

# Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

## July 7, 2024



### PRELUDE

### WORDS OF WELCOME

### ENTRANCE HYMN *We all are one in mission (Nyland)*



1. We all are one in mis - sion, we all are one in call,
2. We all are called for ser - vice to wit - ness in God's name.
3. We all be - hold one vi - sion, a stark re - al - i - ty;
4. Now let us be u - nit - ed and let our song be heard.



our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.  
Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent, our pur - pose is the same:  
the stew - ard of sal - va - tion was nailed up - on a tree.  
Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.



A sin - gle, great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove  
to touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace,  
Yet res - ur - rect - ed Jus - tice gives rise that we may share  
We all are one in mis - sion, we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.  
so peo - ple of all na - tions may feel God's warm em - brace.  
free re - con - cil - i - a - tion and hope a - mid de - spair.  
our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* Glory to God for ever and ever.

**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.**

## OPENING ANTHEM OR SONG OF PRAISE *MHSO 9 Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! (Berthier)*

*Refrain*

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!  
Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Beloved God, as we approach your Presence, guide and stir us with your Holy Spirit, that we may become one body, one spirit in Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING: Ezekiel 2:1-5

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the book of Ezekiel.

[The LORD] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.<sup>2</sup> And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. <sup>3</sup> He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup> The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." <sup>5</sup> Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may follow.*

## PSALM: Psalm 123 *Alternate with the lector.*

1 To you I lift up my eyes, \*  
to you enthroned in the heavens.  
2 **As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, \***  
**and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,**  
3 So our eyes look to the Holy One our God, \*  
until God shows us mercy.  
4 **Have mercy upon us, O God, have mercy, \***  
**for we have had more than enough of contempt,**  
5 **Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, \***  
**and of the derision of the proud.**

## SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

A Reading from Paul's Second letter to the Church in Corinth.

<sup>2</sup>I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. <sup>3</sup>And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—<sup>4</sup>was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. <sup>5</sup>On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup>But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, <sup>7</sup>even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. <sup>8</sup>Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, <sup>9</sup>but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Zimbabwe Alleluia (St. Gregory of Nyssa, San Francisco)



## GOSPEL: Mark 6:1-13

*All stand.*

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

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

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup>On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup>Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” <sup>5</sup>And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup>And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup>He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup>He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup>but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup>He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup>If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” <sup>12</sup>So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup>They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **THE SERMON**

### **THE CREED**

**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**

### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Let us confess our sins to God.

**God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.**

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

## THE PEACE

*All stand.*

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*          **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

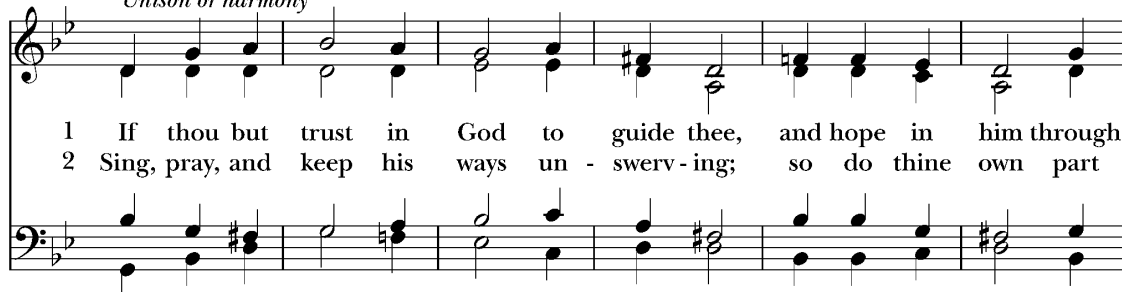
## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

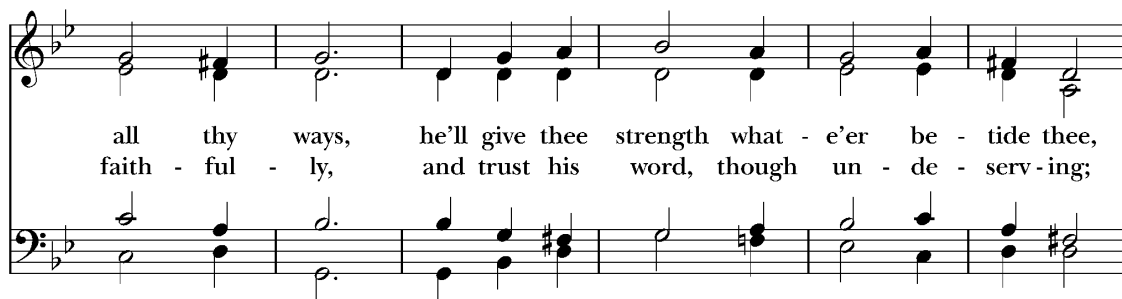
Let us with glad hearts offer the fruits of our life and labor to the Lord.

### OFFERTORY HYMN *If thou but trust in God to guide thee (Wer nur den lieben Gott)*

*Unison or harmony*



1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through  
2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; so do thine own part



all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,  
faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;



and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -  
thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -

chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.  
sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The People remain standing.*

*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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## SANCTUS WLP 858 *Holy, holy, holy (Folk/Pruner) (American folk melody) (WLP 858)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, heaven 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are: '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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C).

