

July 9, 2023

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 14)

10:00 a.m. - Sung Eucharist

Welcome

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The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn #387 "All Praise to Thee"

<u>Jesus Christ is Lord</u> (Philippians 2:5–11); Paraphrase by F. Bland Tucker

- All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine, didst yield the glory that of right was thine, that in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine:
 - might shine: alleluia; alleluia!
- 2 Thou camest to us in lowliness of thought; by thee the outcast and the poor were sought, and by thy death was God's salvation wrought:

alleluia; alleluia!

3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee, who wast a servant that we might be free, humbling thyself to death on Calvary; alleluia; alleluia!

- Wherefore, by God's eternal purpose, thou art high exalted o'er all creatures now, and given the name to which all knees shall bow:
 - alleluia; alleluia!
- 5 Let every tongue confess with one accord in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord; and God the Father be by all adored: alleluia; alleluia!

Greeting and Collect for Purity

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Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People And also with you.
Celebrant Almighty God,

People to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are

hidden. 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.

Glory to God [Hymn #686]

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Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,

People 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.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

People

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of your children we do also for him. Give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, but lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Genesis 24:34–38

Reader A reading from the Book of Genesis.

³⁴ So [the man] said, "I am Abraham's servant. ³⁵ The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. ³⁶ And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. ³⁷ My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; ³⁸ but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son . . . '

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 45:11-18

- "Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; forget your people and your father's house.
- 12 The king will have pleasure in your beauty;
 - he is your master; therefore do him honour.
- 13 The people of Tyre are here with a gift; the rich among the people seek your favour."
- 14 All glorious is the princess as she enters; her gown is cloth-of-gold.
- 15 In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.

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- With joy and gladness they are brought, and enter into the palace of the king.
- 17 "In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons;
 you shall make them princes over all the earth.

18 I will make your name to be remembered from one generation to another; therefore nations will praise you for

ever and ever."

Gracious God, your love unites heaven and earth in a new festival of gladness. Lift our spirits to learn the way of joy that leads us to your banquet hall, where all is golden with praise. We ask this through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Second Reading: Romans 7:15–25a

Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

¹⁵ I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸ 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. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

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

Reader The Word of the Lord.
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Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

Holy Gospel: Matthew 11:16–19,25–30

Subdeacon The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Subdeacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁶ [Jesus said,] "But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,

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

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

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

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

Subdeacon The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

A time for silent reflection is kept.

The Apostle's Creed - Hymn #44 "I Believe in God Almighty"

Paraphrase by Sylvia G. Dunstan

- 1 I believe in God almighty, Father of all things that be, maker of the earth and heavens, keeper of the sky and sea. I believe in God's Son, Jesus, now for us both Lord and Christ, of the Spirit and of Mary born to bring abundant life.
- I believe that Jesus suffered, scourged and scorned and crucified; taken from the cross, was buried—true life there had truly died.
 I believe that on the third day
 Christ was raised up from the grave, then ascended to God's right hand.
 He will come to judge and save.
- I believe in God's own Spirit,
 bonding all the saints within
 one Church, catholic, and holy,
 where forgiveness frees from sin;
 in the body's resurrection,
 for the breaking of death's chain
 gives the life that's everlasting:
 this the faith that I have claimed.

The Prayers of the People

Leader Lord, in your mercy,
People Hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

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Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

People 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 neighbours 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 upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace page 192

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn #508 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

Text by Horatius Bonar

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give the living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live." I came to Jesus and I drank of that life-giving stream; my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him. 3 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light: look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright." I looked to Jesus and I found in him my star, my sun; and in that light of life I'll walk till travelling days are done.

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Let us pray.

People God of heaven and earth, receive our sacrifice of praise, and strengthen us for the perfect freedom of your service, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer #3

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Proper Preface The Lord's Day 2

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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 Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on this first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

> In our unending joy we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven as we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

People

Michael Leach

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.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

People we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer [Michael Leach]

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People Our Father in heav'n, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And 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 for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread #3

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Celebrant Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

People So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Lamb of God [Michael Leach]

People

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

The Communion page 213

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God. People

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Celebrant Dear friends, if you are present or elsewhere and are unable to receive the sacrament at this time, I invite you to join me and the whole church in spiritual communion to receive Christ, who is present in this Sacrament of the Altar. Let us pray.

People

Lord Christ, present in the Sacrament of the altar and in your people, gathered in spirit, come and abide in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; transform my life and actions that they may reflect the image of your holiness; and, by the power of your liberating love, overthrow all that threatens or disrupts the justice and truth of the reign of God. In your name I pray. Amen.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn #541 "As Longs the Hart"

Psalm 42; paraphrase by Donna Harkin

- 1 As longs the hart for flowing streams, so longs my soul for you, O God; my soul does thirst for the living God: when shall I come to see your face?
- 2 My tears have fed me day and night, while others said, "Where is your God?" But I recall, as my soul pours dry, the days of praise within your house.

Why do I mourn and toil within, 3 when it is mine to hope in God? I shall again sing praise to God, who is my help, who is my God.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

People

O God, may we who have shared in holy things never fail to serve you in your world, and so come to the fullness of joy, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Doxology [Michael Leach]

People

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more, infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever, for ever and ever. Amen, Amen.

Blessing

Dismissal

Subdeacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn #577 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Text by Harry Emerson Fosdick

- 1 God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your power; now fulfil your church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.
- 2 Lo, the hosts of evil round us scorn your Christ, assail his ways. Fears and doubts too long have bound us;

free our hearts to work and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, for the living of these days.

- 3 Cure your children's warring madness. Bend our pride to your control. Shame our wanton selfish gladness, rich in goods and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss your kingdom's goal, lest we miss your kingdom's goal.
- Set our feet on lofty places; gird our lives that they may be armoured with all Christ-like graces in the fight for liberty. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail ourselves and thee, that we fail ourselves and thee.

Please join us for refreshments following the service.

Today's Scripture Readings

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 24:34-38,42-49,58-67 Psalm 45:11-18 Romans 7:15-25a

Matthew 11:16-19,25-30

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 25:19-34
Psalm 119:105-112
Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

Congregation Cycle

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	Celebrant & Preacher		Server	Truman Jian
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The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-show-nee) and Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nations, and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory was the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. This territory is also covered by the Toronto Purchase. Today, Toronto is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island.

We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and work in this community, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.