

## **The Fourth Sunday after Easter.**

### **The Collect.**

O ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **Old Testament Lesson**

*The Old Testament Lesson is written in the 6<sup>th</sup> Chapter of Isaiah beginning at the 1<sup>st</sup> verse:*

<sup>1</sup> In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the LORD sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

<sup>2</sup> Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

<sup>3</sup> And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

<sup>4</sup> And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

<sup>5</sup> Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.

<sup>6</sup> Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

<sup>7</sup> And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

<sup>8</sup> Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me. Here endeth the Old Testament Lesson.

## **Psalm 29. Afferte Domino.**

***We will recite Psalm 29 responsively by the half verse:***

ASCRIBE unto the LORD, O ye mighty, \* ascribe unto the LORD worship and strength.

2 Ascribe unto the LORD the honour due unto his Name; \* worship the LORD with holy worship.

3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; \* it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder.

4 It is the LORD that ruleth the sea; the voice of the LORD is mighty in operation; \* the voice of the LORD is a glorious voice.

5 The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedar-trees; \* yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf; \* Lebanon also, and Sirion, like a young unicorn.

7 The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; \* yea, the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.

8 The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and strippeth bare the forests: \* in his temple doth every thing speak of his honour.

9 The LORD sitteth above the water-flood, \* and the LORD remaineth a King for ever.

10 The LORD shall give strength unto his people; \* the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost...As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen***

## **The Epistle. St. James i. 17.**

*The New Testament Lesson is written in the 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter of St. James beginning at the 17<sup>th</sup> verse:*

EVERY good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls. Here endeth the New Testament Lesson.

## **The Gospel. St. John xvi. 5.**

*The Holy Gospel is written in the 16<sup>th</sup> Chapter of John beginning at the 5<sup>th</sup> verse:*

JESUS said unto his disciples, Now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they believe not on me; of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you. The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**