

**Sunday, June 20, 2021**

## **Third Sunday after Trinity**

### **Collect of the Day**

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### **First Reading**

*Job 38.1-11*

<sup>1</sup>The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:  
<sup>2</sup>‘Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?  
<sup>3</sup>Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.  
<sup>4</sup>‘Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.  
<sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements – surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?  
<sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone  
<sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?  
<sup>8</sup>‘Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb? –  
<sup>9</sup>when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band,  
<sup>10</sup>and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors,  
<sup>11</sup>and said, “Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped?”  
(NRSV)

### **Second Reading**

*2 Corinthians 6.1-13*

<sup>1</sup>As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says, ‘At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.’

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see – we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup>We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. <sup>12</sup>There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup>In return – I speak as to children – open wide your hearts also. (NRSV)

### **Gospel**

*Mark 4.35-41*

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Let us go across to the other side.’ <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, ‘Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?’ <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, ‘Peace! Be still!’ Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, ‘Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?’ <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, ‘Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?’ (NRSV)

### **Post Communion Prayer**

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.