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THURSDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2020

COLLECT

Lord, you have taught us  
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:  
send your Holy Spirit  
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,  
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.  
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

2 KINGS 24. 8-17

A reading from the second book of Kings.

The king of Egypt did not come again out of his land, for the king of Babylon had taken over all that belonged to the king of Egypt from the Wadi of Egypt to the River Euphrates.

Jehoiachin was eighteen years old when he began to reign; he reigned for three months in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Nehushta daughter of Elnathan of Jerusalem. He did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, just as his father had done.

At that time the servants of King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon came up to Jerusalem, and the city was besieged. King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon came to the city, while his servants were besieging it; King Jehoiachin of Judah gave himself up to the king of Babylon, himself, his mother, his servants, his officers, and his palace officials. The king of Babylon took him prisoner in the eighth year of his reign.

He carried off all the treasures of the house of the Lord, and the treasures of the king's house; he cut in pieces all the vessels of gold in the temple of the Lord, which King Solomon of Israel had made, all this as the Lord had foretold. He carried away all Jerusalem, all the officials, all the warriors, ten thousand captives, all the artisans and the smiths; no one remained, except the poorest people of the land. He carried away Jehoiachin to Babylon; the king's mother, the king's wives, his officials, and the elite of the land, he took into captivity from Jerusalem to Babylon. The king of Babylon brought captive to Babylon all the men of valour, seven thousand, the artisans and the smiths, one thousand, all of them strong and fit for war. The king of Babylon made Mattaniah, Jehoiachin's uncle, king in his place, and changed his name to Zedekiah.

For the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 79

**R: Help us, O God of our salvation.**

O God, the heathen have come into your heritage;  
your holy temple have they defiled  
and made Jerusalem a heap of stones.  
The dead bodies of your servants they have given  
to be food for the birds of the air,  
and the flesh of your faithful to the beasts of the field.  
Their blood have they shed like water  
on every side of Jerusalem,  
and there was no one to bury them. **R:**

We have become the taunt of our neighbours,  
the scorn and derision of those that are round about us.  
Lord, how long will you be angry, for ever?  
How long will your jealous fury blaze like fire?  
Pour out your wrath upon the nations that have not known you,  
and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your name. **R:**

For they have devoured Jacob  
and laid waste his dwelling place.  
Remember not against us our former sins;  
let your compassion make haste to meet us,

for we are brought very low.  
Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name;  
deliver us, and wipe away our sins for your name's sake. **R:**

Why should the heathen say,  
'Where is now their God?'  
Let vengeance for your servants' blood that is shed  
be known among the nations in our sight.  
Let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come before you,  
and by your mighty arm  
preserve those who are condemned to die. **R:**

May the taunts with which our neighbours taunted you, Lord,  
return sevenfold into their bosom.  
But we that are your people and the sheep of your pasture  
will give you thanks for ever,  
and tell of your praise from generation to generation. **R:**

## MATTHEW 7. 21-29

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.  
**Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening;  
you have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!

**Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you.**

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Matthew.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said:

'Not everyone who says to me, "Lord, Lord", will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only one who does the will of my Father in heaven. On that day many will say to me, "Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many deeds of power in your name?" Then I will declare to them, "I never knew you; go away from me, you evildoers."

‘Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!’

Now when Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Alleluia. **Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Generous and faithful God,  
grant that by the grace of this sacrament  
our lives may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit  
in love and joy and peace;  
we ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving Father,  
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:  
sustain us with your Spirit,  
that we may serve you here on earth  
until our joy is complete in heaven,  
and we share in the eternal banquet  
with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**