

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
October 24, 2021

Welcome & Silence

Gathering Hymn: "Amazing Grace"

Hymnal #671

**1. Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.**

**2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.**

**4. Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come,
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.**

**5. When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.**

Opening Verse, Confession & Absolution

Officiant Sow for yourselves righteousness; reap steadfast love; break up your fallow ground; for it is time to seek the Lord, that God may come and rain righteousness upon us. Amen.
(Hosea 10:12)

Let us examine our lives in the presence of God, humbly confessing our sins and opening our hearts. I invite you to bow your head, or take some other posture of humility before God.

A brief silence for reflection follows.

Officiant God the Creator and Source, Ruler of creation,
People **have mercy upon us.**

Officiant God the Incarnate Word, through whom all things were made,
People **have mercy upon us.**

Officiant God the Holy Spirit, who renews the face of the earth,
People **have mercy upon us.**

Officiant Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, creating and saving God,
People **have mercy upon us.**

Priest

God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to abundance of life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Song of Praise - October

Hymnal #412, verses 2 & 5

**2. Hail, wind and rain, loud blowing snowstorms, sing to the Lord a new song!
Flowers and trees, loud rustling dry leaves, sing to the Lord a new song!
God has done marvelous things;
I too shall praise God with a new song!**

5. **Classrooms and labs, loud boiling test tubes, sing to the Lord a new song!**
Athlete and band, loud cheering people, sing to the Lord a new song!
God has done marvelous things;
I too shall praise God with a new song!

The Collects of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Loving God, you open your hand and scatter blessings upon all your children. Give us grateful hearts in times of plenty, and faithful hearts in times of want. Stir us with your Spirit, in this and every season of our lives, to use whatever you place in our hands to add to the world's measure of hope, wholeness, and delight. We pray all this in the name of Christ, the Giver and the Gift. Amen.

The First Reading: Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Reader A reading from the book of Job.

Job answered the Lord:

"I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?'

Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,

things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.

'Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me.'

I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you;

therefore I relent, and find comfort in dust and ashes."

And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Song of Faith: Psalm 34:1-11, ICEL Version

I will never stop thanking God with constant words of praise.

My soul will boast of God; the poor will hear me and be glad.

Join me in praising the Lord, together tell of God's name.

I asked and the Lord responded, freed me from all my fears.

Turn to God, be bright with joy; you shall never be let down.

I begged and God heard, took my burdens from me. *Continued*

God's angel defends the faithful, guards them on every side.

Drink in the richness of God, savor the strength of the Lord.

Live in awe of God, you saints; you will want for nothing.

Even if lions go hungry, those seeking God are fed.

The Gospel Reading: Mark 10:46-52

Reader A reading from the Gospel of Mark.

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say,

Bartimaeus Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!

Reader Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly,

Bartimaeus Son of David, have mercy on me!

Reader Jesus stood still and said,

Jesus Call him here.

Reader And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him,

Jesus What do you want me to do for you?

Bartimaeus My teacher, let me see again.

Jesus Go; your faith has made you well.

Reader Immediately he regained his sight and followed Jesus on the way.
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Homily

The Rev. Miranda Hassett

The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray, using the prayer Jesus taught us. You may unmute yourself if you choose, and you may pray using any version of this prayer that is in your heart.

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Send prayer requests to prayers@stdunstans.com.

- Officiant* Let us continue in prayer. We will hold up our needs and blessings to God. You can speak your prayers out loud, type them into the Chat area, or hold them in your heart. As you are able, please hold others' prayer requests before God in your heart as well.
Let us pray for all churches and their leaders, and for all God's people everywhere.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.
- Officiant* Let us pray for all those in authority.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.
- Officiant* Let us pray for all nations and peoples.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.
- Officiant* Let us pray for the earth and the whole created order.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.
- Officiant* Let us pray for our local communities.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.
- Officiant* Let us pray for those in any need or trouble, especially those on our parish prayer list: You are invited to name others in need of prayer, and to hold up your own struggles to the light of God's love.
The people may offer additional names.
- Officiant* Let us pray for all who have died, and for those who mourn.
The people may offer additional names.
- Officiant* Let us pray for our common life and work as God's people.
The people may offer their prayers aloud.
- Priest* Eternal God, creator and ruler of heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sharing of Blessings

Passing of the Peace

Celebrant You shall go out in joy and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People **And also with you!**

Announcements

The Blessing & Dismissal

Celebrant Holy God, your mercy is over all your works,
and in the web of life each creature has its role and place.
We praise you for ocelot and owl, cactus and kelp, tide and topsoil.
Give us humility to recognize all creatures as your beloved ones,
And share the bounty of creation with all our neighbors.
And may the blessing of the Holy and Undivided Trinity be upon us, now and always.

Amen.

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

Sending Song: "What we need is here"