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WELCOME TO EVERYONE

Please take a moment to TURN OFF all cell phones as the signal interferes with our sound system.

Thank you.

Our Head Usher for today is Mrs. Marcia Burton.

Worship Tips & Gentle Reminders

Please encourage the children and young people to participate in the service, particularly if they are sitting next to you. Guide them if necessary.

Sung Eucharist & Sermon

ORDER OF SERVICE

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

Welcome and Introduction of Service

Preparation:

And now as we prepare for worship, let us bow our heads and hearts before Almighty God in the words of our preparation.

*We have come into His house and gathered
In His name to worship Him*

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*We have come into His house and gathered
In His name to worship Christ the Lord
Worship Him, Christ, the Lord*

*So forget about yourself and concentrate on
Him and worship Him*

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Let us Pray together the Collect for Purity: Page 101 (BCP)

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**

Opening Prayer:

Introit Hymn: CH 206

1. When God of old came down from heaven,
in power and wrath he came;
before his feet the clouds were riven,
half darkness and half flame:

2. But, when he came the second time,
he came in power and love;
softer than gale at morning prime
hovered his Holy Dove.

3. The fires, that rushed on Sinai down
in sudden torrents dread,
now gently light, a glorious crown,
on every sainted head.

4. And as on Israel's awestruck ear
the voice exceeding loud,
the trump, that angels quake to hear,
thrilled from the deep, dark cloud;

5. So, when the Spirit of our God
came down his flock to find,
a voice from heaven was heard abroad,
a rushing, mighty wind.

5. It fills the church of God; it fills
the sinful world around;
only in stubborn hearts and wills
no place for it is found.

6. Come Lord, come wisdom, love, and power,
open our ears to hear;
let us not miss the accepted hour;
save, Lord, by love or fear.

Opening Sentence:

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Pentecost

When the Spirit comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness to me; and you also are witnesses, because you have been with me from the beginning. *John 15:26,27*

Acclamation & Prayer of Intent:

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PRESIDENT:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. Amen.

The Kyries & Gloria:

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THE KYRIES

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One;
you alone are the Lord;
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

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Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

1st Lesson: Genesis 28: 10-19a

Miss. Decara Prescod

READER: A reading from the word of God, written in Genesis Chapter 28, beginning to read at the 10th verse.

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on

which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place--and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel; but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

The word of the Lord

ALL : Thanks be to God

Psalm 139: 1-11, 22-2315

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(congregation remain seated)

1. LORD, you have searched me out and known me; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
2. You trace my journeys and my resting-places * and are acquainted with all my ways.
3. Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, * but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
4. You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me.
5. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; * it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
6. Where can I go then from your Spirit? * where can I flee from your presence?
7. If I climb up to heaven, you are there; * if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
8. If I take the wings of the morning * and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
9. Even there your hand will lead me * and your right hand hold me fast.
10. If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, * and the light around me turn to night,"

11. Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; * darkness and light to you are both alike.
22. Search me out, O God, and know my heart; * try me and know my restless thoughts.
23. Look well whether there be any wickedness in me * and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:* and to the Holy Spirit
As it was in the beginning is now *and ever shall be, world without end....**Amen**

2nd Lesson: Romans 8: 12-25

Mrs. Lisa Gaskin

READER: A reading from the word of God, written in Romans Chapter 8, beginning to read at the 12th verse.

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh --for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ--if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

The word of the Lord

ALL : Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn:

CH 473

1. In heavenly love abiding,
no change my heart shall fear.
And safe in such confiding,
for nothing changes here.
The storm may roar without me,
my heart may low be laid,
But God is round about me,
and can I be dismayed?
2. Wherever He may guide me,
no want shall turn me back.
My Shepherd is beside me,
and nothing can I lack.
His wisdom ever waketh,
His sight is never dim.
He knows the way He taketh,
and I will walk with Him

(Final verse after Gospel)

The Gospel: Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

(Congregation remain standing for the Gospel)

PRIEST: The Lord be with you

ALL: **And also with you**

PRIEST: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew Chapter 13 beginning
to read at the 24th verse

ALL : **Glory to Christ our Saviour**

Jesus put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' 'But he

replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

PRIEST :This is the Gospel of Christ

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord

Gradual Hymn:

CH 434 (Final Verse)

3. Green pastures are before me,
which yet I have not seen.
Bright skies will soon be o'er me,
where the dark clouds have been.
My hope I cannot measure,
my path to life is free.
My Saviour has my treasure,
and He will walk with me.

