

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD’S PRAYER (10:00)

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION (8:00) (Please see below to prepare.)

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PREPARATION FOR THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Because Holy Communion is an expression of our oneness in faith, we request that each person desiring to commune with us examine him/herself on the basis of these points of faith:

I believe that:

- + I am a sinner in need of God’s forgiveness.
- + Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from sin, Satan and death.
- + Jesus Christ is really present in the Sacrament, and
- + The bread and wine I receive are also the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.
- + All my sins are forgiven through this Sacrament.
- + As God enables me, I pledge to thank, praise, serve and obey Him.

Those who hold in common these teachings are invited to join us at the Lord’s Supper. If you are visiting us for the first time, or have questions or reservations about these points of faith, we invite you to speak with the Pastor before the service.

The lighter colored wine is non-alcoholic for those with special needs. Gluten-free wafers are also available on the small table as you approach the railing.

Hymns during Distribution — Please join in singing:

- “Thine Forever” #687
- Special Music #619
- “Thy Body Giv’n for Me, O Savior” #619

Nunc Dimittis p211

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THE BENEDICTION

THE CLOSING HYMN — “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer” #918

THE POSTLUDE

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The Third Sunday after Pentecost  
June 14, 2026

**WELCOME!** In the Old Testament reading today, Moses tells God’s people that they are called to be a priestly kingdom and a holy people. In the Holy Gospel reading, Jesus sends out the disciples as laborers into the harvest. In Holy Baptism we too are anointed for sharing God’s compassion with our needy world. We go forth from this gathering to praise and proclaim, learn and love, care and celebrate!

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THE PRESERVICE MUSIC AND PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE BELL AND PASTORAL GREETING

✠ THE PREPARATION ✠

THE OPENING HYMN – “Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion” vs. 1, 4-5 #559

THE INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (taken from D.S. IV—p 203)

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: Who made heaven and earth. Psalm 124:8

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared. Psalm 130:3-4

P: Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word and to call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

THE KYRIE AND GLORIA IN EXCELSIS p204

♪ Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

♪ To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus’ birth.  
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heavenly king!

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**To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior, you take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—**

**For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply!**

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

**✠ THE WORD ✠**

**THE OLD TESTAMENT READING — Exodus 19:2-8, ESV Pew Bibles, page 71**

*God assures Israel in this reading that they shall be His treasured possession, and then commissions them to serve as mediating priests for all the nations of the world. The people commit themselves completely to God's will.*

[The Israelites] set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, while Moses went up to God. The Lord called to him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: 'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. All the people answered together and said, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do." And Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord.

LECTOR: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**THE EPISTLE READING — Romans 5:6-15, ESV Pew Bibles, page 1120**

*In this reading, St. Paul reminds us that we are no longer God's enemies but have peace with God because we were brought into a right relationship with God through Christ's death.*

[St. Paul wrote:] For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

LECTOR: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**THE ALLELUIA**

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♪ **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL READING – Matthew 9:35-10:8, ESV Pew Bibles, page 968**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth and tenth chapters.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "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."

And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

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**THE SERMON HYMN – "God Loved the World So That He Gave" vs. 1-3**

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**THE SERMON**

**✠ THE RESPONSE ✠**

**THE HYMN OF RESPONSE – "God Loved the World So That He Gave" vs. 4-6**

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**THE SHARING OF THE PEACE AND TIME OF FELLOWSHIP**

**THE GATHERING OF OUR OFFERINGS-**

**"Spread the Reign of God the Lord"**

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