

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - JULY 11, 2021



When humanity becomes complacent in the ways of God, we fall into sin and disobedience. God told Amos he was setting a plumb line in Israel. The plumb line showed the reality of sin and unfaithfulness among God's people. Even though Herod was the Jewish king, he showed no faithfulness toward God. Herod did not fear God; rather he feared that John had returned in the person of Jesus of Nazareth.

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

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- ◆ You are here by God's calling and we extend Christ's hospitality to you this day.
- ◆ In worship, we hear God's Word, partake in the Lord's Supper, and give thanks to God in prayer and praise.
- ◆ If you receive the Lord's Supper in your home congregation, you are welcome to receive it here.
- ◆ Restrooms and a nursery are located in the backside hallway. Look for the horseshoe cross.
- ◆ Please fill out a visitor card so we can keep in touch. The Lord give you strength for daily living.
- ◆ A personal hearing aid is available if needed. Please ask a Greeter or any member for assistance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, MUSICAL PRELUDE - MUSICIAN: KAREN WARNELL

HOLY COMMUNION, SETTING ONE

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS (*Stand, Spoken*)

P: In the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

P: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus Christ our Lord, let us with confidence draw near to God, that we may receive mercy and find grace in time of need. (*Hebrews 4:14-16, adapted*)

C: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your lovingkindness. In your great mercy wash away our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Create in us clean hearts and renew a right spirit within us. Restore us to the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your Holy Spirit. Amen (*Psalms 51:1-2, 10-11, adapted*) (*A moment of silent confession*)

P: In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

APOSTOLIC GREETING (*Spoken*)

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.

PRAYER FOR MERCY (*Spoken*)

P: Let us pray to the Lord for peace. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Let us pray to the Lord for salvation. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Let us pray to the Lord for the well-being of the world and the unity of the Church of God. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Let us pray for this holy house as we offer God our worship and praise. **C: Lord have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord. **C: Amen**

HYMN "GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS" (*Sung*)

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.** *Refrain*

**Summer and winter and springtime and harvest Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.** *Refrain*

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!** *Refrain*

Refrain **Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY *(Spoken)*

P: The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray: God of glory,

C: Father of love, peace comes from you alone. Send us as peacemakers and witnesses to your kingdom, and fill our hearts with joy in your promises of salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FIRST READING — AMOS 7:7-15, p. 914 *(Sit)*

SECOND READING — EPHESIANS 1:3-14, p. 1159

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL VERSE *(Stand, Sung)*

Divine instructor, gracious Lord, May you be always near; Teach us to love your sacred Word and find our Savior there.

GOSPEL READING & RESPONSES – MARK 6:14-29, p. 1000 *(Spoken)*

P: The Holy Gospel from St. Mark chapter 6. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE *(Sit)*

HYMN “WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS” #439 *(Stand, Sung)*

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Oh, what peace we often forfeit; Oh, what needless pain we bear

All because we do not carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?

We should never be discouraged Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share?

Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care?

Precious Savior, still our refuge Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.

In his arms he'll take and shield you; You will find a solace there.

THE APOSTLES' CREED *(Spoken)*

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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 THE CHURCH *(Spoken)*

P: Let us pray, ... through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

OFFERING HYMN - Amy Terry (Vocal) / Logan Ratliff (Guitar)

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS *(Sung)*

We give thee but thine own, Whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus As stewards true receive, And gladly, as thou blessest us, To thee our first fruits give.

OFFERING PRAYER (*Spoken*)

P: Let us pray.

C: Lord God, maker of all things, through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer our selves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING (*Spoken*)

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 him thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (*Sung*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND LORD'S PRAYER (*Spoken*)

AGNUS DEI (*Sung*)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE HOLY SACRAMENT (*Sit*)

POST-COMMUNION HYMN (*Stand, Sung*)

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (*Spoken*)

Holy Father, having received now this blessed food and drink, we ask you to deliver us from every evil, teach us to love you perfectly, and make us one, holy Church doing the good works you desire us to do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

BENEDICTION (*Spoken, Romans 15:13*)

P: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, through the power of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

HYMN: "IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE" #526 (*Sung*)

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,

Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise!

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;

Thy justice like mountains high soaring above Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; In all life thou livest, the true life of all;

We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree, And wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.

Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light; Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;

All laud we would render; oh, help us to see 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. (*Spoken*)

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE — MUSICIAN: KAREN WARNELL

