



The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost July 5th 2026

9:00 am

Holy Eucharist

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

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Our Vision Statement

We are an open, Christ-centered community, caring for each other, and doing God's work in the world.

The office is open: Mon - Wed 10:30 am - 3:00 pm; Tue & Thu 9:00 am – 12 noon

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GATHERING RITE

Prelude:

Gathering Hymn: *O Bless the Lord my Soul Hymnal # 411*

Gathering Sentences

Presider: Blessed be this day!

People: **And all it shall bring.**

Presider: Blessed be all creation.

People: **And all that has life.**

Presider: Spirit of Light and Love.

People: **Hope of all ages in time and eternity.**

Presider: *Let us take a moment of silence to appreciate God's presence in our midst.*

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 you Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen**

Gloria in Excelsis: *Hymnal # S 277*

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider: O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to

one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Lessons

A reading from the book of the prophet Zechariah

Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;

triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Our Psalm

Psalm 145:8-15

Exaltabo te, Deus

8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 The LORD is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.

10 All your works praise you, O LORD, *
and your faithful servants bless you.

11 They make known the glory of your kingdom *
and speak of your power;

12 That the peoples may know of your power *
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; *
your dominion endures throughout all ages.

14 The LORD is faithful in all his words *
and merciful in all his deeds.

15 The LORD upholds all those who fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed down

The Epistle

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: *We Gather Together* *Hymnal # 433*

The Holy Gospel

Presider: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Matthew 11:6-19, 25-30

Jesus said to the crowd, “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

**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.**

Prayers of the People

Intercessor /Deacon: Let us pray for all who seek to know the love of God,(pause) We pray:

All: Help us to be a witness to that love.

intercessor /Deacon: Let us pray for peace in our world...(pause) for the countless victims of unjustified violent acts, robbing children of their parents, uprooting and devastating their lives. In Ukraine and the Middle East

All: May our prayers bring about change and restoration of true peace.

Intercessor/Deacon: Let us pray for our president Donald, governor Kathy and all elected officials who have sworn to serve and uphold our constitution.

All: Help them to live up to what they profess.

Intercessor /Deacon: Let us pray for those who are innocent victims of war and geopolitical unrest and have been used as pawns in the midst of those seeking to retain dominance and power.

All: Help us to practice justice, compassion and mercy in all of our relationships.

Intercessor /Deacon: Let us pray for our church. (pause) First and foremost for our members who demonstrate faithfulness, for those who serve us in leadership, our vestry, wardens, deacon, rector and bishop.

All: May we all seek to serve God in faith.

Intercessor /Deacon: In our diocesan and Anglican cycles of prayer we pray for

The Rev. Carla Asiakson-Yarnal, The Rev. Albert Keeney, The Rev. Susan Kohlmeier, Will Ingle, Peace and Justice teams, The Anglican Church of South America

All: Help us all to walk in faith.

Intercessor /Deacon: Let us pray for those who are grieving the loss of loved ones.
(Pause), We pray:

All: May your loving kindness be upon us as we place our trust in you.

Confession

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. [pause]

All: 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.

Presider: 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.

People : Amen.

The Peace

Deacon: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Presider: Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus.

People: Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

Presider: On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Presider: Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

People: Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Presider: Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Luke and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

All: AMEN

Presider: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

People: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal# S 154

Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People

= This is God's table and All are welcome.

Communion Hymn:

Abide with me

Hymnal# 662

SENDING RITE

Prayer after Communion

Presider: Let us pray.

People: **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen**

The Blessing

Presider: God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always.

People: **Amen.**

Announcements

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go in peace to love and serve our God, Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Announcements

- Parish Picnic

Our Prayer List

Alex Patterson (grandson of Jean Patterson) Alice Hardin, Chad Olson, Sue Veronda, Ellen Wheeler, Don Roemermann, Linda & Michael Dertzo (parents of Michael and Melissa Panara) Lou Ann Washing (friend of Susan Miller), Bruce Cady (husband of Mary Ann Cady) Dr. Bruce Baker (dad to Patti Winn)

<i>The participants in the service this week and next are:</i>		
	July 5	July 12
	9:00am	9:00am
Acolyte	Vic Bridges	Cathy Thayer
Lector/Intercessor	Marti St George	Pat Knapp
Greeters/Ushers	Gary Gocek	Marlene
Altar guild	Marti St Georgeq	Mary Ellen McDougal
Money counters	MSG	MSG