THE SERMON:

REFLECTION:

*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Break me, melt me, mould me, fill me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*

The Nicene Creed

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**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen or 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,
one in 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 was born of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered, died and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in fulfilment of 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.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped 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 Bidding Prayer:

The Intercessions: Form B (Page 107 BCP) Youth

LEADER:

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

ALL: That we all may be one.

LEADER:

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

ALL: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

LEADER:

We pray for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons;

ALL: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

LEADER:

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

ALL: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

LEADER:

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

ALL: That our works may find favour in your sight.

LEADER:

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

ALL: That they may be delivered from their distress.

LEADER:

Give to the departed eternal rest;

ALL: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

LEADER:

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

ALL: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

LEADER:

Let us pray for our needs and those of others.

Silence may be kept.

ALL

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords to your will; and the good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Act of Penitence:

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PRESIDENT

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

A period of silence shall be kept.

Let us therefore confess our sins.

FORM A

ALL:

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name. Amen

FORM B

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 neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as we ought. 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.*

THE ABSOLUTION:

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PRESIDENT

Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE:

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FORM A

PRESIDENT

We are the body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL

Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

FORM B

PRESIDENT

If your are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you,

ALL

Leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

FORM C

PRESIDENT

The Kingdom of God is justice, peace, and joy, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

ALL

They who thus serve Christ are acceptable to God and approved by others.

The President shall then greet the congregation.

PRESIDENT

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL And also with you.

The President and people shall greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Peace Song: Bind us together

*Bind us together, Lord,
Bind us together
With cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord,
Bind us together,
Bind us together with love.*

*There is only one God,
There is only one King,
There is only one Body,
That is why we sing:*

*Made for the glory of God,
Purchased by His precious Son.
Born with the right to be clean,
For Jesus the victory has won.*

*You are the family of God,
You are the promise divine,
You are God's chosen desire,
You are the glorious new wine.*

PRESENTATION:

VBS

Offertory Hymn:

CH 208

1. Bright the vision that delighted
once the sight of Judah's seer;
sweet the countless tongues united
to entrance the prophet's ear.
2. Round the Lord in glory seated
cherubim and seraphim
filled his temple, and repeated
each to each the alternate hymn:
3. 'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
earth is with its fullness stored;
unto thee be glory given,
holy, holy, holy, Lord.'
4. Heaven is still with glory ringing,
earth takes up the angels' cry,
'holy, holy, holy,' singing,
'Lord of Hosts, the Lord most high.'
5. With his seraph train before him,
with his holy church below,
thus unite we to adore him,
bid we thus our anthem flow:

Final verse after the Offertory Prayer)

The Offertory Prayer:

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PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE,

Father, we offer to you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Offertory Hymn:

CH 208 (Final verse)

6. Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
earth is with its fullness stored;
unto thee be glory given,
holy, holy, holy, Lord.

THE EUCHARIST

Sursum Corda: (The Lord be with you) Page 126/127 (BCP)

PRESIDENT The Lord be with you.
ALL **And also with you.**

PRESIDENT Lift up your hearts.
ALL **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PRESIDENT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
ALL **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

PRESIDENT

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father Almighty, everlasting God:

The Proper Preface: (Pentecost)

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Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfilment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down (on this day) from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations

Sanctus: (Holy, Holy, Holy)

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Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever 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!**

The Eucharistic Prayer A:

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PRESIDENT

All Holy and glorious Father,
our Creator God,
we give you thanks
because in your loving wisdom
you brought all things into being,
and are truly worthy of praise
from every creature you have made.
Again and again
we have turned away from you;
yet in every age your steadfast love
has called us to return,
to live in union with you:
for it is your eternal purpose
to put new life into all things
and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ
who took our human nature upon Him
you have redeemed the world
from the bondage of sin:
and by the power of your Holy Spirit
you have gathered a people to yourself,
to make known in every place
His perfect offering which He made
to the glory of your Name.

Hear us, therefore, Father,
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;
And grant that these gifts of bread and wine
may be unto us His Body and Blood.

