



CHRIST CHURCH  
VERO BEACH

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

**July 20, 2025 | 10:30AM**

*Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

*Please observe a prayerful silence before the service.*



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The liturgy provided here is from the ACNA *Book of Common Prayer* 2019.

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## CALL TO WORSHIP

### Waymaker

- 1, You are here moving in our midst  
I worship You I worship You  
You are here working in this place  
I worship You I worship You

*Refrain: (You are) Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper  
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are*

2. You are here touching ev'ry heart  
I worship You I worship You  
You are here healing ev'ry heart  
I worship You I worship You
3. You are here turning lives around  
I worship You I worship You  
You are here mending ev'ry heart  
I worship You yeah I worship You Lord

That is who You are  
That is who You are  
That is who You are  
That is who You are

Even when I don't see it You're working  
Even when I don't feel it You're working  
You never stop You never stop working  
You never stop You never stop working

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## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

### **Lift up your Heads Ye Mighty Gates**

1. Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;  
behold the King of glory waits!  
The King of kings is drawing near;  
the Savior of the world is here.
2. O blest the land, the city blest,  
where Christ the ruler is confessed!  
O happy hearts and happy homes  
to whom this King of triumph comes!
3. Fling wide the portals of your heart;  
make it a temple, set apart  
from earthly use for heaven's employ,  
adorned with prayer and love and joy.
4. Redeemer, come! I open wide  
my heart to thee: here, Lord, abide!  
Let me thy inner presence feel:  
thy grace and love in me reveal.

5. So come, my Sovereign; enter in!  
Let new and nobler life begin;  
thy Holy Spirit guide us on,  
until the glorious crown be won.

words: Georg Weissel (1590-1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)  
music: *Truro*, melody from Psalmodia Evangelica, Part II, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-2872), alt.

## THE ACCLAMATION

*The People standing:*

CELEBRANT Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

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

## THE COLLECT OF 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.**

## THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. (Matthew 22:37-40)

## THE KYRIE

CELEBRANT Lord, have mercy upon us.

PEOPLE **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

CELEBRANT Lord, have mercy upon us.

# SONG OF PRAISE

## And Can it Be?

1. And can it be that I should gain  
an int'rest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain?  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! how can it be  
that Thou, my God, should die for me?

*Refrain: Amazing love! how can it be  
that Thou, my God, should die for me!*

2. He left His Father's throne above,  
so free, so infinite His grace;  
emptied Himself of all but love,  
and bled for Adam's helpless race;  
'tis mercy all, immense and free;  
for, O my God, it found out me. *(Refrain)*
4. No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
and clothed in righteousness divine,  
bold I approach th'eternal throne,  
and claim the crown, through Christ my own. *(Refrain)*

words: Charles Wesley; music: *Sagina*, Thomas Campbell

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

CELEBRANT      The Lord be with you.  
PEOPLE          **And with your spirit.**  
CELEBRANT      Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### A Reading from **Genesis 18:1-14**

Pew Bible pg. 12

<sup>1</sup> And the Lord appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup> He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth <sup>3</sup> and said, “O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup> Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, <sup>5</sup> while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on – since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” <sup>6</sup> And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, “Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes.” <sup>7</sup> And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. <sup>8</sup> Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup> They said to him, “Where is Sarah your wife?” And he said, “She is in the tent.”

<sup>10</sup> The Lord said, “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him.

<sup>11</sup> Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. <sup>12</sup> So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?” <sup>13</sup> The Lord said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ <sup>14</sup> Is anything too hard for the Lord? At the appointed time I will return to you, about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son.” (ESV)

READER            The Word of the Lord.  
PEOPLE            **Thanks be to God.**

## A responsive reading of **Psalm 15**

BCP pg. 282-283

<sup>1</sup> LORD, who shall dwell in your tabernacle? \*

Or who shall rest upon your holy hill?

<sup>2</sup> Whoever leads an uncorrupt life, \*

and does that which is right, and speaks the truth from his heart.

<sup>3</sup> He has not spoken deceitfully with his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbor, \*

and has not slandered his neighbor.

<sup>4</sup> In his eyes the wicked is rejected, \*

and he makes much of those who fear the LORD.

<sup>5</sup> He swears to his neighbor and disappoints him not, \*

though it were to his own hindrance.

<sup>6</sup> He has not given his money for usury, \*

nor taken a bribe against the innocent.

