

St. Jude's Episcopal Church Seeking and Worshipping God, Reaching out to Others

June 9, 2024 The Third Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 am Holy Eucharist

# ----- A Special WELCOME to all! -----

**It's the "season after Pentecost,"** a long period without major Sunday Feasts or liturgical changes. We'll enjoy the goodness of Creation and get to know Jesus through the witness of *Mark*, the earliest and shortest Gospel. Today we see tension rising between Jesus and his own family, who don't understand why he keeps saying controversial things. *Has he lost his mind?*!

Are you new to our church? We'd love to get better acquainted. Take home a neon-orange flyer. Please leave your name and email or phone number in one of our guestbooks, located at both entrances of the worship space; or by filling out one of the Welcome cards in the pew.

All persons who desire to receive Holy Communion are served here, no questions asked. Today, we offer gluten-free Bread, which may be dipped into the small bowl of wine; or, consume your bread and sip wine from the chalice that follows. Or neither: just cross your arms over your chest. You may also ask a blessing from the priest.

Hymn # These hymns are located in the blue Hymnal 1982 in your pew.WLP # These hymns are located in the green hymnal books that will be handed out.

# The Gathering of the Community

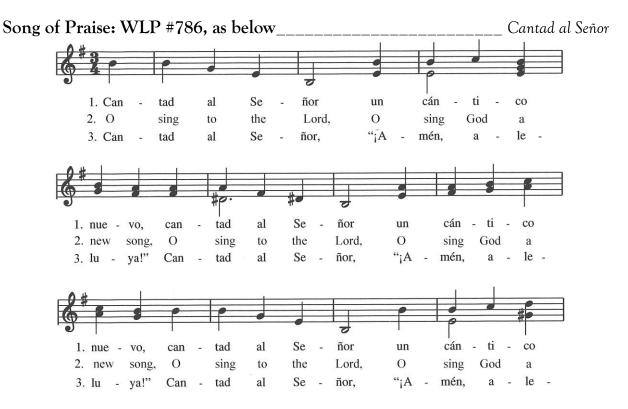
Prelude

## Opening Hymn

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made; We will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.

## Open Acclamation & Collect

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
Presider 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.





#### Collect of the Day \_\_\_\_\_

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray, together.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading Please be seated \_\_\_\_\_\_ 1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20

*Reader* A Reading from the First Book of Samuel.

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put

them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day."

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles."

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The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The Psalm	Psalm 138
1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; *	
before the gods I will sing your praise.	
2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, $^{\star}$	
because of your love and faithfulness;	
3 For you have glorified your Name *	
and your word above all things.	
4 When I called, you answered me; *	
you increased my strength within me.	
5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, *	
when they have heard the words of your mouth.	
6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, *	
that great is the glory of the Lord.	
7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; *	
he perceives the haughty from afar.	
8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *	
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;	
your right hand shall save me.	
9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; *	
O Lord, your love endures for ever;	
do not abandon the works of your hands.	
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#### 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

#### The Second Reading

Reader A Reading from Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke" —we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

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So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn #517 \_\_\_\_\_ How lovely is thy dwelling place

The Gospel Reading Please stand \_\_\_\_\_\_ Mark 3:20-35

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Mark.People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter;

but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin" – for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

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

The Sermon Please be seated	_ The Rev. Susan Anslow Williams
Please remain in silence for a moment of reflection following t	he sermon.

The Nicene Creed Please stand \_\_\_\_\_

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.

Prayers of the People Please stand or kneel\_\_\_\_\_

- *Deacon* Let us pray for the Church and for the world; remembering especially *{concerns in the news this week}*; in assurance that God hears our prayers and cares for those in need.
- *Leader* God of love, we pray for your church: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Skip our assisting bishop; for all lay and ordained ministers in the Dioceses of Eastern and Western Michigan; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and energy, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world. God of love,
- People Hear our prayers for the church.
- *Leader* God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, especially Joe our President and Gretchen our Governor, who serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred and to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love, especially between Israel and Gaza, Ukraine and Russia. God of freedom,
- People Hear our prayers for the world.
- *Leader* God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted into our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth, its creatures, and our natural resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy that you have given us. God of justice,

People Hear our prayers for the earth.

Leader God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For refugees and

prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice. We pray especially for those on our prayer list, and others we name... (*your intercessions are invited*). Awaken in us true compassion and humility of spirit, so we may seek and serve Christ in all persons. God of mercy,

People Hear our prayers for all who are in need.

- *Leader* God of hope, we pray for those who have died. For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice and peace; for prophets who called us to reconciling actions; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints; especially those departed whom we name... (*your intercessions are invited*). Bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light. God of hope,
- People Hear our prayers for those who have died.

