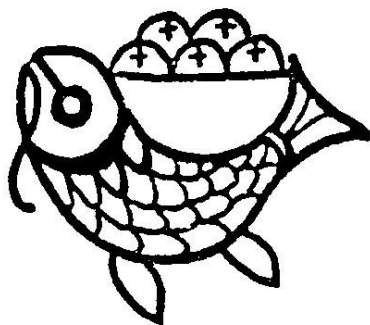


# The Seventh Sunday After Pentecost



July 26, 2025 • 5 pm & July 27, 2025 • 10 am


## **WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!**

Our mission is to be a Christian community of all ages  
grounded in worship, well-being and service.

We hope you will experience God's own welcome here and return again and again.

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## NOTES ABOUT WORSHIP AT ST. MARY'S

- If you are our guest today, please complete a welcome card and put it in the offering plate or give it to the greeter. This will give us a chance to learn your name welcome you more personally.
  - It is our pleasure to welcome children and their parents at all services. We understand that children's energy and voices are gifts they may share during worship. That is how God made them and we are grateful they are worshiping with us. Feel free to step out and step back in as needed. Sitting as close to the front as possible helps them to see.
  - If you have need, restrooms are accessible on both levels of the parish house.
  - Text written in **bold** in this bulletin is to be spoken by all. When printed, the ✠ indicates an appropriate time to make the sign of the cross.
  - All Christians are invited to the Holy Table to receive communion. If it is difficult for you to walk, please notify a greeter, and we will bring communion to you. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward for a blessing. If you are interested in Holy Baptism, please speak with our rector, Jennifer. We welcome the opportunity to prepare people of all ages for baptism.
-  We have a hearing loop system to assist with hearing during worship. Please ask a greeter if you would like to use a receiver with headphone, or you may prefer to use your own ear buds. If you have hearing aids with the T-coil function, adjust to that setting.
- Music Notes:  
Our music books for worship include Wonder Love and Praise, WLP & The Hymnal 1982. Both can be found in the pew. Additional music can be found in the bulletin.

# The Holy Eucharist

## Welcome and Announcements

**Opening Hymn:** Praise my soul the King of heaven Hymnal 1982, 410

## Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God

*People* **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

## Song of Praise:

## Our God is Here

C. Muglia



Verses

1. ♫ Here in this time, here in this place,  
2. ♫ Here in the Word, God is re-vealed,

1. *En es-te mo-men - to y en es-te lu-gar,*  
2. ♫ *En su pa-la - bra Dios se re-ve - la,*



1. here we are stand - ing face to face.  
2. here where the wound - ed can be healed.

1. *Dios nos in - vi - ta a con - tem - plar.*  
2. *nos da el a - mor que nos con - sue - la.*



1. Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.  
2. Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.

1. *En nues-tras vi - das, en el co-ra-zón: Dios es-tá a-quí.*  
2. *En nues-tras vi - das, en el co-ra-zón: Dios es-tá a-quí.*



1. ♫ Here for the bro - ken, here for the strong,  
2. ♫ Here we be-come what we re - ceive,

1. *En la for-ta - le - za, y de - bi - li - dad*  
2. *En es - te ban-que - te nos con-ver - ti -*



1. here in this tem - ple we be - long.  
2. here in this Eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

1. *en es-te tem - plo de u - ni - dad,*  
2. *- mos: En lo que to - dos re - ci - bi - mos.*



1. Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.  
2. We are his bod - y, liv-ing as one; our God is here.

1. *en nues-tras vi - das, en el co-ra-zón: Dios es-tá a-quí.*  
2. *So-mos su cuer - po, u - ni-dos a él: Dios es-tá a-quí.*

Refrain

And we cry: "Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly are you!" We cry:  
*Cla-ma-mos: ¡San - to, San - to, San-to e - res tú! Cla-ma-mos.*

"Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly and true!" A-men, we do be-lieve  
*¡San-to, San-to, San-to e - res tú! A-mén, to - dos cre - e -*

our God is here. Our God is here.  
*- mos: Dios es-tá a-quí. Dios es-tá a-quí.*

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## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* God be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The People may be seated.*

**First Reading:** Genesis 18:20-32

The Lord said to Abraham, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

## Psalm 138

Jerome Webster Meachen (b. 1930)



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1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole **heart**\*  
before the gods I will sing your **praise**.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple  
and praise your **Name**, \*  
because of your love and **faithfulness**\*

3 For you have glorified your **Name** \*  
and your word above all **things**.\*

4 When I called, you answered **me**; \*  
you increased my strength within **me**.\*

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O **Lord**, \*  
when they have heard the words of your **mouth**.