*The People stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed 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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. **Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament,**

**and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.**

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*People and Celebrant*

**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.**

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.  
*Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.*

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 Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep us in everlasting life. *Amen.*

### **SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

*For those remaining at home, a Spiritual Communion is offered. This is a personal devotion that anyone can pray (at any time) to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances prevent them from receiving the elements.*

For those worshipping with us from home, we pray together with you:

**Lord Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may I embody your grace and be renewed for your service. Amen.**

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**Eternal God,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.**



**Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**SENDING FORTH**

We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Body and Blood of Christ.

**We who are many are one Body, for we all share in the one bread and the one cup.**

**BLESSING**

Holy eternal Majesty,  
Holy incarnate Word,  
Holy abiding Spirit,  
Bless you for evermore. *Amen.*

**POST-COMMUNION HYMN** *Lord, you give the great commission (Abbot's Leigh)*

1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the  
2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my  
3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my  
4. Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther,  
5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing; "I am

sick and preach the word." Lest the church ne -  
name bap - tize and teach." That the world may  
bod - y, this my blood." Let us all, for  
what they do, for - give." Yet we hoard as  
with you to the end." Faith and hope and

glect its mis - sion, and the gos - pel go un -  
 trust your prom - ise, life a - bun - dant meant for  
 earth's true glo - ry, dai - ly lift life heav - en -  
 pri - vate trea - sure all that you so free - ly  
 love re - stor - ing, may we serve as you in -

heard, help us wit - ness to your pur - pose  
 each, give us all new fer - vor, draw us  
 ward, ask - ing that the world a - round us  
 give. May your care and mer - cy lead us  
 tend and, a - mid the cares that claim us,

*Refrain*

with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty.  
 clos - er in com - mun - i - ty.  
 share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty. } With the Spir - it's  
 to a just so - ci - e - ty.  
 hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty.

gifts em - power us for the work of min - is - try.

**DISMISSAL**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Serving today:**

**Ministers of Music:** Jon Steimel, Organist

**Lector:** Ulana Klymyshyn **Prayers:** Ulana Klymyshyn

**Presider:** Rev. Diane Stier **Director:** Alice Ciccu **Chalice:** Mary  
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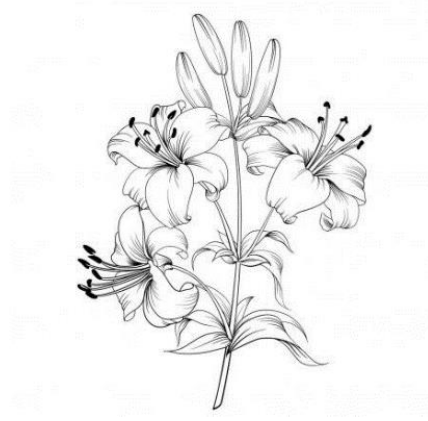
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Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Henry & Nancy Fulton's wedding anniversary by their daughter, Jenny Fulton.

**We pray this week...**

For Michael, Presiding Bishop; Skip, our Assisting Bishop, and for our diocese; and Bonnie, Bishop of Michigan, Rayford, Bishop of Northern Michigan.

For Moisés, Bishop of the Dominican Republic

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury

For Craig, Bishop of ELCA.

For The Anglican Church of Melanesia

For Joe, our President; Gretchen, our Governor; and all who make decisions for this nation.

For Diane, our Rector; Eric, our Choirmaster; Mekeila, our Admin. Asst.

For all those in our diocese discerning calls to ministry, especially Christi and Jess

For our lay ministers, lectors, choir, acolytes, greeters, and hospitality hosts

For all non-parochial clergy and Lutheran pastors serving in our congregations

For St. Peter's Seasonal Chapel, Lake Leelanau – Charles Bennison, Vicar

For Worship Leaders in the Dioceses

For the members of St. John's, especially those celebrating birthdays this week:

For the members of St. John's especially: Claire, Clancy, Patricia, Daniel, Jasmine, Peyton, Isla, David, Jennifer, Rex, Emma, David, Nancy & Matthew

For those on the Prayer Group's list, especially Brent, Cindy, Diana, Gabriel, Mary Lou, Nancy, and Harry

For all who have died.

***Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church***, where faithful people and seekers have gathered for worship since 1884.

Using this bulletin you will be able to participate as fully as you feel comfortable. In the Episcopal tradition, we do a lot of moving – standing, bowing, kneeling, sitting. Generally, we stand to *praise*, kneel to *pray*, and sit to *listen*. If you are unsure of what to do, just follow the moves of others around you. There's no one way of getting it "right"!

*Newcomers and visitors:* An accessible bathroom is located in the hallway outside the side door near the front of the church, and there is also one downstairs, which can be reached by the elevator in the same hallway.

*Please know that all are invited to Christ's table. If you would prefer not to receive, simply cross your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. Our Eucharistic bread is gluten free.*

*We believe what is written on the wall of the church on the Isle of Iona:*

*This is the table, not of the Church but of Jesus Christ.*

*It is made ready for those who love God and who want to love God more.*

*So come, you who have much faith and you who have little;*

*you who have been here often*

*and you who have not been here for a long time or ever before;*

*you who have tried to follow and you who have failed.*

*Come, not because the Church invites you;*

*it is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.*

Again, welcome. We are glad you are here. Join us for *Coffee Hour* in the parish hall immediately after the service.

- *Rev. Sr. Diane Stier and the People of St. John's*