

Holy Trinity A

June 11, 2017

Other Readings

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Psalm 8

Readings for study

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Before: a commendation to the church in Corinth to clean up their act for when Paul comes

- Farewell
 - Rejoice is the better translation for this word, but given the context in the passage, it doesn't make much sense
- Order
 - To restore, or to strive for perfection.
 - To get back to the roots
 - To not depart from the truth
 - This is the intention of the emerging church movement
 - Led by Brian McLaren, Phyllis Tickle and others
 - "The ancient future church"
 - Rediscovering what the first church focused on to put into practice today
 - Liturgy for us sets order and priority
 - Communion is central moment with God
 - How do we make sure to focus on the important things and let go of the unimportant (i.e. whether the bread and wine tastes good)
- Appeal
 - Encourage one another
- Agree
 - Same word as Philippians text (be of the same mind)
- Holy Kiss
 - Greeting, not on the lips
 - Some cultures still greet this way
 - Some of us share the peace with those closest to us this way

After: end

Matthew 28:16-20

Before: Jesus says go to Galilee, the false testimony of the guards

- To the mountain
 - The typical place to go and have a conversation with God
- Authority
 - Jesus claiming his divinity here
 - God also claiming authority over death
- Doubt
 - Different word than is used for Thomas' doubt (distazo vs apistos in greek)
 - Some disciples finding it hard to make sense of all that is happening
 - Some are not willing to give themselves fully to God, possibly
- Make disciples by
 - Baptizing
 - Teaching them to obey
 - Give good advice and encourage them in truth
- "Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age"

After: end