

Celebrant: *The Holy Gospel of our Saviour
Jesus Christ according to Mark.*

People: **Glory to you O Lord.**

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Celebrant: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

People: **Praise to you O Christ.**

Prayer after Communion

All:

**Lord God, whose Son is the true vine
and the source of life,
ever giving himself that the world may live:
may we so receive within ourselves
the power of his death and passion
that, in his saving cup,
we may share his glory
and be made perfect in his love;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
Amen.**

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Weekly Sheet

Sunday 18 July 2021

Seventh Sunday after Trinity



A warm welcome to our service

**10.30am Eucharist at St Luke's Church, Palhagueira
and online at**

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About St. Vincent's

St. Vincent's consists of three congregations which serve the whole of the Algarve from Luz in the west to Boliqueime in the centre to Palhagueira in the east. We are welcoming and affirming church. You don't have to be a member of the Church of England to worship with us – all are welcome!

About our Liturgy

The church has had many times in its history to respond, theologically, practically, and pastorally, to pandemics, from the Black Plague in the XIV century to the Yellow Fever outbreak in Memphis in 1878 to the Flu epidemic of 1918. The church has offered saints who have given their lives to help the poor, universities to study disease and train doctors, and prayer – lots and lots of prayer!

Our Liturgy for Extraordinary Time is just a part of our effort to maintain a safe and responsive worship community. We expect our liturgy to evolve and develop as the COVID pandemic continues. If you have thoughts, questions, or suggestions, we want to hear from you! Do share ideas with Fr. Reid or your wardens.

**Today's service commences on the sheet headed:
"A Liturgy for Extraordinary Time"**

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

First reading: 2 Samuel 7.1-14a

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.' Nathan said to the king, 'Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.'

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?' Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. When he commits iniquity, I will punish him with a rod such as mortals use, with blows inflicted by human beings.

Reader: *Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church*

All: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 89.20-37

- 1 'I have found David my servant; ♦
with my holy oil have I anointed him.
- 2 'My hand shall hold him fast ♦
and my arm shall strengthen him.
- 3 'No enemy shall deceive him, ♦
nor any wicked person afflict him.
- 4 'I will strike down his foes before his face ♦
and beat down those that hate him.
- 5 'My truth also and my steadfast love shall be with him, ♦
and in my name shall his head be exalted.
- 6 'I will set his dominion upon the sea ♦
and his right hand upon the rivers.

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- 7 'He shall call to me, "You are my Father, ♦
my God, and the rock of my salvation;"
- 8 'And I will make him my firstborn, ♦
the most high above the kings of the earth.
- 9 'The love I have pledged to him will I keep for ever, ♦
and my covenant will stand fast with him.
- 10 'His seed also will I make to endure for ever ♦
and his throne as the days of heaven.
- 11 'But if his children forsake my law ♦
and cease to walk in my judgements,
- 12 'If they break my statutes ♦
and do not keep my commandments,
- 13 'I will punish their offences with a rod ♦
and their sin with scourges.
- 14 'But I will not take from him my steadfast love ♦
nor suffer my truth to fail.
- 15 'My covenant will I not break ♦
nor alter what has gone out of my lips.
- 16 'Once for all have I sworn by my holiness ♦
that I will not prove false to David.
- 17 'His seed shall endure for ever ♦
and his throne as the sun before me;
- 18 'It shall stand fast for ever as the moon, ♦
the enduring witness in the heavens.'

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Second Reading: Ephesians 2.11-22

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

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All: **Thanks be to God**

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