



**Mary of Magdala, ECC— July 6, 2025**  
**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT: The Reign of God – All Together Everywhere**  
**Reverend Jane Reina Presiding**

**Welcome and Announcements** Lector Ralph Dorland

**Social Justice Reflection** Tom Moo

**Entrance Song** Our God is Here (V1, R; V2, R)

**Greeting**

Welcome to our Mass on the 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. We are almost half-way through the liturgical year; it seems like only yesterday that we celebrated Easter. We live in an age of struggle between spiritual awakening and death-dealing chaos. So I ask you to join me in recalling what the Reign of God can have in our world now through us.

Let us continue in yearning and in wonderment as one expression of God's presence: +In the name of the Creating Mystery, our Cosmic Christ, and the Holy Spirit, Sophia. **All: Amen.**

**Penitential Rite** Rev. Jane

Recognizing God's unconditional love for us, we humbly pray:



**All: Together, we turn back to you, O Christ, knowing you welcome us even in the midst of our turning, just by our intention to turn. Bless us with an *experience of you as we turn with honest prayer, deep longing and open hearts. We come in fragility and vulnerability to know you, love you, and do your will. Amen.***

Rev. Jane: Jesus our Christ, you, yourself are the Sacrament of the Incarnate God, feeding us and teaching us so that we can look to the past and see your ever faithful presence, and to a future for the fullness, the wholeness of life. You are our hope in the present. Grant us the blessings of ethical resolve for our world full of error, pain and grief. When we recognize that we are captured by the illusion of safety, and still need to stand up for the stranger, the widow and the orphan, we humbly return to you and are forgiven.

**All: Jesus, give us the Wisdom of Grace.**

Christ, you are the life force in all creation. Help us turn again, together, to you when in our weakness we live as if we are self-sustaining and forget you.

**All: Christ, give us the Wisdom of Grace.**

Profound and Abundant Love, we are a community of pilgrims stumbling along your Way of deep relationship. Help us to see ourselves through your eyes. By



your grace may we grow more deeply in love with you, then we might know, ‘the reign of God has drawn near,’ even maybe, ‘within.’ For this Wisdom of Grace, we give you thanks.       **All: Amen.**

Let us lift our voices in praise and glory of God!

**Glory to God**    Mass of St Mary Magdalene

**Opening Prayer**    Let us pray:

God of Love, we hunger for your Word. We hunger for your Grace. Give us the Grace to hear your Word that frees us to do what is right action. Give us the Grace to find our true selves in you, so we may radiate your Love. Speak to us, for we are among the 72 who are sent.    **All: Amen**

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Please be seated as the Word of God speaks to us.

**First Reading**    A reading from **Writings in a Time of War** by Pierre Teilhard de Chardin in **The Not-Yet-God** by Ilia Delio

Lector Ralph Dorland

In the midst of World War I, de Chardin, serving on the front lines of the French army as medic, searching for the All, writes:



“I allowed my consciousness to sweep back to the farthest limit of my body, to ascertain whether I might not extend outside myself. I stepped down into the most hidden depths of my being, lamp in hand and ears alert, to discover whether in the deep recesses of the blackness within me, I might not see the glint of the waters of the current that flows on, whether I might not hear the murmur of their mysterious waters that rise from the uttermost depths and will burst forth no [one] knows where. With terror and intoxicating emotion, I realized that my own poor trifling existence was one with the immensity of all that is and all that is still in the process of becoming.”

The Word of a modern-day mystic.     **All: Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm**     Psalm 131     Lector Ralph Dorland

**Our response to the Psalm is:** Our hearts are not proud.

**All: Our hearts are not proud.**

O God, my heart is not proud.

My eyes are not raised too high.

I do not busy myself with matters too great for me,

difficulties beyond my compass.

**All: Our hearts are not proud.**



I have calmed and quieted my soul,  
like a weaned child with its mother.  
My soul within me is like a weaned child.

**All: Our hearts are not proud.**

O people of God, have hope,  
from this time on and forevermore.

**All: Our hearts are not proud.**

**Second Reading Galatians 6:2,9,14-16,18**

Lector Art Bavoso

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Galatians:

I urge you to carry each other's burdens. In this way, you fulfill the law of Christ. Let us not grow weary in doing what is right. If we do not give up, we will reap at harvest time.

