



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM



The Episcopal

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

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Our services follow *The Book of Common Prayer*, the red book in your pew rack. If you'd like to use the book to follow the service, we begin on page 355. Unless otherwise marked, our hymns are from the *Hymnal 1982*, the blue books in the pew rack. A hymn noted "S-xxx" is part of the service music, found at the front of the hymnal, appearing before the regular congregational hymns begin. For example, S-280 (*The Gloria*) is found before hymn 1.

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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The Word of God

Prelude *(only at 10:30)*

Prelude

Entrance Hymn *(only at 10:30)*

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Hymnal 494

All standing

BCP 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

All 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.

The Gloria *(Spoken at 8:00, sung at 10:30)*

Hymnal S-280

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Collect for the Season of Creation

Lord of all the universe, through your incarnation in Christ you identified with the created order and proclaimed your love for the world; assist us through your Son to respect and cherish the earth and all its creatures, through Jesus Christ who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. **Amen.**

Anglican Church of Canada

The Lessons

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15—9:1

Lector A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him.

Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, “Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.” Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, “Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.” Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may

last for a long time. For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16

BCP 719

Lector We will read the Psalm responsively by half verse.

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 He shall say to the LORD,
“You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in whom I put my trust.”

3 He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter *
and from the deadly pestilence.

4 He shall cover you with his pinions,
and you shall find refuge under his wings; *
his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.

5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, *
nor of the arrow that flies by day;

6 Of the plague that stalks in the darkness, *
nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day.

14 Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.

The Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 6:6-9

Lector A reading from the First letter to Timothy.

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and

destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand

Sequence Hymn (*only at 10:30*)

Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might (verses 1&2)

Hymnal 552

The Gospel Lesson: Luke 16:19-31

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but

now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’” Amen.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn (*only at 10:30*)

Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might (verses 3&4)

Hymnal 552

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Rebecca Bridges

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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, Form III

BCP 387

*Please assume a posture of prayer, whether standing, sitting, or kneeling as able.
Please add those intercessions and thanksgivings on your heart, silently or
aloud, at the appropriate points in the prayers.*

Lector

Holy God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation;
**That we may use its resources rightly in the service of others,
and to your honor and glory.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others:
**Kathleen; Brenda B.; Jackie C.; David H.; Jenon; and all your children
who suffer the effects of war, oppression, or natural disasters.**

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, “Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you”: Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

BCP 359

Continuing in a posture of prayer, we will hold a moment of silence for individual, silent confessions before the priest leads us into the words of corporate confession.

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

**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.**

Celebrant 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

BCP 360

Standing as you are able.

Celebrant May the peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us show one another a sign of God’s peace.

The Holy Communion

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us,
a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2a*

Offertory Anthem *(sung by the choir)*
Morning Has Broken

Hymnal 8

The Celebrant invites the people's offerings.

Doxology *(spoken at 8:00; sung 10:30)*
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

1 Chronicles 29:14

Celebrant For all things come from you, O Lord;
People and of your own have we given you.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer

From Eucharistic Prayers, Samuel Wells and Abigail Kocher.
Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2016

Sursum Corda (Lift Up Your Hearts)
(Spoken at 8:00, sung at 10:30)

Hymnal S-120

Celebrant The Lord be with you,
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant Hearts and minds and souls and voices
we lift in thanks and praise to you,
Lord God of heaven and earth.
You made the earth as a playground for us to enjoy your glory,
and yet we consistently turn your abundance into our scarcity,
your elegance into our meanness,
and your simplicity into our corruption.

In Noah you drew all the goodness of your creation into one ark,
and in Moses you placed the law of love
into the ark of your covenant.
In Christ you turned the wood of manger and cross
into the ark of your salvation.
And so we rejoice to thank you, singing, with all the company of heaven,
the hymn of your unending praise.

Sanctus (*Spoken at 8:00, sung at 10:30*)

Hymnal S-125

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant God our rock, to trust in you is to build a house on solid ground
that will never shift through wind and rain.
You make and renew your church through your word of life.
Send your Holy Spirit upon your people,
that all who eat and drink in your name
may behold you face to face and taste and see that you are good.
By that same Spirit come down upon these gifts of bread and wine,
that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks,
broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying,
‘Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.’
After supper he took the cup.
Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
‘Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.’

Great is the mystery of faith.
**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant Renewing God, after half a year of flood
you brought the ark of hope to solid ground
and gave your creation new birth.

