

Readings and Music for

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, July 19, 2026

Flowers donated by the Ryniak Family in memory of George Ryniak

Proclamation

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

H423

Collect of the Day

Celebrant

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Isaiah 44:6-8

A reading from the prophet Isaiah:

Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel,
and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts:

I am the first and I am the last;
besides me there is no god.

Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,
let them declare and set it forth before me.

Who has announced from of old the things to come?
Let them tell us what is yet to be.

Do not fear, or be afraid;
have I not told you from of old and declared it?
You are my witnesses!

Is there any god besides me?
There is no other rock; I know not one.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 86:11-17

We will read the Psalm responsively, with the people reading the verses in bold.

- 11 Teach me your way, O Lord,
and I will walk in your truth; *
knit my heart to you that I may fear your Name.
- 12 I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, *
and glorify your Name for evermore.**
- 13 For great is your love toward me; *
you have delivered me from the nethermost Pit.
- 14 The arrogant rise up against me, O God,
and a band of violent men seeks my life; *
they have not set you before their eyes.**
- 15 But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.
- 16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; *
give your strength to your servant;
and save the child of your handmaid.**
- 17 Show me a sign of your favor,
so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; *
because you, O Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans:

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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

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

Sequence

Sanctuary

Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc-tu - ar - y, pure and
 ho - ly, tried and true. With thanks - giv - ing,
 I'll be a liv - ing sanc-tu - ar - y for you.

TEXT: John Thompson and Randy Scruggs, 1982
 MUSIC: John Thompson and Randy Scruggs, 1982; arr. Nylea L. Butler-Moore

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Verse 2:

It is you, Lord
 Who came to save
 The heart and soul
 Of every man
 It is you Lord
 Who knows my weakness
 Who gives me strength,
 With thine own hand.

Verse 3:

Lead Me on Lord
 From temptation
 Purify me
 From within
 Fill my heart with
 Your holy spirit
 Take away
 All my sin

Gospel

Matthew 13:24-30,36-43

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore

grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Offertory Anthem

“In Labor All Creation Groans”

by Sister. Delores Hufner

*In labor all creation groans till fear and hatred cease,
Till human hearts come to believe: In Christ alone is peace.*

*In labor all creation groans till war and violence cease,
Till sword and beaten into plows and Christ will be our peace.*

*In labor all creation groans till prejudice shall cease,
Till every race and tribe and tongue in Christ will live in peace.*

*In labor all creation groans till rape and murder cease,
Till women walk by night unharmed and Christ is this world's peace.*

*In labor all creation groans till false divisions cease,
Till enemies are reconciled in Christ who is our peace.*

Communion

“One Bread, One Body”

L151

Recessional

“O Day of God, Draw Nigh”

H601

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE REMAIN ON OUR PERMANENT PRAYER LIST AS THEIR NEED FOR PRAYER IS LONG-TERM RATHER THAN ACUTE: Don, Roberta, Marilyn, Jim, Mary, Emily, Chelsea, Bob, Mark, Michael, John, Bob, Billy, Laura, Cindy, Pam, Katy, Lou, Nick, Brendan, Bob, Debra, Janet, Jacelyn, Sharon, Gabe, Chuck, Nancy, Mike, Tom, Betty, Carol, David, James, Kathy, Bill, John, Rosemary, Roberta, Earl, Patricia.

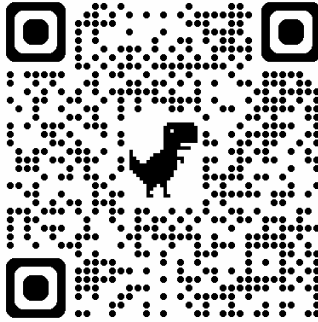
This week at Transfiguration:

<i>Today</i>	<i>Holy Eucharist</i>	<i>Church/FB</i>	<i>10:00am</i>
	<i>Coffee Hour</i>		

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Small Group Dinners** – Small Group Dinners are back! Sign up to enjoy a meal with 6–8 fellow parishioners at a local restaurant. The last small group dinner is this Saturday, **July 25th**. Groups and restaurants will be assigned one week prior to this date. Please contact Traci Dawodu with any questions.
- **Summer Faith Formation Series** - Join us for a discussion on some fascinating YouTube videos about church topics that span from the medieval to the recent and learn what newcomers to the Episcopal Church ask about when they visit one of our parishes. Sessions will be over Zoom from 6:00PM - 7:30PM on July 22, August 12, and August 26. You can sign up by emailing Jason Elliott at jasonagelliott@gmail.com or add your name to the sign-up sheet in the narthex at church. Even if you can't join all (or even any!) of the sessions, if you're interested in the subject, you're encouraged to add your name and get the links to the videos and Reddit discussions. The links will be sent out a few days before the first session. You can watch beforehand or wait till the Zoom session to experience them together.
- **Pedalpalooza** – Mark your calendars. On August 8th, we are hosting our second annual community festival and bike ride in memory of Barb Barnes. This event was a tremendous success last year, and we look forward to making it even better this year. There will be a 25 mile bike ride at 8:30AM and a 5 mile ride at 10AM. The festival itself will be from 10AM to 2PM and will feature crafts, games, balloon art, food trucks, and more. One of our big goals is to get the word out to the community about this event, so please, invite friends and neighbors. Lastly, we will need volunteers to help on the day of the event. If you are interested in helping, there is a sign-up sheet in the foyer.

Online Giving:



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Monday – Thursday 8:30AM to 2:30PM

Priest's Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 10Am to 3:00PM

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