

Season after Pentecost, Year C, Proper 10

(Sunday between July 10 and July 16 inclusive)

Color: Green

Scriptures: [Scripture linked to NRSV at [Oremus Bible Browser](#)]

[Amos 7:7-17](#) (*A plumb line prophesies God's judgment*)

[Psalm 82](#) (*"Rise up, O God, judge the earth; for all the nations belong to you"*)

[Colossians 1:1-14](#) (*Paul gives thanks and prayers for the faithful*)

[Luke 10:25-37](#) (*Love your neighbor, love God. The story of the good Samaritan*)

Alternate First Reading and Psalm

[Deuteronomy 30:9-14](#) (*God promises fruitfulness to the faithful*)

[Psalm 25:1-10](#) (*"Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths"*)

Themes: Judgment, Faithfulness, Discipleship, Love of God and Neighbor

HYMN SUGGESTIONS

Hymn Suggestions link to [Hymnary.org](#), a searchable resource with a wealth of information. The tunes listed here are the ones most commonly associated with the texts, and the biblical/thematic references suggest the hymn's association with the scriptures or themes of this service.

All Who Love and Serve Your City (CHARLESTOWN).....	Amos, Luke
Christ Be My Leader (SLANE).....	Psalm 25
For All the Saints Who've Shown Your Love (O WALY WALY).....	Colossians
God of Grace and God of Glory (CWM RHONDDA).....	Psalm 82, Colossians
I'll Praise My Maker (OLD 113 TH).....	Psalm 82
I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me (I'M GONNA LIVE).....	Colossians
Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands (AU CLAIR DE LA LUNE).....	Luke
Let Justice Flow Like Streams (ST. THOMAS).....	Amos
Rejoice In God's Saints (HANOVER).....	Colossians
Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord (CAMACHA).....	Psalm 25
What Does the Lord Require (SHARPThorNE).....	Amos
When the Poor Ones (EL CAMINO).....	Luke

ANTHEMS

E = Easy, M = Moderate, MD = Moderately Difficult

Be Thou My Vision – EColossians, Luke
SLANE/Robert Hunter, arr.
© 1980, Hinshaw Music, HMC 418
SAB, Piano

God Be In My Head – M Colossians, Benediction
John Rutter
© 1970/2014, Oxford University, 9780193405516
SATB, a cappella

I Lift My Soul – E Psalm 25
BRED DINA VIDA VINGAR/Michael Burkhardt, arr.
© 1999, MorningStar Music, 50-3062
2-Part Mixed, Piano, opt. Cello, Oboe, Clarinet

My Great Reward – E Psalm 25
K. Lee Scott
© 1985, Concordia Publications, 98-2715
2-Part Mixed, Keyboard

A Prayer of Compassion – MD Amos, Psalm 82
Gwyneth Walker
© 2018, E.C. Schirmer, 8730
SATB divisi, a cappella

Show My Thy Ways – ME Psalm 25
Walter Pelz
© 1970, Augsburg Fortress, 978-0-8006-4542-7
SATB, Guitar, Oboe

Sing, My Soul, His Wondrous Love – M Colossians
Ned Rorem
© 1962, C.F. Peters, 6386
SATB, a cappella

Song of Hope – E Colossians, Benediction
Traditional Argentinian/Robert Hobby, arr.
© 2000, MorningStar Music, 50-8112A
Unison/2-Part Mixed, Piano, opt. Percussion

Teach Me, O Lord – E Psalm 25
Thomas Attwood
© 1987, GIA Publications, G-3045
SATB, opt. Keyboard

Thy Kingdom Come – M Colossians
Karen Marrolli, quoting *SLANE*
© 2021, MorningStar Music, 50-8009
SATB, Piano, Violin

When We Are Living: Pues si Vivimos – E Luke
PUES SI VIVIMOS /Hal H. Hopson, arr.
© 1999, Augsburg Fortress, 978-0-8006-5830-4
SATB, Keyboard

-- Youth and Children --

Christ Be My Song – E Psalm 25
Hal H. Hopson
© 1991, GIA Publications, G-3422
2-Part (any), Keyboard

The Good Samaritan – E Luke
Lynn Shaw Bailey/Becki Slagle Mayo
© 2009, Choristers Guild, CGA1168
Unison/2-Part, Piano, opt. Handbells

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL (Prayers, Poems, Quotes & Liturgies)

I've always wanted to live in a neighborhood with you!
I have always wanted to have a neighbor just like you!
So, let's make the most of this beautiful day.
Since we're together we might as well say:
Would you be mine? Could you be mine?
Won't you be my neighbor?
Won't you please? Won't you please?
Please won't you be my neighbor?

—FRED ROGERS, "Won't You Be My Neighbor?", 1967

CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 25)

Leader: Make us to know your ways, lead us in your truth.
People: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love.
Leader: Good and upright is the Lord; Teach us your way.
People: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness.
All: Let us worship God.

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CALL TO WORSHIP

(based upon Colossians 1:11-12 and “*God of Grace and God of Glory*”)

Leader: May the Lord make you strong with all the strength that comes from God’s glorious power.
People: God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your power.
Leader: May you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to God.
People: Crown your people’s ancient story, gathered in this sacred hour.
Leader: For it is God who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.
People: Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, praising God, whom we adore.

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GATHERING PRAYER

Compassionate God, in grace you gather us in from wherever our paths may have led us in coming. To those of us who come wounded and needy, you offer care and healing. To those who have blindly passed by others in need, you offer vision and courage. To those who arrive as lonely or outcast, you offer love and acceptance as a neighbor. Open our minds and hearts for your healing, vision, courage, love and acceptance. We pray this in the Spirit of Jesus, made strong by God’s power. Amen.

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From our neighbors is life and death. If we gain our brother, we gain God, but if we cause our brother to stumble, we sin against Christ.

—ABBA ANTHONY OF EGYPT (251-256)

CALL TO CONFESSION

(based upon Psalm 82)

Leader: We wait for the voice of the Lord in the silence:

People: How long will you look past our need, rewarding the wicked?

Leader: We wait for the act of God in the delayed story of justice.

People: How long until you rescue the weak and deliver the needy?

Leader: Yes, we wait for and long for God, the judge of the earth.

People: But it is the Lord who also waits. Who also asks 'how long?'

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(based upon Luke 10:25-37 and Colossians 1:1-14)

Patient and loving God, we confess that for many, the scales of justice are tipped in their favor, while those who suffer injustice look on, asking "how long?". Forgive us for looking the other way.

We confess that at times the way of service means tending to our neighbor, but the inconvenience prevents our becoming involved. Forgive us for passing by those in need.

Strengthen us for living lives that are pleasing to you as we serve others, growing in faith and knowledge bearing fruit in every good work that glorifies Christ Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

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*In prayer, you encounter God in the soft breeze, in the distress and joy
of your neighbor and in the loneliness of your own heart.*

— HENRI NOUWEN, *With Open Hands*, 1972

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

(from Psalm 25)

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

People: Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

BENEDICTION

(based upon Colossians 1:1-25)

Be hopeful as you leave this place because of that which is laid up for you in heaven.
Bear fruit, growing in the knowledge of God, and God will give you strength. Amen.

* Except where noted, this week's prayers and liturgies are by Warren Howell.