



**The Church of  
Saint-Simon-the-Apostle  
17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
September 11, 2016**

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**Holy Eucharist at 8:30 am**

Celebrant & Homilist The Reverend Geoffrey Sangwine  
*Reader: Sheila Smith*

*The flowers are given to the honour glory of almighty God and  
in loving memory of Alan Jarvis Hamilton Townsend*

*Welcome to Saint Simon's. If you are unfamiliar with the  
liturgy please don't hesitate to ask – other parishioners will  
be happy to help you.*

*Please help preserve a prayerful silence before the service.*

***The service begins on page 67  
of the Book of Common Prayer.***

**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* Keep, we beseech thee O Lord, thy Church with  
thy perpetual mercy; and, because of the frailty  
of our nature without thee cannot but fall, keep  
us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and  
lead us to all things profitable for our salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Proclamation of the Word**

**Old Testament Lesson:** *Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28*

*Reader* The First lesson is written in the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter of  
the book of Jeremiah, beginning at the 11<sup>th</sup>  
verse.

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert towards my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse— a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgement against them. ‘For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good.’ I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger. For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

*Reader*            The word of the Lord.

*All*                 **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 14 – BCP p. 343**

**The Epistle:** *1Timothy 1:12-17*

*Reader*            The epistle is written in the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter of the 1<sup>st</sup> letter to Timothy, beginning at the 12<sup>th</sup> verse.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save

sinner—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever.

*Reader*           The word of the Lord.

*All*               **Thanks be to God.**

**The Holy Gospel: Luke 15:1-10**

*Gospeller*       The Lord be with you.

*All*               **And with thy spirit.**

*Gospeller*       The Holy Gospel is written in the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter of the Gospel according to Luke, beginning at the 1<sup>st</sup> verse.

*All*               **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, ‘This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.’ So he told them this parable: ‘Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, “Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.” Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance. ‘Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, “Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.” Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.’

*Gospeller*       The Gospel of Christ.

*All*               **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

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