



Holy Cross EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Seventh Sunday of Easter
June 1, 2025

The Service of the Word

Opening Hymn: “We Walk By Faith” (*See insert*)

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

The Collect for Purity

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

CHILDREN’S CHAPEL *** (Ages 4 – 10 years)

During the following hymn, children process with the leader to the Chapel for a lesson and singing; they return at The Peace.

Song of Praise: “I Am Not Alone”

*Through the valley of the shadow I will not fear,
I am not alone, I am not alone
You will go before me, You will never leave me*

The Collect of the Day - *prayed by the Celebrant*

The First Reading: Galatians 5:13-26

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

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

Psalm: 97 (read responsively by half verse)

- 1 The LORD is King;
let the earth rejoice;
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him,
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.
- 3 A fire goes before him
and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD,
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness,
and all the peoples see his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods!
Bow down before him, all you gods.
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgments, O LORD.
- 9 For you are the LORD,
most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The LORD loves those who hate evil;
he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous,
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy Name.

Sequence Hymn: “New Every Morning”

*Your mercies are new, Your mercies are new
New every morning*

The Gospel Reading: John 17:20-26

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People *Glory to you Lord Christ.*

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you Lord Christ.*

Message: "The How To of Life"

The Rev. Rob Dixon

The Nicene Creed (p. 358 BCP)

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 & 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.*

(*“catholic” means universal)

Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *(Silence)*

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone. (Silence)

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace. (Silence)

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression. (Silence)

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy. (Silence)

We pray especially for the peoples in impoverished and war-torn areas;
Move every heart to yearn for peace, justice, and kindness for all people. (Silence)

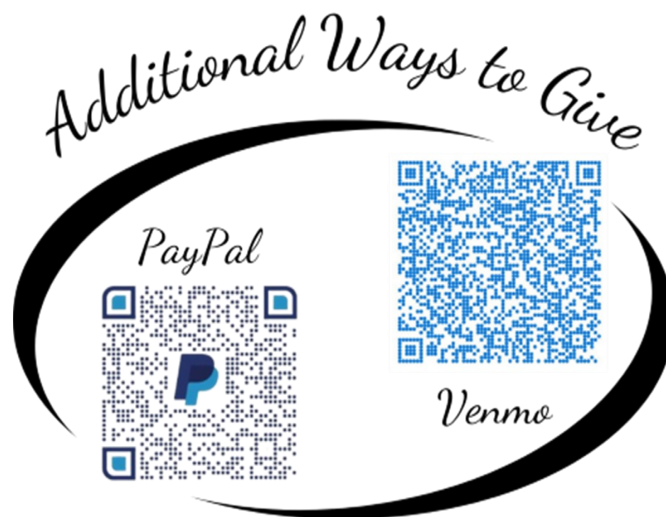
For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. – and for all those on our Church’s prayer list. *(Pray aloud or silently for your own needs and concerns).* We pray especially for all who have died and for those who miss them. – *Pause.* Comfort and sustain us. *Help us to trust in you and in the never-ending life you eternally offer all people.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

And now, Heavenly Father, we pray to you for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown, things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

The Peace: Welcome & Announcements





The Holy Communion

This portion of the service begins on p. 361 in the BCP however, you are encouraged to give your attention to the altar.

The Communion. *All seeking God through Jesus are invited and welcome to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive communion is invited come forward, cross their arms over their chest, and receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to someone in the pews, please notify the ushers at the door of the church. For bread only, no wine, put one arm across your chest. Gluten Free available.*

Offertory Hymn : “Great is Thy Faithfulness”
*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 has been Thou forever wilt be.*

*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!*

*Summer and winter, 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)*

The Doxology : (v. 3)
*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

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.
People *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

Sanctus S-129

*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 Therefore we proclaim the mystery of
faith:
People *Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.*

The Lord's Prayer (p. 336 BCP)

*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.*

Communion Hymn: “I Will Follow You” (See insert)

Communion Hymn: “Living Hope” (See insert)

Post Communion Prayer (p. 365 BCP)

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.*

Closing Hymn 707: “Take My Life and Let it Be”

The Dismissal

**NO ONE LEAVES HUNGRY
FROM JESUS' TABLE**



As an important extension of our worship,
the Food Pantry is made available and we
have a Community Hour following our
10:30 worship. Ask an usher or priest for
more information.

Serving Today

8:00am - DOD: Mary Shontz, **Chalice Bearer:** Ed Austin
Readers: Hunter Walker, Lorrie Wilkinson

10:30am - DOD: Susan Bell, **Acolytes:** McKenzie Simpler,
Sierra Dixon **Ambassador:** Clay Coleman, **Chalice Bearers:**
Angela Hinkle, Camille Lukow **Readers:** Steve Lukow and
Brandi Love-Spain

Home Communion Volunteers:
Jacemine Ray & Hunter Walker

Your Sermon Notes:

ACTS OF _____:

- sexual immorality
- impurity and debauchery
- idolatry and witchcraft
- hatred
- discord
- jealousy
- its of rage
- selfish ambition
- dissension
- factions and envy
- drunkenness
- Orgies

FRUIT OF THE _____:

- love
- Joy
- Peace
- Patience
- Kindness
- Goodness
- Faithfulness
- Gentleness
- Self-control

HOMEWORK:

Looking at the list above of the Sinful Nature and the Spirit, in each of these situations – work, home, friendships, online social media, marriage, church, toward the poor, and driving – consider these two questions:

1. “In the situations at _____ what is pushing me?”
2. What do I need to do to follow the way of the Spirit which will lead me into life (freedom, blessing)?”

Prayer List

Requested Prayer

CJ Moffett, Diane Persell*, Fay Scordato*, Jaime Badilla, Nancy Gibbons, Melinda Turner, Sherry Tilman’s Family, Paul Ridgeway, Tony Kimmons, Wallace Wilson, Mable Wilson’s Family,

Military

Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Alexander Logan, Anthony

Robbins, Asa Ramsey, Ben Boyer, Benjamin Merriweather, Cale Eggart, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Corbin Czeck, Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan Hoewt, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey, Jackie Neville, James Madden, Jeremy Rice, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Kyle McChesney, Landen Haskins, Laz Bailiff, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Shaun Southall, Steven Bonello, Stephen del Risco, Taylor Knueven

Repose of the Soul

Sherry Jo Tilman, Diane Ridgeway Spicer, Mable Wilson, Daniel Dial

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