



## 2 Pentecost

Second Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 7

### COLLECT

**O** LORD, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### FIRST READING : Zechariah 12:8-10; 13:1

“**O**N THE DAY of the siege of Jerusalem,” says the LORD, “I will protect the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the feeblest among them on that day shall be like David, and the house of David shall be like God, like the angel of the LORD, going before them. And on that day I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem. And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn. On that day there shall be a fountain opened for the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and uncleanness.”

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### Refrain

Lord, my soul clings to you;  
your right hand holds me fast.

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### Psalm 63:1-8

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| 1 O God, you are my God;<br>eagerly I seek you; * my<br>soul thirsts for you, my flesh<br>faints for you, as in a barren<br>and dry land where there is<br>no water. | 5 My soul is content, as with<br>marrow and fatness, * and<br>my mouth praises you with<br>joyful lips, |
| 2 Therefore I have gazed<br>upon you in your holy place,<br>* that I might behold your<br>power and your glory.  | 6 When I remember you upon<br>my bed, * and meditate on<br>you in the night watches.                    |
| 3 For your loving-kindness is<br>better than life itself; * my<br>lips shall give you praise.  | 7 For you have been my<br>helper, * and under the<br>shadow of your wings I will<br>rejoice.            |
| 4 So will I bless you as long as<br>I live * and lift up my hands<br>in your Name.   | 8 My soul clings to you; *<br>your right hand holds me<br>fast.   |

### SECOND READING : Galatians 3:23-29

**N**OW BEFORE FAITH CAME, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

### GOSPEL : Luke 9:18-24

**N**OW IT HAPPENED THAT as Jesus was praying alone, the disciples were with him. And he asked them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" And they answered, "John the Baptist. But others say, Elijah, and others, that one of the prophets of old has risen." Then he said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" And Peter answered, "The Christ of God." And he strictly charged and commanded them to tell this to no one, saying, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised." And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it."