Sunday, July 6, 2025 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

<u>Prayer of the Day:</u> God of glory, Father of love, peace comes from You alone. Send us as peacemakers and witnesses to Your Kingdom and fill our hearts with joy in Your promises of salvation; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Isaiah 66:10-14

"Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; 11 that you may nurse and be satisfied with her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance." 12 For thus says the LORD: "Behold, I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees. 13 As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. 14 You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; the hand of the LORD shall be known to his servants, and he shall show his indignation against his enemies.

<u>Psalm 66:1-7</u> (read responsively, congregation reads the bold verses)

- P. Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
- C. sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!
- P. Say to God, "How awesome are thy deeds! So great is thy power that thy enemies cringe before thee.
- C. All the earth worships thee; they sing praises to you, sing praises to thy name." Selah
- P. Come and see what God has done: he is terrible in his deeds among men.
- C. He turned the sea into dry land; men passed through the river on foot. There did we rejoice in him,
- P. who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations— let not the rebellious exalt themselves. *Selah*

Second Lesson: Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. 3 For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. 4 But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. 5 For each man will have to bear his own load.

6 Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. 7 Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. 8 For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. 9 And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. 10 So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

14 But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. 15 For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. 16 And for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them and upon the Israel of God. 17 From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. 18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 10:1-20

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. 2 And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. 3 Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. 4 Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. 5 Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' 6 And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. 7 And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. 8 Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. 9 Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10 But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, 11 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' 12 I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

13 "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. 14 But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. 15 And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades. 16 "The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

17 The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" 18 And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. 19 Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. 20 Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Next Sunday's readings: Leviticus 18:1-5 & 19:9-18; Psalm 41; Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

July 5/6 Traditional: 5:30pm & 8:30am		
Call to Worship (8:30am)	Southside Singers	Find Us Faithful
Gathering Hymn	ATTACHED	God Is Here
Hymn of the Day	ATTACHED	Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling
Communion Hymns	Red Hymnal 321	When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
	Red Hymnal 750	Peace like a River
Sending Hymn	Green Hymnal 343	Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer
July 6 Contemporary: 10:30am		
Call to Worship	Band	We Are an Offering
Gathering Hymn	ATTACHED	God Is Here
Communion Hymns	Red Hymnal 321	When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
	Red Hymnal 750	Peace like a River
	Red Hymnal 744	Joy of My Desire
Hymn of the Day	ATTACHED	Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling
Sending Hymn	Green Hymnal 343	Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer



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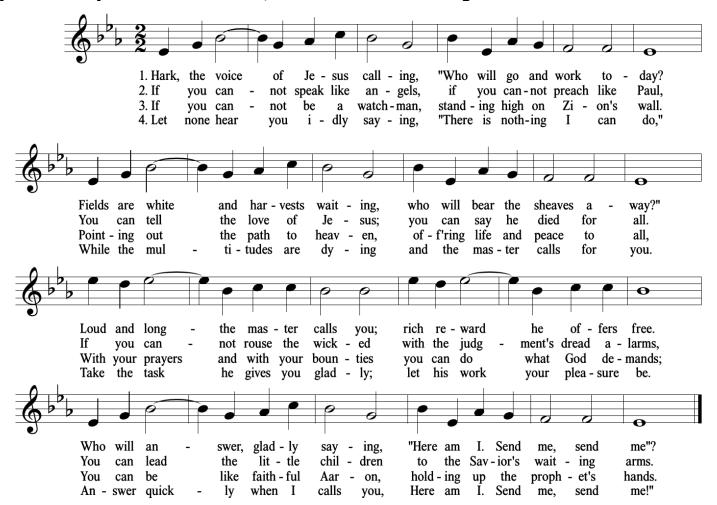
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Hymn of the Day

Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling



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