

Sherwood Episcopal Church

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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
10 am

August 29, 2021
Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Watch live on our Facebook page and our website at 10 am, and on our YouTube channel after the service.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Our Father in heaven - J. S Bach
Dr. George Sack, Guest Organist

Welcome and Announcements The Reverend Nancy H. Hennessey, Rector

Please stand as you are able.

THE OPENING SENTENCES

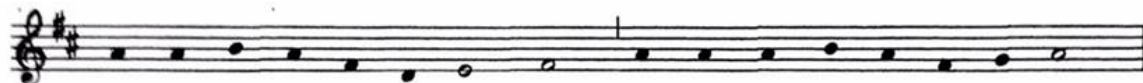
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Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



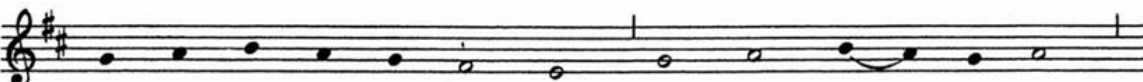
1. Glo- ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



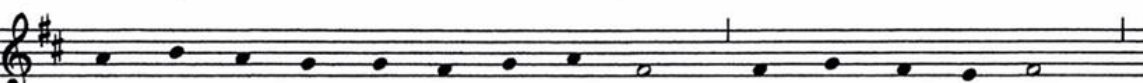
2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



4. you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. You a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget

what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 45:1-2, 7-10

Read responsively by whole verse

1 My heart is stirring with a noble song;
let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; *
my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.

2 You are the fairest of men; *
grace flows from your lips,
because God has blessed you for ever.

7 Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, *
a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom;
you love righteousness and hate iniquity.

8 Therefore God, your God, has anointed you *
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

9 All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, *
and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.

10 Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court; *
on your right hand is the queen,
adorned with the gold of Ophir.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL AFFIRMATION



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE NICENE CREED

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Said by all, standing as you are able.

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this town of Cockeysville, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We especially pray for those impacted by COVID-19 as well those on our parish prayer list: Sandy & Jack, Virginia, Timothy, Margaret S. & family, Jackie & Rick, Louis, David D., Caitlyn, Alice, Shannon T., Marisa, Debbie R., Tom T., Bill & his family, Casey, Ron L., Ron S., Nicholas, and Dante. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the blessings of this life, especially for those celebrating birthdays as well as anniversaries, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed. We remember and give thanks for the life of Jacqui, cousin of Carrie Fowler. We also remember and pray for the victims of the Kabul airport terrorist attack and their families and friends. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence.

Concluding Collect:

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The people will greet one another with a sign of God's peace. Don't forget to show the sign of peace to our friends who are worshipping with us virtually.

Please be seated.

We continue to do God's work and your contributions of any size make a huge difference. Give online (sherwoodcockeyville.org/give) or if you would prefer, mail your contribution to 5 Sherwood Road, Cockeysville, 21030. Thank you!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please remain seated in your pew and Mother Nancy will come to you during the Eucharist. If you would prefer a blessing in lieu of Communion, please cross your arms on your chest.

OFFERTORY - 707

Take my life, and let it be

1 Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

2 Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.
Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B - BCP pg. 361

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

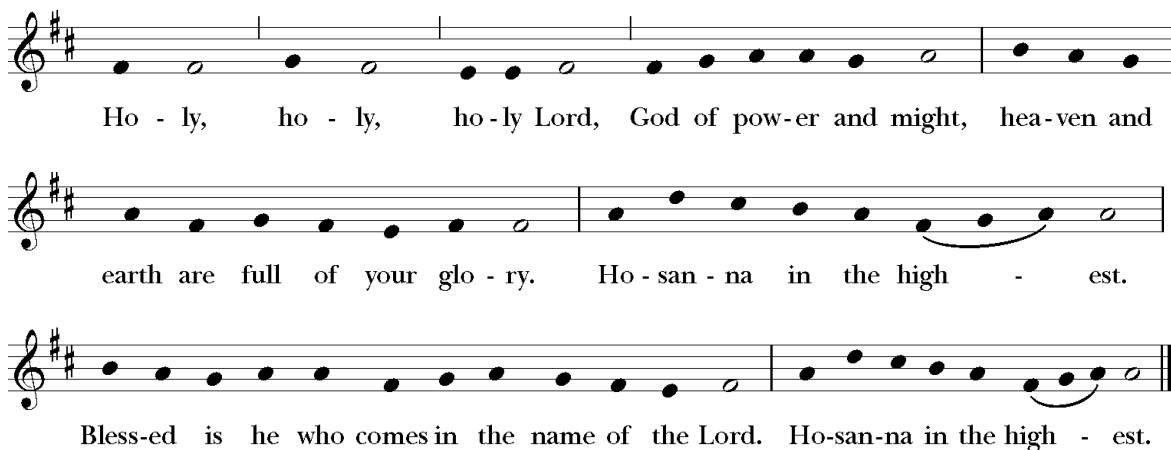
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant offers thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available in Christ, and in response the people sing:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS - S124



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prayers over the bread and wine.

