

2nd GOSPEL LESSON ~ Matthew 9: 10-13 ~ page 842 in the pew Bible

And as he [Jesus] sat at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Jesus and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

L: This is the word of the Lord; **P: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Humility and Mercy" Rev. Frank Wyche

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* Inside front cover of Hymnal

*HYMN *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* #355

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #815

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (...debtors/debtors...)

*HYMN *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* #688

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE *If My People Will Pray* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE Carolyn Wallace

*Those who are able may stand.

BOLDFACE TYPE indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

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**For Christ died for
sins once for all,
the righteous for
the unrighteous.**

1 Peter 3:18



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October 23, 2016 ~ 30th Sunday, Ordinary Time

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October 23, 2016

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Carolyn Wallace

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Humble Thyself in the Sight of the LORD* Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 5: 2-3a, 7, 11-12

L: Harken to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you I pray. O LORD, in the morning you indeed hear my voice.

P: Through the abundance of your steadfast love, I will enter your house. In awe and adoration of you, I will worship toward your holy temple.

L: Let all who take refuge in you rejoice, and let them ever sing for joy. Defend them, that those who love you may exult in you.

P: For you indeed bless the righteous, O LORD; you cover them with favor as with a shield.

***UNISON OPENING PRAYER** ~ From the PC(USA) *Book of Common Worship*

Eternal God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – you sent Jesus among us to seek and to save those who are lost. Grant that we may eagerly seek our Savior, and joyfully welcome him into our hearts and our homes. By the Holy Spirit, lead us to do in gladness what is pleasing in your sight, we ask in Christ’s name. Amen.

***HYMN**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

#210

RESPONSIVE CALL TO CONFESSION ~ Isaiah 55: 6-7

L: Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts;

P: Let them return to the LORD that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we ask you to forgive our sins, and to open our eyes to your truth. Forgive us for the sin of pride, when we see ourselves as innocent when we are guilty, pure when we are stained, and superior when we are no better than others. Forgive us for the sin of greed, when we clutch tightly to what is our own, instead of sharing with those in need. We blame the unnamed poor as responsible for their own poverty, but see our unemployed family and friends as victims of others. We insist on our own way, believing we see truth more clearly than anyone else, even when our attitudes and opinions are in clear conflict with the Bible. Lord, have mercy upon us, and save us from our blind and willful descent into sin.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON ~ 2 Corinthians 5: 15, 17-18b, 19, 21

L: Christ died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves, but for him who died for their sake, and was raised.

P: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, they are a new creation. The old life has passed away; behold, the new life has come.

L: All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ, God was reconciling the world to God, not counting their trespasses against them.

P: For our sake God made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Christ Jesus we are able to become the righteousness of God.

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI**

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ANTHEM

If My People Will Pray

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN’S LESSON ~ *Children through 5th grade may go to Junior Church afterward*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Hosea 6: 1-6 ~ page 779 in the pew Bible

[The people say,] “Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn, that he may heal us; he has stricken, and he will bind us up. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his going forth is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth.” [The LORD answers,] “What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes early away. Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have slain them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God, rather than burnt offerings.”

1st GOSPEL LESSON ~ Luke 18: 9-14 ~ page 911 in the pew Bible

He [Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and despised others: “Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.’ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for those who exalt themselves will be humbled, but those who humble themselves will be exalted.”