May I never boast of anything except the cross of Jesus the Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor un-circumcision means anything. Everything is a new creation!



Peace and compassion to all those who follow this law of freedom—in this new community of God's people.

Beloved, may the grace of Jesus the Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

Listen to the Spirit speaking to God's people.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation Alleluia** (MoSMM) Verse 3

**Gospel** Luke 10: 1-12

Christ is within you all. **All: And also within you.**

A reading of the Holy Gospel attributed to Luke. **All: Glory to you, O God.**

Jesus appointed seventy-two of his disciples and sent them ahead in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit on his way to Jerusalem. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the head of the harvest, therefore, to send out laborers into the harvest!" "Go! I am sending you out as lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one along the way. Whatever house you enter, say, "Peace to this house!" If the people live peaceably there, your peace will rest on them. If not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same



house, eating and drinking what they give you, for workers deserve their wages. Don't keep moving from house to house.

“When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. Heal those who are sick in that town. Tell them, ‘The reign of God has drawn near to you.’ But if you go into a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say, ‘We shake the dust of this town from our feet as a witness against you. But be sure of this: the reign of God has drawn near.’ On that day, the fate of Sodom will be less severe than that of such a town.”

The Good News of Jesus, our Christ.

**All: Praise to You, Jesus, our Christ.**

**Homily** Pastor Jane

**Prayers of the People**

You, Holy One, who are here, you know our needs even before we know them.

Lector Art Bavoso

Our response to our prayers today is... Loving God, hear our prayers.

**All: Loving God, hear our prayers.**



For the leaders of our nation, that they will respond to the needs of our country and its peoples in their decision-making and voting, we implore...

**All: Loving God, hear our prayers.**

As we commemorate the Birth of our Nation, may we find ourselves reminded that we belong to one another. Neighbors...Strangers...Friends... All wrapped up together in a web of beautiful, terrible inter-dependence, we implore...

**All: Loving God, hear our prayers.**

For the sick, the suffering, the lost, and the abandoned, as we pray for liberty, freedom, and love for all, we implore...

**All: Loving God, hear our prayers.**

For the prayers from those in the sanctuary...we implore,

**All: Loving God, hear our prayers.**

Are there prayers of those joining us on zoom?...we implore,

**All: Loving God, hear our prayers.**

For all the people on our prayer lists and the prayers we hold in our hearts, we implore... **All: Loving God, hear our prayers.**



**Rev. Jane...** O Compassionate God, hear our prayers to heal, to put an end to violence, and to love one another as you love.

May our heartfelt prayers praise and glorify you. **All: Amen.**

### **The Peace**

Jesus said to his disciples, “Peace be with you. My peace I give you.” May the peace of Christ, not of this world, be with you always. **All: And also with you.**

Please turn and share a sign of peace with our siblings here virtually and then turn to share with one another.

### **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

As we prepare our tables with the food we have, here and at home, we are reminded that our offerings of time, talent, and treasure, sustain the mission of God’s church. Please continue to give as you are called and able.

Let us sing together.

**Offertory Song** Christ in Me Arise (R; V1, R; V2, R)

Procession of the bread and wine by Eucharistic Ministers

**Preparation of the Gifts** (*During Offertory Song*) Blessed are you, God of all Creation, through your goodness we have this bread and wine. All creation



originated as star dust and now star dust has evolved into wheat and grapes grown from the earth. From the fruit of the earth, our hands have made bread and wine. May this bread and wine become for us the sacred nourishment we seek.

**All: Blessed be God forever.**

By the mystery of this water and wine, we share in the divinity of Christ, who graced us by sharing in our humanity. **All: Blessed be God forever.** (*Wash hands.*)

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

Rev. Jane: Pray, my siblings, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God.

**All: May God accept the sacrifice at our hands, for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good and the good of all God's Creation.**

Christ is within You.

**All: And also within You.**

Let us open our hearts.

**All: We open our hearts to God.**

Let us give thanks to our Loving God.

**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Rev. Jane: Amma/Abba God, loving source and destiny of all life, we praise you and thank you through Jesus our Christ. Jesus, you bring us peace not of this world, as we act justly through the Reign of God.

