

# THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 25, 2023 AT 10:15 AM

## ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

*We are a welcoming, inclusive and affirming parish in the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina.  
We seek to meet and serve Christ in all people and glorify God in our words and our actions.*



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## A warm welcome to you on this **PRIDE** Sunday!

*If you are visiting this morning, please know that you are most welcome, not just today but every Sunday, and it our sincerest wish that you will return to worship with us again soon. Please do us the honor of taking a brief moment to fill out a Visitor Card, either by scanning the QR code to the right OR by filling out a physical card, which you will find in front of you in your pew. If you fill out a physical card, please place it in the alms basin when it passes or hand it to an usher or to one of the clergy as you leave today. And please join us for Fellowship Time immediately after this service.*



## Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

### Voluntary

Processional Hymn: Praise to the living God!

Hymnal 372

### Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355

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

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

### The Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord

God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;

glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you

— for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; — we will

praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to

you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -

ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

*Descant*

5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be -

5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of

depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_

you. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ Fa - ther,

— Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will

Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; \_\_\_\_\_ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you! \_\_\_\_\_

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

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## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Collect of the Kids & Invitation to Children's Chapel

*Children ages 4 to 5th grade are invited to the steps for a brief introduction to the day's liturgy or lessons. The children then depart for Children's Chapel, returning for the Eucharist.*

### First Lesson

**Genesis 21:8-21**

*Lector* A reading from the Book of Genesis.

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

### The Response

- <sup>1</sup> Bow down your ear, O Lord, and answer me, \*  
for I am poor and in misery.
- <sup>2</sup> Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; \*  
save your servant who puts his trust in you.
- <sup>3</sup> Be merciful to me, O Lord, for you are my God; \*  
I call upon you all the day long.
- <sup>4</sup> Gladden the soul of your servant, \*  
for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

### Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 *Inclina, Domine*

Robert Knox Kennedy  
(b. 1945)



<sup>5</sup> For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, \*  
and great is your love toward all who call upon you.

<sup>6</sup> Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer, \*  
and attend to the voice of my supplications.

<sup>7</sup> In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, \*  
for you will answer me.

<sup>8</sup> Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord, \*  
nor anything like your works.

<sup>9</sup> All nations you have made will come and worship you, O Lord, \*  
and glorify your Name.

<sup>10</sup> For you are great; you do wondrous things; \*  
and you alone are God.

<sup>16</sup> Turn to me and have mercy upon me; \*  
give your strength to your servant; and save the child of your handmaid.

<sup>17</sup> Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; \*  
because you, O Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

## Second Lesson

## Romans 6:1b-11

*Lector* A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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



1. Will you come and fol - low me if
2. Will you leave your self be - hind if
3. Will you let the blind - ed see if
4. Will you love the "You" you hide if
5. Christ, your sum-mons ech - oes true when



I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and  
 I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and  
 I but call your name? Will you set the pris - 'ner free and  
 I but call your name? Will you quell the fear in - side and  
 you but call my name. Let me turn and fol - low you and



nev - er be the same? Will you let my love be shown? Will you  
 nev - er be the same? Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your  
 nev - er be the same? Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do  
 nev - er be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to re -  
 nev - er be the same. In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your



let my Name be known? Will you let my life be grown in  
 life at - tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer prayer in  
 such as this un - seen? And ad - mit to what I mean in  
 shape the world a - round through my sight and touch and sound in  
 love and foot - steps show, thus I'll move and live and grow in



1. 2. 3. 4.  
 you and you in me?  
 you and you in me?  
 you and you in me?  
 you and you in me?

5. (Final Ending)  
 5. you and you in me.

<sup>1</sup> "Will you come and follow me," text John L. Bell and the Iona Community, © 1989 GIA Publications, Inc.; tune John L. Hooker, © John L. Hooker. "Children of the heavenly Father," text Carolina Sandell-Berg; tune Swedish folk melody, both Public Domain. "God of promise," Jonathan Dimmock, from Missa Appalachia © 2002 Jonathan Dimmock. OneLicense.net # A-741187.

## The Gospel

Matthew 10:24-39

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;  
and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon

The Rev. Marion Sprott

## The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

## The Prayers of the People <sup>2</sup>

*Intercessor* God, who made us in your infinite creativity, you have chosen the spectrum of the rainbow to be the sign of your blessing and protection.

*People* **We pray for your children in the rains of inequality and oppression, that they would see your blessing.**

*Intercessor* On this Pride Sunday, we remember those who have blazed the trail for LGBTQ+ equality and justice.

*People* **We pray for those who continue to fight for full equality under the law.**

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<sup>2</sup> sources: All Saints Church, Pasadena; concluding Collect adapted from The Rev. Kay Sylvester, St. Paul's, Tustin.

*Intercessor* We pray for those who continue to live under the threat of intimidation, oppression, or violence in our communities because of their sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or the color of their skin.

*People* **God of life, help us to see you in all forms of identity and expression.**

*Intercessor* We pray for LGBTQ+ children and youth who struggle with isolation and shame, who have no safe space to retreat to, or mentors who can teach and guide them through their journey of self-discovery.

