

The Gifts of the Spirit

Scripture and Prayers for the Season after Pentecost



for the week of June 14, 2020

Turn the page for a hymn that I suspect we have never sung. I like it because it brings an affirmation of faith, hope, and trust in the midst of the storms of life.

Do you know YouTube? Here is the hymn - the words have been secularized, but the total effect is still inspiring:

<https://youtu.be/VLPP3XmYxXg>

My life flows on in endless song;
Above earth's lamentation,
I hear the sweet though far off hymn
That hails a new creation.

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
How can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife
I hear the music ringing;
It finds an echo in my soul —
How can I keep from singing?

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
How can I keep from singing?

What though my joys and comforts die?
The Lord my Savior liveth;
What though the darkness gather round,
Songs in the night He giveth:

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
How can I keep from singing?

I lift mine eyes; the cloud grows thin;
I see the blue above it;
And day by day this pathway smooths
Since first I learned to love it:

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
How can I keep from singing?

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
A fountain ever springing;
All things are mine since I am His—
How can I keep from singing?

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
How can I keep from singing?

Robert Lowry, 1860

A Week of Scripture Reading

Sunday - **2nd Sunday after Pentecost** **June 14th**

Psalm for the Day: Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
An Epistle Reading: Romans 5:1-8
The Gospel Reading: Matthew 9:35 - 10:8

Monday - **June 15**

Psalm for the Day: Psalms 5 and 145
The Gospel Reading: Luke 20:9-19

Tuesday - **June 16**

Psalm for the Day: Psalms 42 and 146
The Gospel Reading: Luke 20:19-26

Wednesday - **June 17**

Psalm for the Day: Psalm 89:1-18
The Gospel Reading: Luke 20:27-40

Thursday - **June 18**

Psalm for the Day: Psalm 97
The Gospel Reading: Luke 20:41 - 21:4

Friday - **June 19**

Psalm for the Day: Psalms 51 and 148
A Gospel Reading: Luke 21:5-19

Saturday - **June 20**

Psalm for the Day: Psalm 104
The Gospel Reading: Luke 21:20-28

Sunday - **3rd Sunday after Pentecost** **June 21st**

Psalm for the Day: Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17
An Epistle Reading: Romans 6:1-11
The Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:24-39



*If the mail is slow, a start
on the new week is provided.*

Each is Unique



Every person born into the world represents something new, something that never existed before, something original and unique.

It is the duty of every person to know there has never been anyone like him in the world, for if there had been someone

like him, there would have been no need for him to be in the world.

Every single person is a new thing in the world and is called upon to fulfill their particularity in the world.
- Martin Buber

A Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek -
To be consoled, as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

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