Through self-emptying love, Jesus transforms our swords into plowshares, our hostility into reconciliation, our alienation into community, and our hatred into



forgiveness of our enemies. The Holy Spirit opens our hearts to this transformation. For this and many more gifts, we never cease to thank and praise you. We join with the choirs of the cosmos as we sing for ever to your glory:

**Holy, Holy, Holy** (MoSMM))

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

Blessed are you, compassionate and faithful God. Our hearts naturally sing your praise. With loving tenderness, you have gathered us, your people, and filled us with a longing for peace that would last and for justice that would never fail.

Through countless generations, your people hungered for the bread of freedom.

From them, you raised up Jesus, the living Bread, in whom ancient hungers were satisfied. Jesus the Christ is the Word who brings liberation from injustice and violence. Jesus the Christ is the hand you, O Mystery of Love, stretch out to the sick, the poor, and the oppressed. Jesus the Christ is the Way that leads us to peace. (PAUSE)

Flowing from the Exquisite Love visible and invisible throughout the entire cosmos, send your Holy Spirit to heal our lives and to make holy these gifts of bread and wine ++, that they may become the Body and Blood of Jesus our Christ.



While he was at supper on the night before he died, He took bread and gave you thanks. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

**All: Take this all of you, and eat it: This is my body, which will be given up for you.**

At the end of the meal, he took the cup. Again, he praised you for your goodness, gave the cup to his disciples, said:

**All: Take this, all of you, and drink from it: This is the cup of my Blood, the Blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.**

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Memorial Acclamation** (MoSMM))

Loving God, with gratitude we remember the passion of Jesus, his suffering at the hands of a broken humanity filled with violence and enmity. He endured all this with a love free of retaliation, revenge and retribution. He died loving his enemies and forgiving his prosecutors. Together then with people of every faith and no faith, we remember that LOVE is our salvation, not our possession.



Remember, O Christ, those who have died (pause so that people may pray silently) and welcome them into your all-embracing love, where you gather all people into yourself.

Setting our wills and words aside, emptying our hearts and bringing nothing in our hands, we yearn to unite with the love Christ offers our world as together now we say,

**All: Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, life-giving God, now and forever.**

**Great Amen** (MoSMM))

### **The Prayer of Jesus**

Please turn to the camera and let us join our hearts together as we pray the words that Jesus gave us...

**All: Abba/Amma, God ... (see screen) ... forever and ever. Amen.**

**The Shared Table** (Instrumental song while bread is broken.)

This is the Living God. This is the one who transforms us and our world. Blessed are we who are called out of ourselves and into this Love.

**All: Jesus, I am ready to receive you and by your invitation I am here.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

As we rejoice in our coming together in this transforming energy, let us affirm:



**All: In this, we are a Eucharistic people, the Body of Christ incarnate, the Blood of Christ poured out for the life of the world.**

Whether sharing this meal here or at home, all are called to consume what heals us.

All are welcome to this feast of unrestricted and unconditional Love.

*(remind about gluten-free hosts)*

**Communion Song**      Here I Am Lord    (V1, R; V2, R)

**Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray... Christ of all life, we thank you for your gifts of the Bread of Peace and the Cup of Blessing. We look forward to the day when hope becomes reality: when our swords are melted into plowshares and "...no harm is done along the Holy Mountain."      **All: Amen**

**Blessing for Dori Healy and Jim Berry**

**All: Gracious and Loving God, we raise our hands and hearts to bless Dori and Jim as they continue the journey of discernment toward ordained ministry with Mary of Magdala. Enliven them with clarity of vision and insight, and guide them to willingly accept what unfolds for them. May our blessing help sustain their journey in Christ. May it be so.**



## **Concluding Rite and Dismissal**

The peace of our God is within you. **All: And also within you.**

Let us open our hearts and receive God's blessing...

May the Mystery of Love bless you to abide in your own agency and by your own conscience as a priestly people.

In the name of +Amma/Abba God, Jesus the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, Sophia.

**All: Amen.**

**Dismissal:** Go now out into the world, seeing Christ everywhere.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Closing Song**     Go Out, Go Out (Rx2; V1, Rx2; V2, Rx2)