JULY 9, 2023 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 10:00am

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- P God loves you all the time.
- C All the time God loves you.

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

 Merciful God,
- C we confess that we have sinned.
 We have failed to be honest.
 We have lacked the courage to speak.
 We have hurt our community.
 We have squandered your blessings.
 We have hoarded your bounty.
 In the name of Jesus,
 forgive us and grant us your mercy.
- P God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.
 God offers boundless grace when we fail.
 Claim the gift of God's mercy:
 you are freed and forgiven
 in the name of + Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.



GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

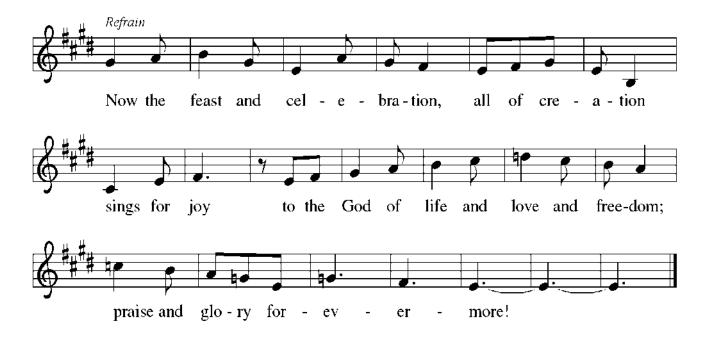
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HYMN OF PRAISE

Now the Feast and Celebration





PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: Zechariah 9:9-12

9Rejoice 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.

10He 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.

¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 145:8-14

Read responsively

⁸The Lord is gracious and full ¹ of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in ¹ steadfast love.

⁹LORD, you are ¹ good to all, and your compassion is over ¹ all your works. R

¹⁰All your works shall praise ¹ you, О Lord, and your faithful ¹ ones shall bless you.

- ¹¹They shall tell of the glory | of your kingdom and speak | of your power,
- ¹²that all people may know ¹ of your power and the glorious splendor ¹ of your kingdom.
- ¹³Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures through- out all ages.

You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in | all your works.

¹⁴The Lord upholds all | those who fall and lifts up those who | are bowed down. **R**

SECOND LESSON: Romans 7:15-25a

¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

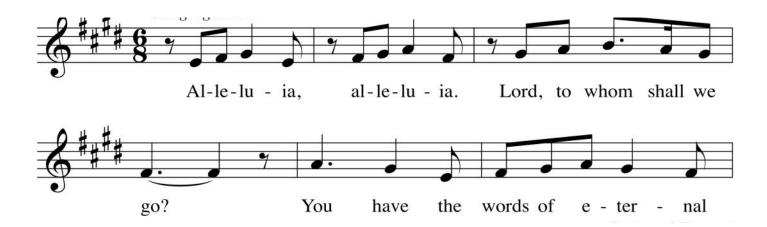
²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

The holy gospel of Matthew the eleventh chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶"To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; ¹⁹the 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."

²⁵At 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; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All 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.

²⁸"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

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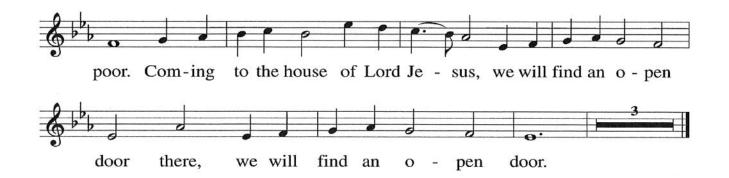
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

Pastor Tara Magoon

Please stand as you are able at the last verse.





APOSTLES' CREED

A Let us profess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

God of the covenant, you call ministers to proclaim your gospel of grace throughout the world. Inspire pastors, deacons, church musicians, and all ministers of your word (*especially name*/s) as they carry out your work. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of all creation, you reveal your goodness through all you have made: rivers and seas, plants and animals, and endangered species. Prosper the work of conservation organizations, botanical gardens, zoos, and wildlife sanctuaries. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of the nations, you desire that all the peoples of the world live in peace. Guide government leaders at all levels—national, state/province, and local—to work for justice, mercy, and reconciliation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of compassion, you bring healing to those who are sick, consolation to those who are grieving, and well-being to those who are distraught. Send skilled caregivers to all in need (*especially*), and make your presence known among all who suffer. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of rejoicing, you have brought us together this day to worship around word and sacrament. Encourage children in their learning and growing, and watch over those who are absent today. Lead us all to places of renewal and refreshment. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of all faithfulness, through the witness of the faithful departed you reveal love in action. Embolden us by their example to build up the beloved community in all the contexts we encounter. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

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Pastor Tara Magoon, Rachel Stewart

Please stand as you are able.



OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sus tain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you
- C And also with you
- P Lift up your hearts
- C We lift them to the Lord
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened for us the way of everlasting life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- 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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P All people are called Christ's table.

Come, and eat what is good.

All are welcome at the table of the Lord.

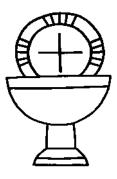
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COMMUNION

Communion will be received at the head of the Sanctuary. Starting with the section closest to the sound room and worshippers may make way to the chancel rail and receive the communion elements.

Elements at in-person worship are red wine and white grape juice.

Please let Pastor know if you require gluten-free bread.

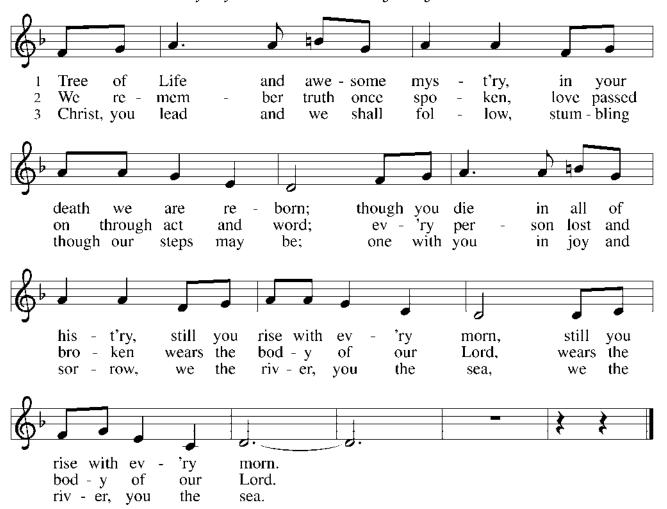


HYMN DURING COMMUNION



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Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery ELW334



Light of life beyond conceiving, mighty Spirit of our Lord; give new strength to our believing, give us faith to live your word

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Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling ELW 608



COMMUNION BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

BLESSING

- P The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.
- C Amen.



DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Share the harvest.
- C Thanks be to God.



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

10:00am

Assisting Minister: Jean Warren Greeter/Usher: Amy Zunino

Usher: Jay Snyder Reader: Nancy Goyda Sound: Paul Warren Streamer: Liam Breslin

Nursery: Jamie Breslin, Niah Breslin Refreshments: Jane Foskett, Jim Foskett Counters: Jim Foskett, Amy Zunino

The Altar Flowers are presented to the Glory of God by Susan Porter in memory of loved ones.

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