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The Order of Service will not be available for this week

The 15th Sunday after Pentecost

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Thank you!



Today's Readings

Sunday, September 18, 2022 15th Sunday after Pentecost

Prayer of the Day

God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading

Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land,

⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,

and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Psalm

Psalm 113; tone 5



Hallelujah!

Give praise, you servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

²Let the name of the

¹ LORD be blessed,
from this time forth
for- ¹ evermore.

³From the rising of the sun

to its | going down let the name of the | LORD be praised.

⁴The LORD is high a- | bove all nations, God's glory a- | bove the heavens.

⁵Who is like the ¹ LORD our God, who sits en- ¹ throned on high,

6but stoops | to behold the heavens | and the earth?

⁷The LORD takes up the weak out ¹ of the dust and lifts up the poor ¹ from the ashes,

⁸enthroning them | with the rulers, with the rulers | of the people.

⁹The LORD makes the woman of a ¹ childless house to be a joyful mother of children. ¹ Hallelujah!

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, 4who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For

there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind. Christ Jesus, himself human, ⁶who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. ⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Gospel

Luke 16:1-13

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. 2So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. 4I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' 5So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' 6He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' 7Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make

it eighty.' 8And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

10"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. 11 If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? 12And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? 13 No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

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