

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

¹Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. ²Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; ³but anyone who loves God is known by him. ⁴Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” ⁵Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. ⁷It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸“Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? ¹¹So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. ¹²But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

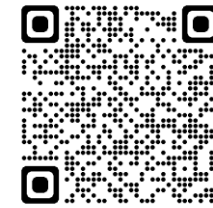
Gospel

Mark 1:21-28

²¹They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Remember in your prayers: Don Brice, Alexis Carr, Jenna Culpepper, Allan Dear, Irene Dodd, Merrill Guice, Gene Greneker, Louise Harden, Peter Ingeman, Michane James, CathyAnn Kautter, the Keehn family, Mike Lassen, Dennis Marks, Ed Mistick, Mindy Meeker, Gnann Moser, Ray Murphy, Brett Nelson, Della Richards, Rocky, Burt Tillman, Lucy Tomberlin, Willa Valencia, Sue Marie Waddell, the Warren family, Michelle Weidman, Chuck Whiting
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The Lessons (See Insert)

Gospel Hymn – Deck Thyself, my Soul with Gladness Hymn 339

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Announcements – please be seated

Offertory – Ther is a Balm in Gilead William Dawson Choir

Doxology Hymn 380 vs. 3

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The Lord’s Prayer BCP 364

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Let Us Break Bread Together on Our Knees Hymn 325

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Hymn – Thou Whose Almighty Word Hymn 371

Dismissal BCP 366

Postlude – Toccata on Azmon Allan Mahnke

The Lessons

First Reading

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

¹⁵The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. ¹⁶This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: “If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.” ¹⁷Then the Lord replied to me: “They are right in what they have said. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. ¹⁹Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. ²⁰But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.”

Psalm 111 (Unison) BCP 754

Confitebor tibi

¹ **Hallelujah!**

**I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.**

² **Great are the deeds of the Lord! ***

they are studied by all who delight in them.

³ **His work is full of majesty and splendor, ***

and his righteousness endures for ever.

⁴ **He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; ***

the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

⁵ **He gives food to those who fear him; ***

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶ **He has shown his people the power of his works ***

in giving them the lands of the nations.

⁷ **The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; ***

all his commandments are sure.

⁸ **They stand fast for ever and ever, ***

because they are done in truth and equity.

⁹ **He sent redemption to his people;**

he commanded his covenant for ever; *

holy and awesome is his Name.

¹⁰ **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; ***

those who act accordingly have a good understanding;

his praise endures for ever.