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic prayer and at the conclusion says

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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The Celebrant says

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

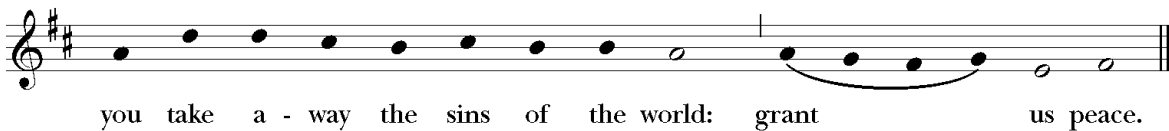
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

AGNUS DEI - S161

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,



For those who are not able to be present for communion, please pray the Spiritual Communion Prayer while Mother Nancy distributes communion to those present.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Episcopal Prayer Book for the Armed Forces (1988)

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, Lord Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. And since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant pronounces a blessing over the people, and the people respond, **Amen.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN - 344

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing

1 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, thy love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace:
O refresh us, O refresh us
traveling through this wilderness.

2 Thanks we give and adoration
for thy Gospel's joyful sound:
may the fruits of thy salvation
in our hearts and lives abound:
ever faithful, ever faithful
to thy truth may we be found;

3 so that when thy love shall call us,
Savior, from the world away,
fear of death shall not appall us,
glad thy summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever
reign with thee in endless day.

THE DISMISSAL

As we go forth into the world, refreshed and renewed, we reaffirm our
commitment to our mission as a congregation:

**God commands us to enthusiastically cast open our doors to embrace all,
impacting lives through bold service, no exceptions.**

Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

Magnificat Fugue #40 - Johann Pachelbel

Worship Participants

Officiant: The Reverend Nancy H. Hennessey

Preacher: Seminarian Karen Mercer

Guest Organist: Dr. George Sack

Cantor: Cassidy Dixon

Lector: Loretta Cunninghame

Acolyte: Anne Wismer

Usher: Kevin Hennessey

Broadcast Engineer: Stephanie Everts

Hospitality: Greg Davis

Lay Participants for Sunday, September 5

Lector: Greg Syzmaszek

Acolyte: Greg Syzmaszek

Usher: Sandy Thompson

Broadcast Engineer: Stephanie Everts

Hospitality: VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Please keep those with ongoing needs in your prayers: Sally, Debbie, Shannon, Norma, Joyce, Christine, Kendall, Marge, Sarah, Gail, Steve W., Michelle, Joe G., Jeanetta, Christina, Khalil, and Danny.

Thank you for joining us for worship. Please be sure to check out our Facebook page for updates and also remember to subscribe to our YouTube channel. If you are interested in receiving our e-newsletter, please contact Carey Mednick at sherwoodparish@gmail.com.

We Welcome Our Guest Organist:

Let us give a warm welcome to Dr. George Sack, our guest organist. Dr. Sack is no stranger to Sherwood, and we are fortunate to have him with us to share his gifts of music. Thank you and welcome to Sherwood, Dr. Sack!

Hospitality Volunteers Needed:

All of the dates for September with the exception of the 12th are open. Please email [Karyn Galetto](mailto:karyn.galetto@verizon.net) galettobk@verizon.net or 410-557-9013 to sign up. Simplicity is the order of the day. Thank you!

Ongoing Prayer Needs:

Daily prayer is an important component of our Christian faith. That is why we encourage everyone to take the names on both prayer lists and incorporate them into your daily prayer time. Praying for someone does not require any special words—just saying the names aloud or silently is enough—God will do the rest.

Prayer List Update and How YOU Can Help:

Over the past month, we have been reviewing our prayer list and contacting those who request prayers for themselves, family, or friends. Thanks to the pastoral care team (Susan Boucher, Stephanie Everts, Sheila Fitzgerald, and Anne Wismer) we now have an up-to-date list of people in need of prayer. Going forward we will have two prayer lists, one for current Prayer Needs and one for Ongoing Prayer Needs. When anyone is put on the prayer list, they remain on the current Prayer Needs list for four weeks. Their name will be read aloud during the Prayers of the People on Sunday morning. During those four weeks the pastoral care team will reach out to those who submitted the names to check in and touch base. It is important as a community of faith we remain connected with those in need of prayer.

