Readings, Hymns and Propers for 1st August 2021, Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Collect:

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion:

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reading: A Reading from Ephesians

I, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

'When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.' (When it says, 'He ascended,' what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love. *Ephesians 4. 1-6*

Gospel:

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were at the place where Jesus had given the bread, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.' John 6. 24-35

Lord Jesus Christ

You have come to us You are one with us, Mary's Son. Cleansing our souls from all their sin. Pouring Your love and goodness in. Jesus our love for you we sing, Living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ Now and every day Teach us how to pray, Son of God. You have commanded us to do This in remembrance Lord of you Into our lives your power breaks through, Living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ You have come to us Born as one with us, Mary's Son. Led out to die on Calvary, Risen from death to set us free, Living Lord Jesus help us see You are Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ I would come to you Live my life for you, Son of God. All your commands I know are true, Your many gifts will make me new, Into my life your power breaks through, Living Lord.

Jesus, stand among us

At the meeting of our lives; Be our sweet agreement At the meeting of our eyes. O Jesus, we love You, so we gather here; Join our hearts in unity and take away our fear. So to You we're gathering Out of each and every land; Christ the love between us At the joining of our hands. O Jesus, we love You, so we gather here; Join our hearts in unity and take away our fear.

Guide me O Thou Great Redeemer

Pilgrim through this barren land I am weak but Thou art mighty Hold me with thy powerful hand Bread of heaven Feed me now and evermore

Open now the crystal fountain Whence the healing streams do flow Let the fiery cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey though Strong Deliverer Be Thou still my strength and shield

When I tread the verge of Jordan Bid my fears subside Death of death And hell's destruction Land me safe on Canaan's side Songs of praises I will ever give to thee