Heal your stricken world today,
that the groaning of the soil, the skies, and the seas
may foretell the greater glory you have prepared
for your time of eternal covenant grace.

As you justify your children by faith,
uphold all who face injustice and neglect and cruelty.

Hasten that day when your new heaven and new earth
will engulf the distress and disappointment
and destruction of your people,
and you will be all in all, everlasting God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

AMEN. (*Spoken at 8:00, sung at 10:30*)

Hymnal S-146

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

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread and a period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ, our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Fraction Hymn (*Spoken at 8:00, sung at 10:30*)

Hymnal S-161

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: Grant us peace.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

We encourage you to come forward to receive Holy Communion as you feel comfortable. Remain seated, until the usher directs you forward to the communion rail. After receiving communion, return to your seat by the side aisle. so that traffic flows one way. If you would prefer communion be brought to you at your seat, please let an usher know and, as always, we will be happy to do so. If you prefer not to receive communion, please cross your arms over your chest as a sign that you prefer a blessing.

Communion Hymn *(only at 10:30)*
My God, Thy Table Now Is Spread

Hymnal 321

Celebrant Let us pray.

From Enriching Our Worship

All Loving God, we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth a people,
forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Announcements | Blessings of Birthdays and Anniversaries

The Blessing

Post-Communion Hymn *(only at 10:30)*
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Hymnal 423

The Dismissal

From Church of England, Diocese of Guildford

Celebrant Tend the earth, care for God's good creation, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude *(only at 10:30)*

Flowers today are given to the Glory of God
by David & Bev Baumgardner.

Parish Announcements, Prayers, & Thanksgivings

BLESSING OF THE PETS

On Sunday, October 5, Rev. Becky will offer blessings for pets on a drop-in basis from 9:15-10:15 and from 12-1 on the front porch of the Parish Hall. She also will bless pets on Monday, October 6, from 12-2, also on the front porch of the Parish Hall. Please feel free to bring your pet by to say hello and receive a special blessing (and some treats) from Rev. Becky. (If your pet is not up to coming to the church, please feel free to stop by with a photo of your pet, and we can extend God's blessings on your pet from afar.)

Bow Tying

We will meet downstairs in the Parish Hall at 1:30p.m. on Tuesday this week. Many kind thanks to everyone for tying pinecones!

Diocesan Women's Day Conference

Saturday, Oct. 25, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Church of the Ascension, Knoxville

More information is available at dioet.org. The Episcopal Church Women of East Tennessee is hosting a women's day conference for all women of the diocese. The day will feature a screening of *The Philadelphia Eleven*, Eucharist celebrated by Bishop Brian Cole, lunch, and the annual Episcopal Church Women business meeting. This day conference is open to all women of the diocese, including members of Episcopal Church Women and Daughters of the King. Come hear how we can support the education of young women, sustain the ministry of women across the diocese, and build relationships that empower women across the globe.

Register at dioet.org; the fee to attend is \$20 and includes lunch.

Our Parish Prayer List

Marshall S; Kathleen; Brenda B.;
Jackie C.; David H.; Jenon

Continuing Prayers for:

Jim; Daphne; Rosemary O.; the Hentchel family;
Pat; Claire; Sandy; Rob & Sherry; Cheri; Jane;
Shannon; Jim; Mel; Wayne; Diana N.; Jack; Ashley;
Raynella; Ed & Jean; Kim E.; Joe; Beverly; Grace;
Virginia; Betty Anne; Janey; Johnny; and Karen H.

For our Vestry leaders:

Class of 2025: Lisa A., Donna B., Diane V.K.

Class of 2026: Drew H., Dawson H., Jenny L.

Class of 2027: Bev B., Karen B., Mark H.

Officers: Jenny L., Diane V.K., Dawson H., Sally L.

Also for the Diocesan Prayer List:

St. Joseph the Carpenter, Sevierville, TN

Advent Station, Calico, SD

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

September Birthdays & Anniversaries

September 3 Liz Berg

September 3 Virginia Perry

September 4 Vicky & Dave St. John

September 6 Cheryl Rikken

September 9 Debbie & Mel Hines

September 13 Betty Anne Haldi

September 14 John McCoy, II

September 18 Cindy Hentchel

September 22 Julie Arledge

For Your Calendars

THIS WEEK

Sept 28	8:00 am	10:30 am	
Acolyte	Jack Lefler	Dawson Hope	Altar Guild: Donna Bye
EM	Donna Bye	Drew Hawley	Flower Guild: Bev Baumgardner
Lectors	Andrew Wilkinson	Liz Berg	Pianist: Tammy Keever
Ushers	Carl Bye	Monty Ross & Jan Hanna	Celebrant &
Coffee Hour	Rosemary Kitts	Jenny Lucas	Preacher: Rebecca Bridges
Video	n/a	Mark Blakley	Monday Volunteer 9/29
Counters	n/a	Monty Ross & Carolyn Parker	TBD