Sometimes people need prayer for a short period of time, but there are other times when there is a need for continual prayers and those names will then be added to our Ongoing Prayer Needs list. This list will be printed in the Sunday bulletin but will not be read aloud during the Prayers of the People.

This is where YOU come in. I encourage all of us to pray daily for those on both prayer lists. Read each name—silently or aloud—as you pray. The power of prayer expands well beyond the walls of our church. It reaches into every nook and cranny of our lives and gives us and others strength and comfort in ways we can't explain. All of us need “extra prayers” from time to time. Try doing this for at least one month and see what happens, I think you will be surprised! Thank you--*Mother Nancy*

Welcome Sunday is Coming!

Plan to join us (virtually or in-person) for worship on Welcome Sunday, September 12 @ 10 am. This is our “official” kick off for the fall—as we return to school, prepare for cooler weather, and hope the Ravens will have a winning season. While Welcome Sunday this year will look a bit different because of COVID safety measures, it will still be a day we recognize our new members who have joined Sherwood this last year, we kick off our Christian Formation offerings, and celebrate the fact that we continue to survive COVID. Following the service, we will gather outside for fellowship. Even if you aren’t comfortable joining us inside for worship, please come for fellowship afterwards! Bring a friend and see you on the 12th .

Handicap Parking:

Those who utilize the handicap parking spaces, please do not park directly next to the handicap ramp. We all need a bit of space to gather for our outside coffee hour and to have easy access to the ramp. Thank you!

Shelter in Dire Need of Towels and Washcloths:

With the recent seizure of 92 dogs from a local “rescue” (some later found to be sick with distemper) Baltimore County Animal Services has been through the wringer lately. They’re asking for donations of old towels and washcloths, and we’re hoping the good people of Sherwood will deliver. Please leave your donations in the blue bin on the parish office church. Anne Wismer, who volunteers at the shelter, will deliver them. They will be grateful for anything you can spare. Thank you!

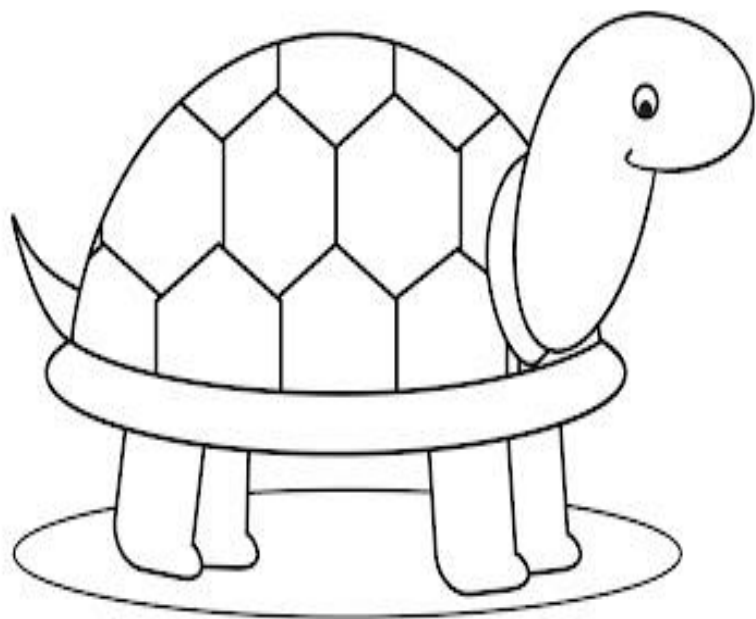
Magazines Wanted:

The Baltimore International Seafarers’ Center is asking for donations of current magazines to help these individuals who spend months at sea pass the long hours, practice their English, and feel less isolated. In particular, if you have any recent issues of *Time*, *People*, *Sports Illustrated*, *Reader’s Digest*, *National Geographic*, *Consumer Reports*, or car magazines, they are especially appreciated. Please leave your magazines in the blue bin on the parish office porch by 9/12 and Suzie Merryman will deliver them. Thank you!

OLD TESTAMENT WORD SCRAMBLE

1. XOEUDS: _____
2. EINEGSS: _____
3. TICLEVUIS: _____
4. EAEHNIMH: _____
5. HTSREE: _____
6. CTSESEECLIAS: _____
7. ASIIASH: _____
8. SUOHJA: _____
9. ICAMH: _____
10. IODBAAH: _____
11. EPIZNNHAA: _____
12. GAGAHI: _____
13. ZEAR: _____
14. BUMRNES: _____
15. OUMENOETDRY: _____
16. HUTR: _____

BE QUICK TO LISTEN



Be **SLOW** to speak or
get angry. James 1:19

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