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## Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 6, 2025 **10:00 AM** 

**To Visitors and Newcomers:** Hello and welcome to St. Thomas. We're glad you're here! Children of all ages are welcome. At the rear of the church there are rocking chairs for use if needed. Also, there is a staffed nursery where children to age 4 may stay for all, or part of the service. To help us get to know you, please fill out a Welcome Card you will find in the Pew. Please come to the parish hall after the service for coffee and fellowship. We invite you to be part of the St. Thomas Church Community!

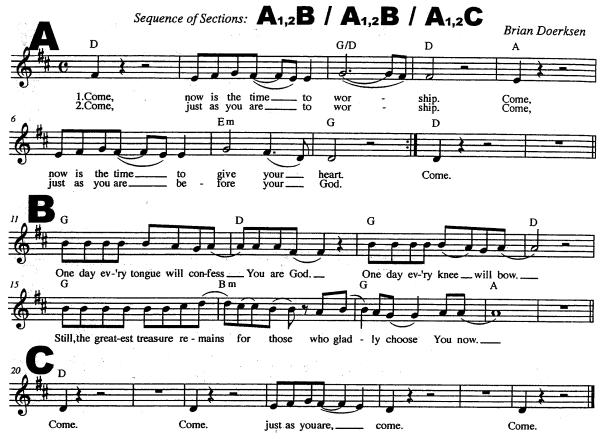


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#### **PRELUDE**

**PROCESSIONAL** 

Come, Now is the Time to Worship



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

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

Celebrant 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.

#### **GLORIA**

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.

Celebrant The Lord be with you,

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### **LESSON:** Isaiah 66:10-14

Thus says the Lord: "Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her-- that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies."

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

#### **PSALM 66:1-8**

- 1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; sing the glory of his Name; sing the glory of his praise.
- 2 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
- 3 All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your Name."
- 4 Come now and see the works of God, how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.
- 5 He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in him.
- 6 In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; let no rebel rise up against him.
- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, and will not allow our feet to slip.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

#### **EPISTLE:** Galatians 6:1-16

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads. Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-- only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves

obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God. THE GRADUAL Holy Ground verses 1-2 before gospel 3 after Words and Music by **Christopher Beatty** VERSE Ab/Eb ΕÞ 1. This 1y We're ground; stand ground, ing 2. These are ho 1y hands: He's giv us ho hands. en 3. These are ly lips; He's giv en us ly. lips. Εb Aþ  $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{p}}$ ВЫ7 Fm7 the pres - ent and where He ho - ly. This for Lord is He works through these hands these hands are ho - ly. These are and so He speaks through these lips and these lips are ho - ly. These are Εþ Ab/Eb Εb ho - ly ground; We're stand - ing on ho - ly ground, the is for Lord pres - ent and ho - ly hands; He's giv - en us ho - ly hands. He works through these hands and ho - ly lips; He's giv en us ho - ly lips. He speaks through these lips, and Bb7sus В•7 Ab/Eb E٢ Fm He where is is ho so these hands are ho lips these ho so are

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#### **GOSPEL:**

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Celebrant

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Continue to Verse 3 of Holy Ground

# THE SERMON THE NICENE CREED

Fr. Andy Cruz Lillegard BCP pg. 358

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 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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

## All Hear our prayer.

Deacon

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy

## Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All 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.

## **ABSOLUTION**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** 

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **OFFERTORY**

## O Day of Peace

Hymnal #597

- 1 O day of peace that dimly shines through all our hopes and prayers and dreams, guide us to justice, truth, and love, delivered from our selfish schemes.

  May swords of hate fall from our hands, our hearts from envy find release, till by God's grace our warring world shall see Christ's promised reign of peace.
- 2 Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the fierce devour the small; as beasts and cattle calmly graze, a little child shall lead them all.

  Then enemies shall learn to love, all creatures find their true accord; the hope of peace shall be fulfilled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

Please rise as you are able, as the offering is brought forward

#### **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP pg. 361

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 It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where 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 for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

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.

Please stand or kneel as you are able

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. 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 say,

All
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.

#### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **People** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

#### PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant 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.

We invite all baptized Christians to receive communion with us. If you would like to receive a Gluten Free Wafer, please let the celebrant know when you come up. Prayer ministers are available in the chapel during communion.

#### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

- 1 O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain; for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
  America! America!
  God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.
- 2 O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
  America! America!
  God mend thine every flaw, confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

## America Hymnal #719

3 O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears! America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.

#### Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!

- 2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. [Refrain]
- 3 And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin. [Refrain]
- 4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

  Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" [Refrain]

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

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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.

#### **BLESSING**

Celebrant The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in 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 upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen** 



#### **DISMISSAL**

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power or the spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** Instrumental

1 Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmonies of liberty.

Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies; let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us; facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on, till victory is won.

2 Stony the road we trod,
bitter the chastening rod,
felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
yet, with a steady beat,
have not our weary feet
come to the place for which our parents sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears have been watered;
we have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
out from the gloomy past,
till now we stand at last
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

3 God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light;
keep us for ever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;
shadowed beneath thy hand
may we for ever stand,
true to our God, true to our native land.

The following anniversaries of members of our Parish Family will be remembered. Sunday, July 6, 2025 to Saturday, July 12, 2025

#### **Birthdays**

- 7 Barbra Hampton Genevieve Pell
- 8 Robyne Plitt
- 9 Braydee Byram

#### **Wedding Anniversaries**

6 Robert and Lynne Keller

10 Chris & Keri Walker

David & Allison Preston

12 Bruce & Mary Ann Rose

#### **Faithful Departed**

- 6 Patricia Powers
- 7 Gerald Hovind
- 8 Grace Okkerse
- 10 Susan Harrison
- 12 Daisy Trilling

#### **Mission Partners**

Double Portion with Calvary Bible Church/

St. Patrick's Church

Betsy Hake – Honduras

Mothers' Mercy Home – Kenya

#### **Mission Payer Links**

African Medical Mission

Boy Scouts Troop 3

Cub Scouts Pack 3003

Carmen & Rosa and the San Lucas UCC

Chicago

Gideon Bible Distribution Ministry

Fr. Ian/Polly Montgomery – (SAMS)

#### Serving in the Military

Auston Allen – Air Force

Kyle Cooper – Army National Guard

James Kopczynski – Army National Guard

Bruce McRae - Army Reserve

Andrew Shaffer - Army

Mark Sopkiw, Jr. - Army

Matthew Verich - Navy

KaDee Peterson - Navy Reserves

#### **Deployed**

Humberto Puga - Navy

In the wider **Anglican Communion** Cycle of Prayer we pray for Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola. In the **Diocesan** Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Luke's Sister Bay; St. Peter's, West Allis. In the **St. Thomas** cycle of prayer we pray for Adult Development including Adult Education, Bible studies, Cursillo, Men and Women's Ministry and Welcome/Hospitality including Coffee Hour, Fellowship Camp, Senior Lunch, Welcome Ministers, and St. Martha's Guild.

**Flowers on the High Altar** are given to the greater glory of God and in loving memory of Donald Kieper, "To a wonderful dad and a special man. Gone but NEVER forgotten." Love your bookends. Debbie Paveletzke and Julie Van Eperen.

Lay Ministry	Today	Next Week		
Acolytes:	Lydia Barry	Julie Spanbauer		
		Tom Heegeman		
Eucharistic Team:	Sandie Umland	Carol Hert		
	Dan Werbeckes	Bill Barry		
Prayer Ministry Team:	Val Phillip	Anne Peterson		
	Fr. John Peterson	Fr. John Peterson		
Reader:	Karen Powers	Genevieve Pell		
Ushers:	Dan and Jeann Werbeckes	Dennis Hackbarth/ Jon Phillip		
Preacher:	Fr. Andy Cruz Lillegard	Fr. Andy Cruz Lillegard		
Verger:	Martina Mims	Martina Mims		
Altar Guild:	Barb Barry, Peggy Langkau,	Joanne Siracusa, Sherry Morton,		
	Nancy Dombeck	Kathy Peterson		
Vestry Announcements:	8am Martina Mims	8am Martina Mims		
•	<b>10am</b> Jill Beverlin	10am Mary Danner		

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