

THE EPISTLE

2 Timothy 2:1-13

You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus,² and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also.³ Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.⁴ No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him.⁵ An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules.⁶ It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops.⁷ Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel,⁹ for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound!¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.¹¹ The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him;
if we deny him, he also will deny us;
¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful –
for he cannot deny himself.

THE ALLELUIA & VERSE *Divine Service Only* Lk. 5:15

Alleluia. Now even more the report about him went abroad,
**and great crowds gathered to hear him and to be
healed of their infirmities. Alleluia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 17:11-17

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³ and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” ¹⁴ When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸ Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹ And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 13, 2019



The Healing of the Ten Lepers

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ST. LUKE 17:11 – 19

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

Liturgy:

8am: The Divine Service Setting III, P. 184.

10:15am: The Order of Matins, P. 219.

Opening Hymn	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	790
Hymn of the Day	Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old	846
Communion 1	Christ, the Life of All the Living	420
Communion 2	Entrust Your Days and Burdens	754
Communion 3	When to Our World the Savior Came	551
Closing Hymn	Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious	548

8am: THE CHOIR sings during the *Offering* and the *Distribution*: "Give Thanks With a Grateful Heart," and "Now Thank We All Our God."

10:15: THE WYNEKEN SINGERS sing during the *Offering*, "Bless the Lord My Soul."

THE INTROIT

Ps. 34:2-4, 17; antiphon Ps. 48:1a

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.

**Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his name together!**

I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.

**When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears
and delivers them out of all their troubles.**

[sung] Glory be to the Father and to the Son...

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Grant us always to recognize your goodness, give thanks for your compassion, and praise your holy name; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT

Ruth 1:1 – 19a

In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. ²The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. ³But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, ⁵and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

⁶Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the LORD had visited his people and given them food. ⁷So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. ⁸But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. ⁹The LORD grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. ¹⁰And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." ¹¹But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? ¹²Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, ¹³would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the LORD has gone out against me." ¹⁴Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

¹⁵And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." ¹⁶But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you." ¹⁸And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.

¹⁹So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.