6 They will sing of the ways of the **Lord**, \*  
that great is the glory of the **Lord**.\*

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7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the **lowly**; \*  
he perceives the haughty from **afar**.

8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me **safe**\*  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand shall **save me**.\*

*(Repeat 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the Psalm)*

9 The Lord will make good his purpose for **me**; \*  
O Lord, your love endures for ever;  
do not abandon the works of your **hands**.\*

## **Second Reading:** Colossians 2:6-15

As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you



were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

*All may stand for the Alleluia and Holy Gospel.*

**Gospel Alleluia**

**Mass of a Joyful Heart**

**S. Angrisano, T. Tomaszek**



1. Let your heart rejoice in the Lord.  
Let your word proclaim his deeds.  
Let your voice sing out to the world  
that our God has come to save.

2. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life;  
you have the words of everlasting life.

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## **Holy Gospel: Luke 11:1-13**

*Gospeller*      The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People*          **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come.  
Give us each day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our sins,  
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.  
And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

*Gospeller*      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*          **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon**

The Rev. Anne Gardener

*All may stand for the Nicene Creed*

**Nicene Creed**

**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.**

**Prayers of the People**

The leader will say, “Come, Holy Spirit,”

*Our response will be*

**Fill us with new life.**

## Confession

*Celebrant* Merciful God, we trust that you hear us when we pray. We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence*

*Celebrant and People*

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

*The celebrant, stands and says*

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

## Peace

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

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

*Greet one another with a sign of God's peace.*

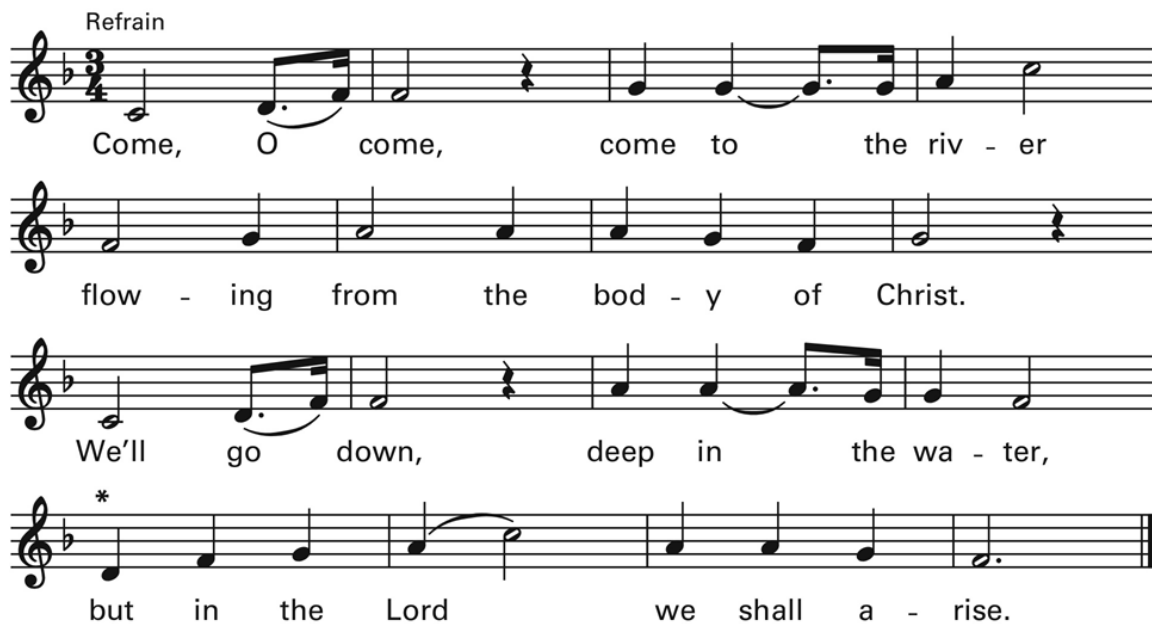
## HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn:

Come to the River

B. Hurd

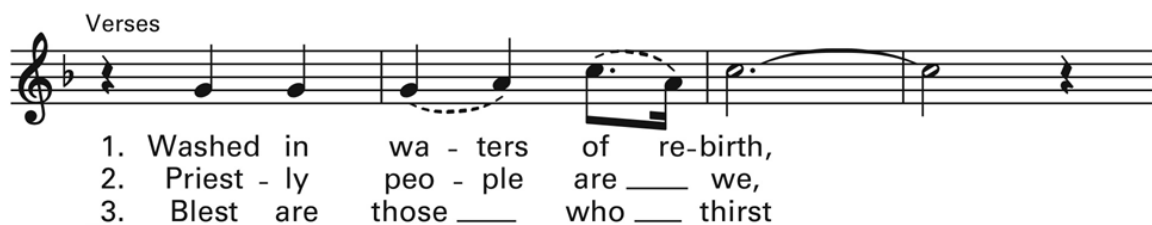
Refrain



Come, O come, come to the riv - er  
flow - ing from the bod - y of Christ.  
We'll go down, deep in the wa - ter,  
\*  
but in the Lord we shall a - rise.

