The 4th Sunday after Trinity

July 13, 2025

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Lamentations 3:22-33

Reader: A reading from the 3^{rd} chapter of the Book of Lamentations, beginning at the 22^{nd} verse.

It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.

They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.

The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.

The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him.

It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord.

It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.

He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne it upon him.

He putteth his mouth in the dust; if so be there may be hope.

He giveth his cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full with reproach. For the Lord will not cast off for ever:

But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies.

For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.

Reader: Here endeth the Old Testament Lesson.

PSALM 68:1-10 Exsurgat Deus

We will read Psalm 68 responsively by the whole verse.

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; * let them also that hate him flee before him.
- 2 Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away; * and like as wax melteth at the fire, so let the ungodly perish at the presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad, and rejoice before God; * let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his Name; magnify him that rideth upon the heavens; * his name is the Lord, rejoice before him.
- 5 He is a Father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the widows;

- * even God in his holy habitation.
- 6 He is the God that maketh men to be of one mind in an house, and bringeth the prisoners out of captivity; * but letteth the runagates continue in scarceness.
- 7 O God, when thou wentest forth before the people; * when thou wentest through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the heavens dropped at the presence of God; * even as Sinai also was moved at the presence of God, who is the God of Israel.
- 9 Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine inheritance, * and refreshedst it when it was weary.
- 10 Thy congregation shall dwell therein; * for thou, O God, hast of thy goodness prepared for the poor.

THE EPISTLE: Romans 8:18-23

A reading of the 8th chapter of the book of Romans, beginning at the 18th verse.

I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope, because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

Reader: Here endeth the Epistle.

THE GOSPEL: St. Luke 10:25-37

The Holy Gospel is written in the 10th chapter of St. Luke, beginning at the 25th verse.

And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou? And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy

strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live.

But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour? And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee. Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves? And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

The Gospel of the Lord.