

## **Second Sunday after Pentecost, June 11**

The Old Testament and Epistle will be read from English Standard Version Bible Anglicized. The Collect and Psalm will be read from The Episcopal Church Book of Common Prayer.

**The Collect:** O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **Track 1**

#### **Old Testament: Genesis 12:1-9**

12 Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. 2 And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonours you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. 5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, 6 Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. 7 Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. 8 From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord. 9 And Abram journeyed on, still going towards the Negeb.

**Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.**

## **Psalm: Psalm 33:1-12**

1 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous; \*  
it is good for the just to sing praises.

2 Praise the Lord with the harp; \*  
play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.

3 Sing for him a new song; \*  
sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.

4 For the word of the Lord is right, \*  
and all his works are sure.

5 He loves righteousness and justice; \*  
the loving-kindness of the Lord fills the whole earth.

6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, \*  
by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.

7 He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin \*  
and stores up the depths of the sea.

8 Let all the earth fear the Lord; \*  
let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.

9 For he spoke, and it came to pass; \*  
he commanded, and it stood fast.

10 The Lord brings the will of the nations to naught; \*  
he thwarts the designs of the peoples.

11 But the Lord's will stands fast for ever, \*  
and the designs of his heart from age to age.

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! \*  
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

## **Track 2**

### **Old Testament: Hosea 5:15-6:6**

I will return again to my place,  
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face,  
and in their distress earnestly seek me.

“Come, let us return to the Lord;  
for he has torn us, that he may heal us;  
he has struck us down, and he will bind us up.  
2 After two days he will revive us;  
on the third day he will raise us up,  
that we may live before him.  
3 Let us know; let us press on to know the Lord;  
his going out is sure as the dawn;  
he will come to us as the showers,  
as the spring rains that water the earth.”  
4 What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?  
What shall I do with you, O Judah?  
Your love is like a morning cloud,  
like the dew that goes early away.  
5 Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;  
I have slain them by the words of my mouth,  
and my judgement goes forth as the light.  
6 For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,  
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

**Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.**

**Psalm: Psalm 50:7-15**

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:  
“O Israel, I will bear witness against you; \*  
for I am God, your God.  
8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; \*  
your offerings are always before me.  
9 I will take no bull-calf from your stalls, \*  
nor he-goats out of your pens;  
10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine, \*  
the herds in their thousands upon the hills.  
11 I know every bird in the sky, \*

and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.

12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, \*  
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.

13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, \*  
or drink the blood of goats?

14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and make good your vows to the Most High.

15 Call upon me in the day of trouble; \*  
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.”

### **Epistle: Romans 4:13-25**

13 For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. 14 For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. 15 For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

16 That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, 17 as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. 18 In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” 19 He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. 20 No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, 21 fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. 22 That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness”. 23 But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, 24 but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, 25 who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

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## **Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26**

9 As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.

10 And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. 11 And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

12 But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

18 While he was saying these things to them, behold, a ruler came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live."

19 And Jesus rose and followed him, with his disciples. 20 And behold, a woman who had suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment, 21 for she said to herself, "If I only touch his garment, I will be made well." 22 Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. 23 And when Jesus came to the ruler's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, 24 he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. 25 But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. 26 And the report of this went through all that district.

## **The Gospel of the Lord**

### **Closing Prayer: On June 12 we celebrate the life of Enmegahbowh, Priest and Missionary. Read from *A Great Cloud of Witnesses*.**

John Johnson Enmegahbowh, an Odawa (Ottawa) Indian from Canada, born in 1807, was raised in the Midewiwin traditional healing way of his grandfather and the Christian religion of his mother. He came into the United States as a Methodist missionary in 1832. At one point Enmegahbowh attempted to abandon missionary work and return to Canada, but the boat was turned back by storms on Lake Superior, providing him a vision: "Here Mr. Jonah

came before me and said, ‘Ah, my friend Enmegahbowh, I know you. You are a fugitive. You have sinned and disobeyed God. Instead of going to the city of Nineveh, where God sent you to spread his word to the people, you started to go, and then turned aside. You are now on your way to the city of Tarshish . . . .’”

Enmegahbowh invited James Lloyd Breck to Gull Lake, where together they founded St. Columba’s Mission in 1852. The mission was later moved to White Earth, where Enmegahbowh served until his death in 1902. Unwelcome for a time among some Ojibway groups because he warned the community at Fort Ripley about the 1862 uprising, Enmegahbowh was consistent as a man of peace, inspiring the Waubesaquot (Chief White Cloud) mission, which obtained a lasting peace between the Ojibway and the Dakota peoples.

Enmegahbowh (“The One who Stands Before his People”) is the first recognized Native American priest in The Episcopal Church. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Kemper in 1859 and priest by Bishop Whipple in the cathedral at Faribault in 1867. Enmegahbowh helped train many others to serve as deacons throughout northern Minnesota. The powerful tradition of Ojibway hymn singing is a living testimony to their ministry. His understanding of Native tradition enabled him to enculturate Christianity in the language and traditions of the Ojibway. He tirelessly traveled throughout Minnesota and beyond, actively participating in the development of mission strategy and policy for The Episcopal Church.

Enmegahbowh died at the White Earth Indian Reservation in northern Minnesota on June 12, 1902.

**Let us pray:** Almighty God, you led your pilgrim people of old with fire and cloud: Grant that the ministers of your Church, following the example of blessed Enmegahbowh, may stand before your holy people, leading them with fiery zeal and gentle humility. This we ask through Jesus, the Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**