For, on the night He was betrayed
He took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,
He broke it and gave it to his disciples
and said: "Take this, and eat it:
"This is my Body which is given for you.
"Do this for the remembrance of me."

And after supper
He 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."

PRESIDENT

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

One of the following Acclamations shall be said:

ALL

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

or

Jesus is Lord.

He has reconciled us to himself:

Christ makes all things new.

or

Christ is Lord.

Through His death we were made children of God:

He is our hope of glory.

PRESIDENT

And so, Heavenly Father,
rejoicing in His Holy Incarnation;
His Blessed Passion and His Perfect Sacrifice
made once for all upon the Cross;
His Mighty Resurrection from the dead;
His Glorious Ascension into heaven;
and looking for His Coming in glory;
we offer to you this Bread and this Cup.

We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of
praise and thanksgiving;
and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood
of your Son, our great High Priest,
may be renewed by your Holy Spirit,
and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.

Let faith and love increase in us.
Unite us with all Bishops,
all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments,
and with the whole people of God,
living and departed,
whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness,
that we may be found ready to join the company
of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
the Holy Apostles,
and all your saints,
when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again:
Forever giving you thanks and praise
through Him from whom all good things do come.
With Him and in Him and through Him,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father Almighty,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL
Blessing and honour and glory and power
Be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer:

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PRESIDENT

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread:

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PRESIDENT

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

ALL

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

or

PRESIDENT

God of promise, You have prepared a Banquet for us.

ALL

Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

or

PRESIDENT

This is the true bread which comes from heaven.

ALL

Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

The Agnus Dei: (Lamb of God)

Page 147 (BCP)

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.

Invitation to Communion:

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FORM A

PRESIDENT

My brothers and sisters in Christ, draw near and receive His Body which He gave for you, and His Blood, which He shed for you. Remember that He died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

ALL

Grant gracious Lord, that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son, Jesus Christ and drink His blood, that we may evermore dwell in Him and He in us. Amen.

FORM B

PRESIDENT

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL

Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad songs of praise to Him.

FORM C

PRESIDENT

Draw near and receive the Body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ with faith and thanksgiving.

ALL

We do not presume to come to this your table, most merciful Father, trusting in our own righteousness, but only in your boundless mercy. We are not even worthy to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the Lord ever the same, ever merciful. Grant therefore Lord of grace and love that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and drink his blood that with bodies and souls made clean from every stain of sin we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.

The Administration of Communion:

During the singing of the Communion Hymns, we invite to the Lord's Table all those persons who are communicant members in this church and in their respective churches. "Please remember to place your arms across your chest if you are taking communion by intinction, that is, by the Priest dipping the bread into the wine."

Communion Hymn: CH 670

1. There's a Friend for little children
above the bright blue sky,
a Friend who never changes,
whose love will never die:
our earthly friends may fail us,
and change with changing years;
this Friend is always worthy
of that dear name he bears.
2. There's a rest for little children
above the bright blue sky,
who love the blessed Saviour,
and to the Father cry:
a rest from every turmoil,
from sin and sorrow free,
where every little pilgrim
shall rest eternally.

3. There's a home for little children
 above the bright blue sky,
 where Jesus reigns in glory,
 a home of peace and joy:
 no home on earth is like it,
 nor can with it compare;
 for every one is happy,
 nor could be happier, there.

4. There's a crown for little children
 above the bright blue sky,
 and all who look for Jesus
 shall wear it by and by:
 a crown of brightest glory,
 which he will then bestow
 on those who found his favour
 and loved his name below.

5. There's a song for little children
 above the bright blue sky,
 a song that will not weary,
 though sung continually;
 a song which even angels
 can never, never sing;
 they know not Christ as Saviour,
 but worship him as King.

6. There's a robe for little children
 above the bright blue sky;
 and a harp of sweetest music,
 and palms of victory.
 All, all above is treasured,
 and found in Christ alone:
 Lord, grant thy little children
 to know thee as their own.

Communion Hymn:

CH 553

1. You have all our future in your hands, in your hands.
We bid you take over all our life, Lord –
our dreams, aspirations, all our best, Jesus Christ.
Our all we place in your hands.

Refrain:

*In your hands, Lord, we place today, tomorrow;
in your hands, Lord, we surrender all.
To your hands we commit our joys, our sorrow;
in your hands, Lord, we surrender all.*

2. Keep walking beside us every night, every day,
and giving us courage for the fray, Lord.
We need you to guide us every step of the way;
Forsake us not, Lord, we pray.

