Luke, Evangelist and Martyr
Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

October 11th 2026

Sentence

Give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's. Matthew 22.21

The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; ask therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.
Luke 10:2

Collect

Almighty God,
who inspired your servant Luke the physician
to set forth in his gospel
the love and healing power of your Son:
graciously continue in your Church
this love and power to heal,
to the praise and glory of your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever. **Amen**.

1st Reading

Jeremiah 8.22-9.3

8 22 Is there no balm in Gilead?
Is there no physician there?
Why then has the health of my poor people
not been restored? **9**
1 O that my head were a spring of water,
and my eyes a fountain of tears,

so that I might weep day and night
for the slain of my poor people!
2 O that I had in the desert
a traveller's lodging-place,
that I might leave my people
and go away from them!
For they are all adulterers,
a band of traitors.
3 They bend their tongues like bows;
they have grown strong in the land for falsehood, and not for truth;
for they proceed from evil to evil,
and they do not know me, says the Lord .

Psalm

Psalm 145.10-18

10 All creation praises you, O Lord:
and your faithful servants bless your name.
11 They speak of the glory of your kingdom:
and tell of your great might,
12 That the whole earth may know your mighty acts:
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.
13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom:
and your dominion endures through all generations.
14 The Lord upholds all those who stumble:
and raises up those that are bowed down.
15 The eyes of all look to you in hope:
and you give them their food in due season;
16 You open wide your hand:
and fill all things living with your bounteous gift.
17 The Lord is just in all his ways:
and faithful in all his dealings.
18 The Lord is near to all who call upon him:

to all who call upon him in truth.

2nd Reading

2 Timothy 4.9-17a

9 Do your best to come to me soon, 10 for Demas, in love with this
present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica;
Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. 11 Only Luke is with
me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my
ministry. 12 I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. 13 When you come,
bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and
above all the parchments. 14 Alexander the coppersmith did me
great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. 15 You also
must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message. 16 At my
first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May
it not be counted against them! 17 But the Lord stood by me and
gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully
proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued
from the lion's mouth.

Gospel Reading

Luke 10.1-9

1 After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on
ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself
intended to go. 2 He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the
labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out
labourers into his harvest. 3 Go on your way. See, I am sending you
out like lambs into the midst of wolves. 4 Carry no purse, no bag, no
sandals; and greet no one on the road. 5 Whatever house you enter,
first say, "Peace to this house!" 6 And if anyone is there who shares
in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will
return to you. 7 Remain in the same house, eating and drinking
whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not
move about from house to house. 8 Whenever you enter a town and
its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9 cure the sick

who are there, and say to them, “The kingdom of God has come near to you.”