# The Presider adds a concluding prayer: For Church Musicians

O God, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven: We give you thanks for the gifts of vocal and instrumental music shared in worship at St. Jude's. Be ever present with your servants who seek through art and music to perfect the praises offered by your people on earth; and grant to them even now glimpses of your beauty, knowing that at length they will behold it unveiled for evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## Confession of Sin, please stand or kneel \_\_\_\_\_

PresiderLet us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.PeopleMost merciful God,<br/>we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,<br/>by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.<br/>We have not loved you with our whole heart;<br/>we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.<br/>We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.<br/>For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;<br/>that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,<br/>to the glory of your Name. Amen.

## Absolution is pronounced by the priest

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.** 

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The Peace Please st	tand	
	peace of the Lord be always with you.	
People And	also with you.	
Let u	is greet one another with the Peace of Christ!	
Milestones and A	Announcements	
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Offertory	C	God Make Us Your Family

The Doxology Please stand & join in singing \_\_\_\_\_ Old 100th 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.

# The Celebration of the Eucharist

# Supplemental Eucharistic Prayer 3 \_\_\_\_\_ EOW1

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

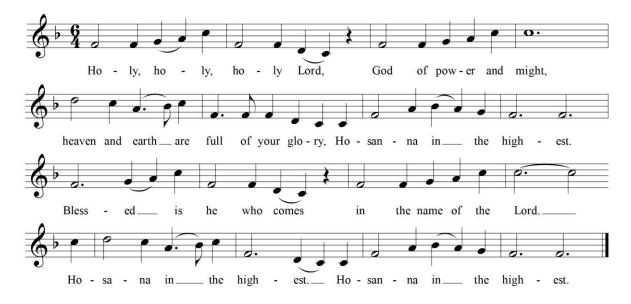
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise. *The Presider continues* 

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created

all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it surged in chaos; you brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing: all you create is a sign of hope for our journey. And so, as the morning stars sing your praises, we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:



The people remain standing or may kneel. The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent: you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations; you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you

and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

#### Presider and People

# Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

#### The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us + and upon these gifts of bread and wine + that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Jude and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

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Presider and People

## Blessed are you, now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer \_\_\_\_\_

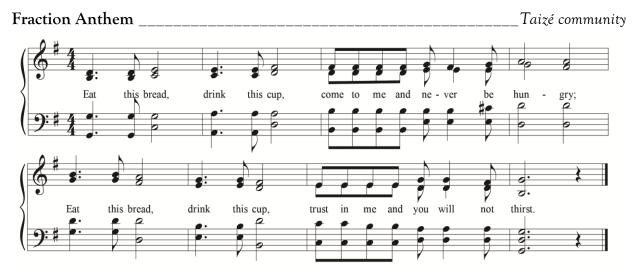
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Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we make our prayer:

# The Breaking of Bread, silence follows

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!



# An Invitation to Communion

Sanctuary

*Priest* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

*Priest* These are the gifts of God for you, the people of God.

# The Communion

Please be seated until invited by the Ushers to come forward, or let them know if you would like Communion brought to you in the pew. *All are welcome* but no one is obliged to receive. If you would prefer not to receive Communion, please cross your arms across your chest indicating you would like to receive a blessing instead. Today we are blessing gluten-free bread. The wine may be sipped from the chalice, or wait to intinct (dip your bread) into the small bowl of blessed wine. Please do not intinct into the chalice.

# **Communion Music**

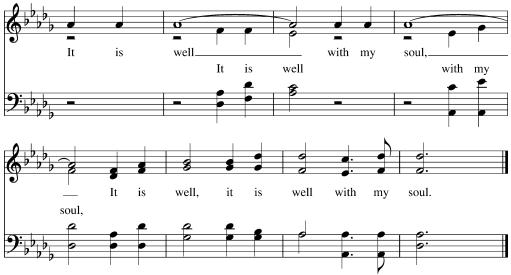
Hymn \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true;

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Hymn: LEVAS2 #188\_\_\_\_\_ It is well with my soul Printed on next page...



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Words: Horatio Spafford (1828-1888). Music: Philip P. Bliss (1838-1876).

#### Prayer after Communion Please stand as able

Priest Let us pray.

People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son 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 Lord. Amen.

The Blessing is said by the priest

# <u>The Sending Out</u>

Sending Out Hymn #594 \_\_\_\_\_ God of grace and God of glory

#### Sending Out

The Deacon dismisses the congregation, after which the people respond: Thanks be to God!

# Postlude\_

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