**24 October 2021**

**Last Sunday after Trinity**

**Collect**

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| Blessed Lord,who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them,to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest themthat, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fastthe hope of everlasting life,  |
| which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you,in the unity of the Holy Spirit,one God, now and for ever. Amen.  |

**First Reading**

Mark 10.46 - end

46 Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means “son of Timaeus”), was sitting by the roadside begging. 47 When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

48 Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

49 Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.”

So they called to the blind man, “Cheer up! On your feet! He’s calling you.” 50 Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

51 “What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked him.

The blind man said, “Rabbi, I want to see.”

52 “Go,” said Jesus, “your faith has healed you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

**Psalm 119.89-96**

89 O Lord, your word is everlasting; it ever stands firm

in the heavens.

90 Your faithfulness also remains from one generation

to another; you have established the earth and it abides.

91 So also your judgements stand firm this day, for all

things are your servants.

92 If your law had not been my delight, I should have

perished in my trouble.

93 I will never forget your commandments, for by them

you have given me life.

94 I am yours, O save me! For I have sought your

commandments.

95 The wicked have waited for me to destroy me, but I

will meditate on your testimonies.

96 I have seen an end of all perfection, but your

commandment knows no bounds.

**Second Reading**

Hebrews 7.23 - end

23 Now there have been many of those priests, since death prevented them from continuing in office;24 but because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood. 25 Therefore he is able to savecompletely[[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Hebrews+7&version=NIV#fen-NIV-30090c)] those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

26 Such a high priest truly meets our need—one who is holy, blameless, pure, set apart from sinners exalted above the heavens. 27 Unlike the other high priests, he does not need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for the sins of the people. He sacrificed for their sins once for all when he offered himself. 28 For the law appoints as high priests men in all their weakness; but the oath, which came after the law, appointed the Son, who has been made perfect forever.

**Post Communion**

Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.