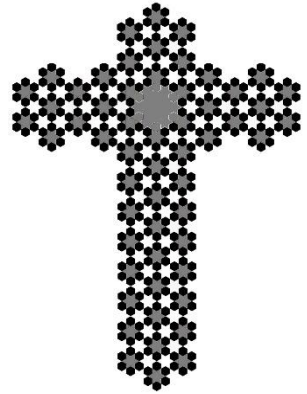


SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 16, 2023

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite II



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WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

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We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

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GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Nun danket alle Gott

George E. Beverst
(1930-2007)

[During the Voluntary, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE HYMN H-397

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us!
With ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
eternal, Triune God, whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be, evermore.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

All 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.

HYMN OF PRAISE H-404

We Will Extol You

OLD 124TH

We will extol you, ever-blessèd Lord; your holy Name for ever be adored;
each day we live our psalm to you we raise; you, God and King, are worthy of all praise,
great and unsearchable in all your ways.

Age shall to age pass on the endless song, telling the wonders which to you belong,
your mighty acts with joy and fear relate; praise we your glory while on you we wait,
glad in the knowledge of your love so great.

You, Lord, are gracious, merciful to all, close to your children when on you they call;
and slow to anger, merciful and kind, in your compassion we your blessings find.
We love you with our heart and strength and mind.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray... O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people sit.

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 25:19-34

Lector *The First Reading is taken from Genesis chapter 25...*

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger."

When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Now your word is a lantern, Lord, that always gives my pathway light,
nor will I fail to keep the law; your judgments all are just and right.

No troubles like this have I known; but let your word preserve my life;
now, Lord, accept the words I speak and teach me always what is right.

Not once will I forget your law, although my life is in my hand;
nets have been placed to tangle me, but I hold fast to your command.

Near to my heart are your decrees, my heritage forever sure;
now I have set my heart to keep your holy precepts evermore.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 8:1-11

Lector *The Second Reading is taken from Romans chapter 8...*

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Lector *The Word of the Lord.*

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John Schiavone

All sing this refrain, cantor sings the verse:



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Cantor: The Lord sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor,
and to proclaim liberty to captives. Alleluia. **(Refrain)**

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

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

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

Deacon Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people sit.

SERMON

The Rev. Deacon Cindy Roehl

All stand as able.

NICENE CREED *Please stand.*

People

**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 *Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.*

Deacon

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Lector

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lector

Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

Lector

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lector

Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

Lector

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lector

Lord, in your mercy

People
Lector

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We give thanks for the flowers given to the Glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of John Scott, Carol Cretella, and for the anniversary this week of Kevin & Cindy Matson.

Silence

Lector

Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

Lector

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially . . . [add names from notebook] and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [leave time], give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lector

Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

Lector

We commend to your mercy all who have died, (especially . . . [add names from notebook]) and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [leave time] that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lector

Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION:

Please kneel or stand as able.

Deacon

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*Silence is kept.*)

People

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.

Celebrant 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.

All **Amen.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Please be seated.

OFFERTORY

As the Grains of Wheat

Marty Haugen
Julian Guini, Solo

All stand as able.

THE PRESENTATION

Deacon We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God's world.

PRESENTATION HYMN H-380 (*st. 3*)

OLD HUNDREDTH

**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 GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

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 him thanks and praise.**

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

(Proper Preface)

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:

All **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. Hosanna in the highest.**

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The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father 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 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 shed for you and for many 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.**

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, 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 Father, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the Chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you. If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION

Christ, Faithful Sower

Frederick G. Russell
Julian Guini, Solo

COMMUNION HYMN H-302 Father, We Thank Thee Who Has Planted RENDEZ À DIEU

**Father, we thank thee who hast planted thy holy Name within our hearts.
Knowledge and faith and life immortal Jesus thy Son to us imparts.**

**Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy pleasure, didst give us food for all our days,
giving in Christ the Bread eternal; thine is the power, be thine the praise.**

**Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mercy, save it from evil, guard it still,
perfect it in thy love, unite it, cleansed and conformed unto thy will.**

**As grain, once scattered on the hillsides, was in this broken bread made one,
so from all lands thy Church be gathered into thy kingdom by thy Son.**

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray...

All **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The sower scatters seeds in hope across the waiting earth,
 expecting sun and gentle rain to bring strong plants to birth,
 but some which fall on rocky soil will wither in the sun,
 and some which fall among the weeds are choked before they're grown.

The seeds which fall in fertile soil, if blessed by sun and rain,
 will grow and ripen, and will bear a bounteous yield of grain.
 At harvest time the sower reaps with joy an ample crop,
 but sorrows for the many seeds which never have come up.

God sends us forth to cultivate the fields that he has sown,
 to teach and nurture tender faith, encourage faith full grown.
 Like faithful workers in God's fields with mind and heart we strive
 to mirror in our daily life Christ's kindness and his love.

Not every seedling faith will thrive, not all faith's plants will grow;
 We grieve that weeds of sin and self choke some before they know.
 But God determines sun and rain and works beyond our sight;
 the faith we thought was lost may yet grow ripe within God's light.

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THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Fanfare in B Flat Major

Charles W. Ore

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Deacon	The Rev. Cindy Roehl
Organist/Choirmaster	Tom Huffman
Crucifer/Server	Jackson Bond
Torch/Chalicists	Carey Cherivtch & Pat Cates
Lectors	Ryan Stollenmaier & Nancy Fisher
Prayers of the People	Ryan Stollenmaier
Ushers	Bob Roehl & Nancy Fisher
Building & Grounds	Cheryl Sharpe
Welcome Table	Joe & Betty Lombardo, John Drega
Cantor	Julian Guini

Prayers are requested for:

The Week of July 09 – Clint H, Betty H, Sue E, Charlie W, Glenn R, Bethany E, Dave, Joy, Edna Mae, Diane N, Bill W, Cam & Sherry B, Carmella A, Jim K, Diane M, Jason C, Jim, Marilyn, Sue, Charlotte, Judy L, Mike, Kim B, Delores D, Ray F, David D, Karen A, Oleana & family, Bob S, Adriana P, Elliot T, Mary Ann M, Lynne, Karen L, Christopher J.

Celebrations this week: Birthdays – John Scott, and Carol Cretella.

Anniversaries – Kevin & Cindy Matson.

Announcements

Dunedin Cares School Supply Drive: We will be helping to collect school supplies this month, along with our regular food drive on July 16 for Dunedin Cares to aid families struggling to cover their classroom lists. Needed items are: snacks, pencils, notebooks, glue sticks, crayons, markers, colored pencils, hand sanitizer, and tissues.

Soul Sisters Women’s Retreat: We have limited openings for any women that might be interested in the upcoming Soul Sisters’ Retreat at DaySpring in Parrish, Florida! The dates of the event are September 29 through October 1. We will begin our time together on that Friday with dinner and end after the Sunday service at the Chapel at DaySpring. Please contact Michelle Schombs at 727-638-3560 or m19ma50@verizon.net, for further information.

5th Sunday Breakfast in July: We hope you will join us for a continental breakfast sponsored by the Vestry on July 30th after each service.