

**The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost  
July 27, 2025**

**The Celebrant and Homilist:** The Very Rev. Canon Martini Shaw

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**Music Ministry:** St. Thomas Summer Music Ministry

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**Order of Service**

**The Prelude**

St. Thomas Music Ministry

**The Opening Hymn- “Have Your Way Lord”**

**1) Have your way Lord, have your way  
Have your way Lord, have your way  
Do what you want to do, as long as you want to  
Have your way Lord, have your way Lord  
We're here right now have your way  
We're here right now have your way**

**2) In this service, have your way  
In this service, have your way  
Do what you want to do, as long as you want to  
Have your way Lord, have your way Lord  
We're here right now have your way  
We're here right now have your way**

**A Word of Welcome**

The Celebrant

**The Opening Salutation**

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

**The People:** And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. AMEN.

**The Collect for Purity**

**Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 355**

**The 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.

**The Gloria in excelsis**

**The Celebrant and The People**

**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.**

### **The Proclamation of the Word**

#### **The Collect of the Day**

**The Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**The People:** And also, with you.

#### **The 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 First Reading: Hosea 1:2-10**

Carolyn Summers

##### **A Reading from the Book of Hosea.**

When the Lord first spoke through Hosea, the Lord said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the Lord." So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

And the Lord said to him, "Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel."

She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the Lord said to him, "Name her Lo-ruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the Lord their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen."

When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. Then the Lord said, "Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God."

Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God."

**The Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**The People:** Thanks be to God.

#### **Psalm 85**

Lee Anne Douglas Trotman

You have been gracious to your land, O LORD, \*  
**you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.**

You have forgiven the iniquity of your people \*  
**and blotted out all their sins.**

You have withdrawn all your fury \*  
**and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.**

Restore us then, O God our Savior; \*  
**let your anger depart from us.**

Will you be displeased with us for ever? \*  
**will you prolong your anger from age to age?**

Will you not give us life again, \*  
**that your people may rejoice in you?**

Show us your mercy, O LORD, \*  
**and grant us your salvation.**

I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, \*  
**for he is speaking peace to his faithful people  
and to those who turn their hearts to him.**

Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, \*  
**that his glory may dwell in our land.**

Mercy and truth have met together; \*  
**righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**

Truth shall spring up from the earth, \*  
**and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, \*  
**and our land will yield its increase.**

Righteousness shall go before him, \*  
**and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.**

**The Second Reading: Colossians 2:6-19**  
**A Reading from the Letter to the Colossians**

Justin Trotman

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.

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

**The Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**The People:** Thanks be to God.

**The Gradual Hymn—"No, Not One"**

**Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS)**

**#90 (vv. 1-3)**

**1) There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus, No, not one! No, not one!  
None else could heal all our soul's diseases, No, not one! No, not one!  
Jesus knows all about our struggles, He will guide till the day is done;  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus, No, not one! No, not one.**

**2) No friend like Him is so high and holy, No, not one! No, not one!  
And yet no friend is so meek and lowly, No, not one! No, not one!  
Jesus knows all about our struggles, He will guide till the day is done;  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus, No, not one! No, not one!**

**3) There's not an hour that He is not near us, No, not one! No, not one!  
No night so dark but His love can cheer us, No, not one! No, not one!  
Jesus knows all about our struggles, He will guide till the day is done;  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus, No, not one! No, not one!**

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

**Fr. Jay Collins**

**The Priest:** The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**The People:** Praise 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!"

**The Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Homily Hymn--“ No, Not One”**

**LEVAS # 90 (vv. 4-5)**

**4) Did ever saint find this Friend forsake Him? No, not one! No, not one!**

**Or sinner find that He would not take him? No, not one! No, not one!**

**Jesus knows all about our struggles, He will guide till the day is done;**

**There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus, No, not one! No, not one!**

**5) Was e'er a gift like the savior given? No, not one! No, not one!**

**Will he refuse us a home in heaven? No, not one! No, not one.**

**Jesus knows all about our struggles, He will guide till the day is done;**

**There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus, No, not one! No, not one!**

**The Homily**

Fr. Shaw

**The Call to Christian Discipleship**

The Celebrant

**The 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.**

### **The Prayers of the People**

Tyrone Keller

**Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
That we all may be one.**

**Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

**We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

**We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

**Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
That our works may find favor in your sight.**

**Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
That they may be delivered from their distress.**

**Give to the departed eternal rest;  
Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

**We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

**Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.**

### **The Concluding Collect**

The Celebrant

### **The Confession**

BCP 360

**The Celebrant:** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us kneel and confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (Silence is kept)

### **The Celebrant and The People:**

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and 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**

The Celebrant

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

**The People:** And also, with you.

### **The Holy Eucharist**

#### **The Offertory Sentence and Offering**

#### **The Offertory Selection**

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#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

**The Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**The People:** And also with you.

**The Celebrant:** Lift up your hearts.

**The People:** We lift them to the Lord.

**The Celebrant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. *(Celebrant adds a short Proper Preface)*

Therefore, we praise you, joining with Angels and Archangels and all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### **The Sanctus**

**The Celebrant and the People:**

**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.**

**The Celebrant:** 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:

**The Memorial Acclamation**

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

**The 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 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 your, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**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, forever and ever. AMEN.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

**The Celebrant:** Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed.

**The People:** Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

**The Agnus Dei**

**The Celebrant:** Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world.



**The People: Have mercy upon us.**

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**The Celebrant: Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world.**

**The People: Grant us thy peace.**

### **The Prayer of Humble Access**

**Let us pray: 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 our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. AMEN.**

**The 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.**

### **The Distribution of Communion**

#### **The Post-Communion Prayer**

**The Celebrant and the People:**

**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.**

#### **Sending Forth of the Lay Eucharistic Visitors**

**The Celebrant: In the healing name of Jesus and with the compassionate embrace of this parish family, I send you forth bearing these Holy Gifts to those to whom you go today, so that they may share with us in the Communion of Christ's Body and Blood.**

**The People: We who are many are one body, and we all share one bread and one cup.**

#### **The Announcements**

Richard Jones, Rector's Warden

#### **The Recognition of Visitors and Guests**

#### **The Blessing of Birthdays, Anniversaries and Travel**

#### **The Final Blessing**

The Celebrant

#### **The Closing Hymn- "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"**

LEVAS #136

**1) I have decided to follow Jesus. I have decided to follow Jesus.  
I have decided to follow Jesus. No turning back. No turning back.**

**2) Though no one join me, still I will follow.**

**Though no one join me, still I will follow.  
Though no one join me, still I will follow.  
No turning back. No turning back.**

**3) The world behind me, the cross before me.  
The world behind me, the cross before me.  
The world behind me, the cross before me.  
No turning back. No turning back.**

**The Dismissal  
The Postlude**

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