NEXT WEEK

Oct 5 28	8:00 am	10:30 am	
Acolyte	Andrew Wilkinson	Mark Smith	Altar Guild: Donna Bye & Drew Hawley
EM	Judy Hadian	Bonnie Smith	
Lectors	Peggy Rogers	Judy Egan	Flower Guild: Rosemary Kitts
Ushers	Jen Hennes	David Baumgardner & Garry Lucas	Organist: Judy Moyer
Coffee Hour	Pam McAfee	Ginny Tolbert	Celebrant &
Video	n/a	Ann Murphy	Preacher: Rebecca Bridges
Counters	n/a	Alice Anderson & Jean Cardwell	Monday Volunteer 9/22 TBD

Next Week at Resurrection

Monday, September 29

7:00 p.m. - AA (open meeting)

Tuesday, September 30

1:30 p.m. - Bow Tying

Wednesday, October 1

9:00 a.m. - Deadline for Parish Tidings
or bulletin submissions

Thursday, October 2

9:30 a.m. Prayers & Squares

Sunday, October 5

4Paws Sunday

8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, spoken

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. - Blessing of the Pets

10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, choral

12:00 - 1p.m. - Blessing of the Pets

Email office@episcopalloudon.com by Wednesday
at 9 a.m. to have your ministry or committee's
activities added to the parish calendar.

COMING UP ...

Saturday, October 4

Loudon Woman's Club (Jean Cardwell)

Sunday, October 12

Holy Eucharist, spoken

Holy Eucharist, choral

**Check your Parish Tidings
for upcoming details!**

To contact our priest, the Rev. Dr. Rebecca Bridges, please email rector@episcopalloudon.com or call the church at (865) 986-2390. For pastoral needs after hours, call (865) 242-9240.

TODAY'S ART



DIEGO RIVERA

Frozen Assets, 1931–32

Fresco on reinforced cement in a galvanized-steel framework, 239 x 188.5 cm, Museo Dolores Olmedo, Xochimilco, Mexico; Credit: © 2019 Banco de México Diego Rivera Frida Kahlo Museums Trust, Mexico City / ArtistsRights Society (ARS), New York. Photo: Schalkwijk / Art Resource, NY

Diego Rivera arrived in New York as the Great Depression lengthened and deepened, and what he encountered there informed and inflamed the leftist political leanings he had already developed in his native Mexico. In this mural, painted during his time in the city, Rivera captures and comments upon the instrumentalization of humanity, as the grandeur and built environment of the city is undergirded by the suffering of its

inhabitants—suffering which itself rests on a bank vault, guarded and minded by the beneficiaries of capitalism.

As is common in the later writings of the New Testament, this part of 1 Timothy is keen to offer advice for the living of life. Especially prominent here is a warning against wealth and the desire for it, both as a personal principle (it plunges people into ruin and destruction) and as a force that works on an almost-cosmic scale (it is the root of all kinds of evil). Framed as advice to a young believer, from a beloved pastor-mentor to a protégé in the faith, the warning is clear: wealth has sundered many from their faith.

While Rivera's painting is oriented vertically, with one scene atop another, it editorializes the horizontal—the relationships between persons, which are conditioned and severed by the vertical disparities of wealth. At the top, the city rises with its skyscrapers, and cranes imply that more are on the way. But in that urban landscape there are no persons; only in the bottom two-thirds of the image do we find any human beings, and they are diminutive ones.

In the middle register, in a scene that almost evokes a morgue, the anonymous sleeping bodies of the homeless are packed into a shelter as a policeman looks on. And at the bottom, the bankers and their customers are the only people with faces. Their features are indistinct, but they exude calm and self-satisfaction.

1 Timothy's warning is more intelligible to the masses in the middle frame than it is to the wealthy at the bottom, but Rivera puts the root beneath the ground just as the epistle does—the root of evil sending up both the triumph of the city and the misery of its labourers.

References

Dickerman, Leah, Diego Rivera, and Anna Indych-López. 2011. *Diego Rivera: Murals for the Museum of Modern Art* (New York: Museum of Modern Art)