The musical notation is for a single melodic line in G major (one flat) and 3/4 time. The Refrain consists of four lines of music. The first line has a half note 'C' on G4, a quarter note 'O' on A4, a quarter note 'come,' on B4, a half note 'come' on G4, a quarter note 'to' on F#4, a quarter note 'the' on E4, a quarter note 'riv -' on D4, and a half note 'er' on C4. The second line has a half note 'flow -' on D4, a quarter note 'ing' on E4, a quarter note 'from' on F#4, a quarter note 'the' on G4, a quarter note 'bod -' on A4, a quarter note 'y' on B4, a quarter note 'of' on G4, a quarter note 'Christ.' on F#4. The third line has a half note 'We'll' on G4, a quarter note 'go' on A4, a quarter note 'down,' on B4, a half note 'deep' on G4, a quarter note 'in' on F#4, a quarter note 'the' on E4, a quarter note 'wa -' on D4, and a half note 'ter,' on C4. The fourth line has a half note 'but' on D4, a quarter note 'in' on E4, a quarter note 'the' on F#4, a quarter note 'Lord' on G4, a half note 'we' on A4, a quarter note 'shall' on B4, a quarter note 'a -' on G4, and a half note 'rise.' on F#4. There is an asterisk above the first note of the fourth line.

Verses



1. Washed in wa - ters of re-birth,  
2. Priest - ly peo - ple are \_\_\_\_ we,  
3. Blest are those \_\_\_\_ who \_\_\_\_ thirst

The musical notation is for a single melodic line in G major (one flat) and 3/4 time. It consists of a single line of music with a half note on G4, a quarter note on A4, a quarter note on B4, a half note on G4, a quarter note on F#4, a quarter note on E4, a quarter note on D4, and a half note on C4. There is a dashed line under the first two notes (G4 and A4) and a solid line under the last two notes (F#4 and E4).

*If you would like to make an offering there is a plate at the rear of the church, or if electronically, please use the QR code below.*



*Please stand as the gifts are brought forward.*

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

*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 our thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues...*

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

**Sanctus and Benedictus**

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Hymnal 1982, S 130

*The Celebrant continues...*

*Celebrant* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*People* **Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues...*

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**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 Breaking of the Bread**     *A period of silence is kept.*

**Fraction**                                  Jesus, Lamb of God                                  Hymnal 1982, S 164

*Please come forward at the invitation: "The gifts of God for the people of God . . ."*

## Communion Hymn:

## Healing Waters

T. Thomson

Refrain

Heal-ing wa-ters, flow o-ver me.

Mer-cy's wa-ter, re-new-ing me.

Mer-cy's o-cean, trans-form-ing me.

Heal-ing wa-ter, re-new me.

Verses

1. Re-new my heart, O God, \_\_\_\_\_ come change my hard-ened heart,  
2. Wash me in wa-ters of love; \_\_\_\_\_ cleanse me and pur-i-fy me,

1. come fill my hard-ened heart with mer-cy. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. for on-ly you can cleanse me, Lord. \_\_\_\_\_

1. You are the wa-ter of life. \_\_\_\_\_ You are the breath of heav-en,  
2. Wash o-ver me, O Lord. \_\_\_\_\_ Re-fresh my thirst-y soul

1. come fill my hard-ened heart with mer-cy, Lord.  
2. for you a-lone can make me ho-ly, Lord.

to Refrain



## Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

## Blessing and Dismissal

*Celebrant* May God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

**Procession Hymn:**

Seek ye first

Hymnal 1982, 711

## **Liturgical Ministers**

**Altar Guild:** 5 pm & 10 am Lauren Lema, Crystal Hunter-Hadley

**Musicians:** 10 am Michael DiMucci

**Greeters:** 5 pm Murry Edwards, Jenny Williams  
10 am Lee Ferreira, Lisa Lyons

**Lector and Intercessor:** 5 pm David Burke  
10 am Lori Corbishley

**Crucifer/Server:** 5 pm David Ferkinhoff  
10 am Lauren Lema

**Audio Visual:** 10 am John Corbishley

**Lay Eucharistic Visitors:** Murry Edwards

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