*People* **Empower us to walk in the way of love, to welcome the excluded and care for the vulnerable, to work for justice, and rejoice in the spirit of life.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

*Celebrant* Creator God, Holy one, Maker of love and source of joy: we give you thanks for the infinite variety of your creation. We bless you that we are fearfully and wonderfully made, and that we are your beloved rainbow tribe. Grant us the courage to tell our truth, to honor ourselves, to love our neighbors, and to share your grace with a world aching for healing. We pray because of Jesus, who shows us the way. **Amen.**

**The Confession** BCP, p. 360

**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 Absolution** BCP, p. 360

**The Peace** BCP, p. 360

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

**Welcome and Announcements**

### **Today's Altar Flowers**

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Dennis in thanksgiving for their grandchildren, Hunter Powell, Lindsey Powell, and Jakob Dennis, and by Phyllis Vail in loving memory of her husband, Eugene Vail.*

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Open your phone's camera, point the camera at the square, and tap the screen.*





## The Holy Communion

### Offertory Anthem: All are welcome

Marty Haugen

*Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace, here the love of Christ shall end division: All are welcome in this place.*

*Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: All are welcome in this place.*

*Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine, and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space, as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: All are welcome in this place.*

*Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: All are welcome in this place.*

*Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: All are welcome in this place.*

### Presentation Hymn: Doxology

Hymnal 380, verse 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.

### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP, p. 367

*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 our God.

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

*Celebrant* ...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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,\_\_\_\_  
 Heaven and earth\_\_\_\_are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in\_\_\_\_the high - est.  
 Bless - ed\_\_\_\_is he who comes in the name of the Lord.\_\_\_\_Ho -  
 san - na in\_\_\_\_the high - est.\_\_\_\_Ho - san - na in\_\_\_\_the high - est.

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues on p. 368 in the Book of Common Prayer*

*Celebrant* ...Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*All* **We remember his death,  
 We proclaim his resurrection,  
 We await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant* ...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.

*All* **AMEN.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

BCP, p. 364

**The Breaking of the Bread**

BCP, p. 364

**The Fraction Anthem: God of promise**

*Enriching Our Music* 1 31

Cantor  
 God of pro - mise, you have pre-pared a ban - quet for us.  
 All  
 Hap - py are those who are called to the Sup-per of the Lamb.

## Invitation and Communion

**All are invited to come forward during the sharing of Holy Communion.**

**Where can I go to receive bread and wine by drinking from the common cup?** *Please come to the left side (lectern side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs in the sacristy.*

**Where can I go to receive bread and wine by intinction (having a minister dip the host in wine and place it in your hand)?** *Please come to the right side (pulpit side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs by the baptismal font.*

**Where can I go to receive only the bread?** *Please come to either location and tell the server "only bread."*

**Where can I go to receive gluten-free bread?** *Please come to either location and ask for gluten free.*

**Where can I go to receive a blessing?** *Please come to either location and cross your arms over your chest.*

**How can I ask for communion to be brought to me?** *Please ask an usher to receive by intinction in your seat.*

**Communion Hymn: Surely it is God who saves me**

Hymnal 679

**Communion Hymn: Children of the heavenly Father**

*Lift Every Voice and Sing* 213

1. Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly in His bos - om gath - er;  
2. God His own doth tend and nour - ish, In His ho - ly courts they flour - ish;  
3. Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the Lord His child - ren sev - er;  
4. Praise the Lord in joy - ful num - bers, Your pro - tect - or nev - er slum - bers;  
5. Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;

1. Nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en, Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
2. From all e - vil things He spares them, In His might - y arms He bears them.  
3. Un - to them His grace He show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.  
4. At the will of your de - fend - er Ev - ery per - son must sur - ren - der.  
5. His the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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## Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

**Celebrant** In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**People** **Because we who are many are one body in Christ. We share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

## Post Communion Prayer

BCP, p. 365

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **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.**

## The Blessing

*Celebrant* 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, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn:** Christ for the world we sing!

Hymnal 537

## The Dismissal

BCP, p. 366

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

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

## Voluntary

### Serving Today

Ushers Gena and Will Cherry  
Verger David Roten  
Acolytes Ali Cherry, Ella Grayce Cherry, and Libby Boyne  
Lectors Grace Sved and Ian Finley  
Intercessor & Chalice Ian Finley  
Sound & Livestream Craig DeShong and Sam DeShong  
Volunteers

### This Week's Prayer List

*Roy Wright, Carolyn Owens, Janet Gilliam, Ralph Sanders, Pete Taylor, Janet Watrous, Martha Bailey, Peggy Hawks, Ginny Byrd, Mitchell Lawrence, Jim Spodatto, Douglas Warden, Josephine Gallo-Caldero, Marion Harmon, Lori Spencer, Peggy Fee, Betsy Cheshire, William Short, James Mattox, Will Barbee, William Caldwell, Gail Heyer, Rosemary Krieger, Magen Colgan, Phil Kirk, Martha Hays, Rose Hoppe, Richard Netherby, Darrell Dennis, Kathryn Almeida, Joseph Henry, Shirley Sullivan, Ed Cragg, Kris Lavalla, Catherine and Bob Williams, Fran and Paul Hoch, George Rhodenhiser and Family, Olivia Adams and Family, Elizabeth Alexander and Family, Debbie and J.D. Harrod, Gary B., Jonathan, Jeffrey, Candy, The Carpenter Family, The Nobles Family, The Prentice Family, The Morgan Family, and The Drew Elliot Family.*