Refrain

3. You place many duties in our hands, in our hands;
And shaping our world is our task, Lord.
On you we depend, Lord, for the power; this we ask
that all make sense in our hands.

Refrain

4. You call us to service in this land, in this land,
whose soul is just aching for your touch, Lord;
and we too are reaching for your hand, Jesus, Lord
Redeem us as we take our stand.

Refrain

5. So, Lord, we are trusting everything to your hands,
and then we keep praying for our land, Lord,
to labour with others for the best, Jesus, Lord.
Our all we place in your hands.

Refrain

Communion Hymn:**CH 572**

1. Be still, my soul! for God is near!
The great High Priest is with thee now;
The Lord of life himself is near,
before whose face the angels bow.
2. To make thy heart his lowly throne
thy Saviour God in love draws nigh;
he gives himself unto his own,
for whom he once came down to die.
3. He pleads before the mercy-seat;
he pleads with God; he pleads for thee;
he gives thee bread from heaven to eat,
his flesh and blood in mystery.
4. I come, O Lord! For thou dost call -
to blend my pleading prayer with thine;
to thee I give myself - my all,
and feed on thee and make thee mine.

Communion Hymn:**CH 205**

1. Spirit of mercy, truth, and love,
O shed thine influence from above,
and still from age to age convey
the wonders of this sacred day.
2. In every clime, by every tongue,
be God's surpassing glory sung;
let all the listening earth be taught
the acts our great Redeemer wrought.
3. Unfailing comfort, heavenly guide,
still o'er thy holy church preside;
still let us all thy blessings prove,
Spirit of mercy, truth, and love.

During the singing of the next hymn, all children who are not confirmed are invited to the Altar for a Blessing.

Hymn for the Blessing & Recommitment:

CH 550

1. I danced in the morning
when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon
and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven
and I danced on the earth,
at Bethlehem
I had my birth

Refrain:

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.*

2. I danced for the scribe
and the Pharisee
but they would not dance
and they wouldn't follow me;
I danced for fishermen,
for James and John -
they came with me
and the Dance went on:

Refrain:

3. I danced on the Sabbath
and I cured the lame:
the holy people
said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped
and they hung me on high,
and they left me there
on a cross to die:

Refrain

4. I danced on a Friday
when the sky turned black -
It's hard to dance
with the devil on your back.
They buried my body
and they thought I'd gone;
But I am the Dance
and I still go on:

Refrain

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.*

5. They cut me down
and I leapt up high;
I am the Life
that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you
if you'll live in Me -
I am the Lord
of the Dance, said He!

Refrain

Post Communion Prayer:

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ALL

**Almighty Father,
we thank you for feeding us
with the Body and Blood
of your Son Jesus Christ.
May we who share His Body
live His risen life; we who drink His cup
bring life to others;
we upon whom your Spirit shines give light to the world.
Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your Name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

or

**Eternal God and Heavenly Father,
we thank you for feeding us
with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you and all persons in you,
with gladness and singleness of heart,
through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

or

**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 honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen**

Final Blessing: Pentecost

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The spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the word and works of God; and the blessing Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

ALL Amen.

Additional Notices and Announcements:

Hymn of Eucharistic Thanksgiving:

CH 672

1. O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me,
my master and my friend;
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if thou wilt be my guide.

2. O let me feel thee near me:
the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me,
around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,
and shield my soul from sin.

3. O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to re-assure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul.

4. O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
my master and my friend.

5. O let me see thy footmarks,
and in them plant mine own
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone;
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my friend.

DISMISSAL AND BENEDICTION

Dismissal

PRESIDENT:

The Lord be with you

ALL:

And also with you.

PRESIDENT

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

ALL:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Benediction:

*Go in Peace and the Peace of God, Be with you this day.
Go in Peace and the Peace of God, Be with you always.
Celebrate and share the joy, Celebrate new Life,
Go in Peace and the Peace of God, Be with you always.*

*Count your blessings!
Name them one by one.*

*If you were blessed and enjoyed our service
Tell and bring others
Help them experience God's reconciling
Love for themselves and then share it with others.*

Saints' Days

St. James the Apostle

James was one of the first apostles of Jesus and one of the three Apostles to witness the Transfiguration. Tradition holds that he was martyred by King Herod. The feast of St. James the Apostle is celebrated on July 25th.