<sup>7</sup> Whoever does these things \*

shall never be overthrown.

## A Reading from **Colossians 1:21-29**

Pew Bible pg. 983

<sup>21</sup> And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup> he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, <sup>23</sup> if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

<sup>24</sup> Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, <sup>25</sup> of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup> the mystery hidden for



ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup> To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup> Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. <sup>29</sup> For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me. (ESV)

READER            The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE            **Thanks be to God.**

## SEQUENCE HYMN

### **Fairest Lord Jesus**

1. Fairest Lord Jesus,  
Ruler of all nature,  
O thou of God and man the Son;  
thee will I cherish,  
thee will I honor,  
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.
2. Fair are the meadows,  
fairer still the woodlands,  
robed in the blooming garb of spring:  
Jesus is fairer,  
Jesus is purer,  
who makes the woeful heart to sing.

## THE GOSPEL

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

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

<sup>38</sup> Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. <sup>39</sup> And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, <sup>42</sup> but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her." (ESV)

DEACON            The Gospel of the Lord.  
PEOPLE            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Sequence hymn continues*

3. Fair is the sunshine,  
fairer still the moonlight,  
and all the twinkling, starry host:  
Jesus shines brighter,  
Jesus shines purer,  
than all the angels heaven can boast.

words: German composite; tr. Pub., New York, 1850, alt.  
Music: *St. Elizabeth*, melody from Schlesische Volkslieder, 1842; harm. Thomas Tertius Noble (1867-1953)

SERMON

Canon Keith Allen

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying “hear our prayer” following each petition read aloud.*

LITANIST            Lord, in your mercy,  
PEOPLE             hear our prayer.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

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.

*The Celebrant pronounces the Absolution over the People*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

CELEBRANT      The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE          **And with your spirit.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

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OFFERTORY

*No Longer Slaves*

Johnson/Case/Helser

**Doxology** (*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.

CELEBRANT All things come from you, O Lord,  
PEOPLE **And of your own have we given you.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.  
PEOPLE **And with your spirit.**  
CELEBRANT Lift up your hearts.  
PEOPLE **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
CELEBRANT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
PEOPLE **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues*

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death  
and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting  
life.

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:

*Celebrant and People sing*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might, (repeat)  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. (repeat)**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest (repeat).**

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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. **Amen.**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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 FRACTION

CELEBRANT      Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

PEOPLE          Therefore let us keep the feast.

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

**We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

## AGNUS DEI

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 your peace.**

## THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

### **I Come to the Garden Alone**

1. I come to the garden alone  
While the dew  
Is still on the roses  
And the voice I hear  
Falling on my ear  
The song of God discloses

*Chorus    And He walks with me  
            And He talks with me  
            And He tells me  
            I am His own  
            And the joy we share  
            As we tarry there  
            None other  
            Has ever known*



2. He speaks and the sound of His voice  
Is so sweet  
The birds hush their singing  
And the melody  
That He gave to me  
Within my heart  
Is ringing
3. I'd stay in the garden with Him  
But He bids  
Me wait for His calling  
And so I will go  
But I now can know  
That He will save  
No falling

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## **Seek Ye First**

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
And His righteousness  
And all these things  
Shall be added unto you  
Allelu alleluia
2. Man shall not live by bread alone  
But by ev'ry word  
That proceeds  
From the mouth of God  
Allelu alleluia

3. Ask and it shall be given unto you  
Seek and ye shall find  
Knock and the door  
Shall be opened unto you  
Allelu alleluia

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## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

CELEBRANT                      Let us pray.

**Heavenly Father, 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.**

## BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

### **We will feast in the house of Zion**

*Refrain: We will feast in the house of Zion.  
We will sing with our hearts restored.  
He has done great things, we will say together.  
We will feast and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire;  
He is the Lord our God.  
We are not consumed by the flood;  
upheld, protected, gathered up. *(Refrain)*

In the dark of night before the dawn,  
my soul be not afraid.  
For the promised morning, oh, how long?  
O God of Jacob, be my strength. *(Refrain)*

Every vow we've broken and betrayed,  
You are the faithful one.  
And from the garden to the grave,  
Bind us together, bring shalom. *(Refrain)*

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## DISMISSAL

DEACON        Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**PEOPLE        Thanks be to God.**

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# NOTES







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