

Sunday, July 26, 2026, Pentecost 9 10:00 A.M.

We're so pleased that you've come to worship with us this morning. While this bulletin is a guide to the service if you are unfamiliar with the ritual customs of the Anglican Church, simply relax with the liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. After the service please join us for lunch.

(Congregational participation in **BOLD**)

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

HYMN: Maker, in Whom We Live
(Tune: CP378 Crown Him with Many Crowns)

1. Maker, in whom we live, in whom we are and move, the glory, power, and praise receive for your creating love. Let all the angel throng give thanks to God on high, while earth repeats the joyful song and echoes to the sky.

2. Incarnate Deity, let all the ransomed race render in thanks their lives to you for your redeeming grace. The grace to sinners showed you heavenly choirs proclaim, and cry, "Salvation to our God, salvation to the Lamb!"

3. Spirit of Holiness, let all your saints adore Your sacred energy, and bless your heart-renewing power. No angel tongues can tell your love's ecstatic height, the glorious joy unspeakable, the beatific sight.

4. Eternal, Triune God, let all the hosts above, let all on earth below record and dwell upon your love. When heaven and earth are fled before your glorious face, May all the saints your love has made sing everlasting praise.

Celebrant: The grace of God enfold you,
the grace of Christ be in you,
the grace of Spirit be with you.
People: And also with you.

Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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 Savior. Amen.

Collect
Scandalous God, you sow weeds among the crop,
raise bread with yeast,
offer treasure without price
and cast a net that catches good and bad:
throw down our idols of purity and possession,
so that you might reveal in us your wide-branching love;
through Jesus Christ, the stumbling block. **Amen.**

First Reading: Romans 8: 26-39
Reader: Oliver Jull
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
Thanks be to God

Second Reading: Psalm 119: 129-136
Reader: Oliver Jull
Your decrees are wonderful;
therefore I obey them with all my heart.
When your word goes forth it gives light;
it gives understanding to the simple.
I open my mouth and pant;
I long for your commandments.
Turn to me in mercy,
as you always do to those who love your Name.
Steady my footsteps in your word;
let no iniquity have dominion over me.
Rescue me from those who oppress me,
and I will keep your commandments.
Let your countenance shine upon your servant
and teach me your statutes.
My eyes shed streams of tears,
because people do not keep your law.
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PSALM HYMN # 441 Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower *(Blue Book)*

The Gospel Reading: (*standing*)
God be with you
And also with you
The Good News of Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ
The Gospel Reading: Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52
Reader: Deacon Elinor Smith
The Gospel of Christ
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon – *The Rev. Carolyn Herold*

The Prayers of the People – *Spencer Stevens*

Invitation and Peace

OFFERTORY HYMN # 53 God Who Spread the Boundless Prairies *(Red Book)*

Eucharistic Prayer
Celebrant: May God be with you
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts
People: We lift them to the Holy One
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to our loving God
People: It is right to offer thanks and praise

Celebrant: Thanks and praise…….
……. creation in the eternal hymn:

Hymn # 719 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord *(Blue Book)*
Holy, holy, holy, Lord
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: In the fullness of time, you gave us…….
……. All honour and glory are yours,

Hymn # 721 Amen, Amen, Amen (*Blue Book)*

The Lord's Prayer
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

The gifts of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God

Chant: Restore Our Faith, O Saving God
(See Insert)

THE COMMUNION

Small Group song: What is the World Like
by Adam Tice and Sally Ann Morris

The Prayer after Communion

Glory to God,
whose power working in us
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the church and in Christ Jesus
for ever and ever. Amen.

Announcements

HYMN # 169 When Hands Reach Out Beyond Divides (*Red Book*)

The Dismissal

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