory of Karen Suggs and by Liz Neumeyer for Father's Day in memory of her father, Raymond L. Neumeyer, and Karen's father, Robert J. Snyder.

Reminders TODAY:

- Venture Crew, 2 p.m.

Reminders THIS WEEK:

- Monday: St. Thomas Night Out 6 p.m. Moonraker
- Friday: Mass for Nativity of St. John the Baptist at noon in the chapel.

Fr. Brian and John will be on vacation through June 22.

We welcome Brooks Grantier to the organ today as Dr. White is at the Association of Anglican Musicians conference.

St. Thomas Booster Campaign: Throughout June, the Stewardship and Fundraising Commission is asking parishioners to participate in this fundraising campaign to help bridge an expected \$20,000 budget deficit for 2022. You can make a new pledge, increase your pledge, or make a one-time gift. Online giving options are available. For more information, see the article in the NewSpirit or pick up a flyer at church.

Parish Growth & Development is seeking input and ideas to update our newcomer welcoming. Please submit your thoughts and ideas as well as your willingness to attend a one-time short brainstorming in person or via Zoom to Sue Shafe's vestry mailbox or sueashafe@att.net .

Counters needed: Please see Noreen Sidnam if you are interested in serving in this important ministry.

St. Thomas Night Out is June 20th at the Moonraker. Please let Noreen Sidnam know if you will be attending at (269) 965-4952.

St. Mary's Circle is collecting donations for Keegan Gregory who was in the Oxford school shooting. Donations to Karen Keese, please.

Coffee Hour Volunteers are needed for the summer. The sign-up sheet is in the parish hall.

Next Sunday's Lessons: 1 Kings 19:15-16,19-21; Psalm 16; Galatians 5:1,13-25; Luke 9:51-62

For a listing of the coming week's activities see the yellow sheet in the hallway or check out our website at: www.StThomasBC.org.

SERVING THIS WEEK:

10:00 a.m.

Presider:	The Rev. Heather Barta
Sub-Deacon:	Hans Prechtel
Lector:	Barb Hibiske
Intercessor:	Kathy Dingwall
Crucifer:	Jodi Nickerson
Chalice:	Kathy Dingwall & Kyle Lendel
Altar Chapter:	Brenda Hillman & Mira Wuerges
Ushers:	Ken Surprenant & Bernie Squires
Greeter:	Monica Gray
A/V Technician:	Yvette Petti
Vestry Liaison:	Barb Hibiske