



The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 22, 2025

The Service of the Word

Opening Hymn 416: "For the Beauty of the Earth"

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

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever! Amen.***

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 362: "Holy Holy Holy" (v. 1)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

The Collect of the Day - prayed by the Celebrant

The First Reading: 1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15a

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying,

"What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm: 42:1-5 (read responsively by half verse)

- 1 As the deer pants for streams of water,
so my soul pants for you, my God.
- 2 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.
when can I go and meet with God?
- 3 My tears have been my food day and night,
while people say to me all day long, "Where is your God?"
- 4 These things I remember as I pour out my soul:
how I used to go to the house of God under the protection of the Mighty One with shouts of joy and praise among the festive throng.
- 5 Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? **Put your hope in God for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.**

Sequence Hymn: "Open"

(Refrain) I leave my heart open open to You

I'm holding back nothing, nothing from You

Take my life and let it be a holy offering

Here I am Lord all of me I surrender ev'rything (Refrain)

The Gospel Reading: Luke 8:26-39

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" -- for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

Message: "Driving Elijah"

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. –
(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 to all
people.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We also pray for all those on our church's prayer list;

*Fill their lives with the healing power of your loving Spirit.
(Silence)*

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 to 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: “Precious Lord, Take my Hand” (See insert)

The Doxology 380: (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)

Communion Hymn: “O Come To the Altar” (See insert)

Communion Hymn: “Spirit Song” (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: “Christ Be Our Light”

*Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice.*

*(Refrain) Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.*

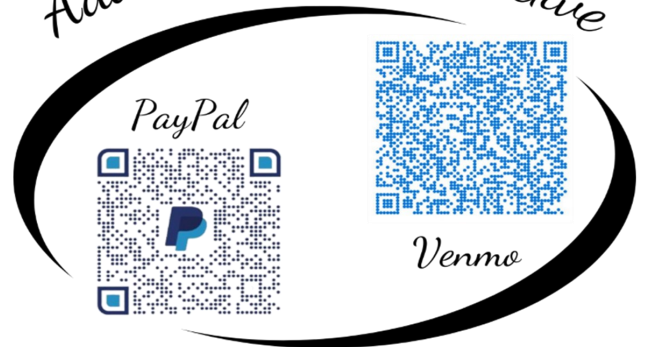
*Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed. (Refrain)*

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.

Additional Ways to Give



Serving Today

8:00am: DOD: Lorrie Wilkinson, Chalice Bearer: Kathy Bleeker, Readers: Chip Lands, Hunter Walker

10:30am: DOD: Kathy Meloche, Acolytes: Evelyn Spain, Gregory Rider, Sierra Dixon, Ambassador: Clay Coleman, Chalice Bearers: Eden Ridgeway, Laurie White, Readers: Eden Ridgeway, Aaron Wimmers.

Home Communion Volunteers:

Eden Ridgeway & CJ Moffet

Your Sermon Notes:

Prayer List

Requested Prayer

CJ Moffett, Diane Persell*, Fay Scordato*, Nancy Gibbons, Melinda Turner, Kaki Chambers, Lavonne Thomas, Tony Kimmons, Mable Wilson's Family, Gene Press, Marilyn Pruitt*, Sylvia Clark, Barbara Coats, Paul Wallas, Robby Bay, Della Maddox, Pamela James, Adele Lott, Gloria Gamlin

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, 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, Patrick Resler

Repose of the Soul

Mable Wilson, Daniel Dail, Elnora Lee Parceil, Linda Shouse

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