St. Christopher

Known as the "Christ bearer", St. Christopher is the patron saint of travellers. Historians believe that he may have been martyred in the 3rd century under Emperor Decius or Dacian. St. Christopher is remembered on July 25th.

Thomas à Kempis

Thomas à Kempis was a priest, copyist and writer. He copied the Bible no fewer than four times and is the most probable author of "The Imitation of Christ", which is one of the best known Christian books on devotion. Thomas à Kempis is remembered on July 24th.

Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Neither St. Anne nor St. Joachim is mentioned in the New Testament writing and all we know about them is found in apocryphal writings. They are commemorated together on July 26th.

Think about it!

A certain lady lived a very busy life...always on the go. No time to pray. Always no time for God or the things of God. Well, she died. When she got to the gate she realized that her name was not in the book for entry into Heaven. Very surprised, she asked God why her name was not in the book. "Well madam", God replied, "I didn't have time to write it."

Happy Birthday

<i>Mrs. Juliet Osbourne-Gibson</i>	<i>Sun</i>	<i>July 23</i>
<i>Mrs. Pauline Grazeette-Applewhite</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>July 26</i>
<i>Mr. Romel Crawford</i>	<i>Thurs</i>	<i>July 27</i>
<i>Mrs. Marva Cyrus</i>	<i>Sat</i>	<i>July 29</i>

Happy Anniversary



Mr. Barney Brathwaite & Mrs. Venice Brathwaite *Sunday* *July 23* *(23 yrs)*

Our Prayer List

Please remember and pray for those who are travelling.

Please remember and pray for those who are in hospital:

Please remember and pray for those who are recuperating: *Grafton Brathwaite, Cecile Isaacs*

Please remember those who have requested the prayers of the Church:

Coral Yearwood, Adrian Evans, Arlene Brooks, Edlin Chandler, Ruth Greaves, Joyce Clarke, Esther Hurley, Margo Hamblin, Ventriss Gooding, Yolanda Franklyn, Bernard Sealey, Itheil (Jimmy) Adams, Mr. & Mrs. Sylvester Jones, Carmen Shepherd, Seibert Scantlebury, Henderson Hinds, Elsie Clarke, Alexis Alleyne,

Please remember and pray for those who are sick & shut-in:

Omata Allamby, Erma Babb, Eric Best, Grafton & Doreen Brathwaite, Isolene Mason, Marjorie McCollin, Marge Walke, Tony Whittaker, Maureen Workman, Patricia Lorde (Snr.), Agnes Mars, Joyce Ifill, Anita Skeete.

Please remember and pray for those who grieve:

Marguerite Jones, Roseta Griffith and Rev. Allan Jones on the death of their mother Nellie Jones and Aunt Eudene Clarke; Ureal Edwards and family on the death of Roger Brathwaite; We remember all those who have died. May the Almighty God, who gave them life, take them back to himself and grant them eternal peace.

Please remember that the deadline for information to be included in the Sunday Bulletin is on Wednesday, 3:00 p.m. so this can be programmed into the Electronic Ministry System.

PERSONAL SAFETY TIPS

1. Try NOT to go out alone at night. ..
2. Don't take shortcuts: don't walk in or near alleys, and don't walk on deserted streets.
3. Use caution in parking lots, and don't walk in poorly lighted areas, or dark doorways, or near shrubbery.
4. Watch your surroundings and be alert for suspicious persons, especially around banks, stores, street, and your car or home.
5. Don't accept rides from strangers, and don't respond to comments from strangers on the street.

NEXT SUNDAY, 30th July, 2017

SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST PROPER 12A

8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist & Sermon / 10:30 Sunday School

READINGS:

Gen. 29: 15-28 OR 1 Kings 3: 5-12 / Psalm 105 OR Psalm 119 / Romans 8: 26-39

Gospel: Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

Words of Wisdom

*If anybody speaks badly of you,
live so nobody will believe it!*

LOOKING AHEAD

August 2017

Sunday 6th

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 13A
8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist & Sermon / NO Sunday School

Sunday 13th

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 14A
8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist & Sermon / NO Sunday School