



# THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE II

JUNE 14, 2026, 9:00AM

### **Christ Church Episcopal**

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*Sharing Christ's love in the world and creating a nurturing place for all.*



tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh." The LORD dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah as he had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Now Sarah said, "God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me." And she said, "Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

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

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

**Psalm 116:1, 10-17** *Read responsively by whole verse*

1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the  
voice of my supplication, \*  
because he has inclined his ear to me  
whenever I called upon him.

**10 How shall I repay the LORD \* for all the  
good things he has done for me?**

11 I will lift up the cup of salvation \*  
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

**12 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*  
in the presence of all his people.**

13 Precious in the sight of the LORD \*  
is the death of his servants.

**14 O LORD, I am your servant; \***

**I am your servant and the child of your  
handmaid; you have freed me from my  
bonds.**

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of  
thanksgiving \*  
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

**16 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*  
in the presence of all his people,**

17 In the courts of the LORD's house, \*  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
Hallelujah!

A Reading from Romans (5:1-8)

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

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

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

Hymnal 686

Come, thou fount of every blessing

Tune: *Nettleton*

*Gospeller:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23)

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

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. 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 ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town. "See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes."

*Gospeller:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Nicene Creed *all standing, as you are able*

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**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 – Form VI

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*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;  
**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation and the world.  
**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Sean, our presiding bishop; Julia, our bishop; and for all ministers;  
**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

**In our Parish Cycle of Prayer** we pray for George Arsenault, Chris Axner, Deborah Aylesworth, Michael Bassett, Julianne Bellows, Sam Bennett, Ennis Bragg, Ann Brown, The Carlin Family, F. T. Clark, Sam Cohen, Beau Coursen, Sidney Coursen, Laura DeCaprio, Steve and Solange Foster, Wendy Fournier, Amelia Goodfield, Betty Hadfield, Shelley Hamm, Nancy Hardiman, Pat Hart, Paul Horvath, Donna Jacobs, Randy Joiner, Bradley Jugler, Cindy Jugler, Pat MacKinnon, Paul Madonna, Cliff Manchester, Stephen Mazzur, Betsy Nelson, Marc Pleva, Karen Ross, Ron Ruggiero, Kimberly Schoener, Stephen Shuart, Lyle Sullivan, Kathleen Vogt, Dianne Wade, and Debby Waugh; and for those we name now, either aloud or in the quiet of our hearts.

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** we pray for the Churches of the Merrimack Valley Deanery, including Grace Church, Lawrence; Esperanza Academy, Lawrence; St. Anne's Church, Lowell; St. John's Church, Lowell; Congregations: Lectors, Worship Leaders, Eucharistic Ministers & Visitors.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer** we pray for the Church of the Province of South East Asia.

*Silence*

Hear us, Lord;  
**For your mercy is great**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays.

*Silence*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**And praise your name forever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence*

*Leader and People*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Presider pronounces the Absolution*

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

*Presider:* The peace of God be always with you.

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

*Invitation for those celebrating a birthday or anniversary to come forward for a blessing.*

### Offertory

Hymnal 380, vs. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Tune: *Old 100th*

### The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer 1

Enriching Our Worship  
*Supplemental Liturgical Materials*

*Presider:* May God be with you.

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

*Presider:* Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

*The Presider continues*

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with angels and archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Hymnal S-129

*Sanctus*

Robert Powell

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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.**

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,**

**for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to Communion

*The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Presider:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It has been made ready for those who love God and for those who hope to love God more. So come if you have been here often and come if you have not been here long. Come if you have followed and come if you have stumbled. Come because it is the Lord who invites you. It is Christ's will that those who seek him will meet him here at His table. These are the gifts of God for all the people of God.

*Please follow the Usher's guidance to come forward and either kneel or stand at the altar rail, as you are able.*

*First, the priest will place the wafer/bread (gluten-free available) in your outstretched hand. The Eucharistic Minister will then offer you the cup (containing wine), from which you are invited to sip. If you prefer, you may carefully intinct (dip) the wafer in the cup. If you are unable or prefer not to receive from the cup, simply cross your arms over your chest and the Eucharistic Minister will say the words "The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation" in front of you. Please be assured that no matter how you receive – bread and wine, bread or wine only, or spiritually, you will receive the full grace of the Sacrament. If you prefer not to receive the Sacrament today, you are invited to come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a Blessing in the name of the One God.*

Hymnal 321

My God, thy table now is spread

Tune: *Rockingham*

Post-communion Prayer *in unison*

Enriching Our Worship  
*Supplemental Liturgical Materials*

**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.**

The Blessing

May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Announcements

WLP 781

Now let us rise and hymn the grace

Tune: *Owen*

Dismissal

*Presider:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

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

Postlude

Fugue in C major

G.F. Handel

*The flowers that beautify our altar today were given  
in memory of Jim Pappas by Meg Pappas.*

**Thank you to those serving today**

Bill Lutz, lector/intercessor; Mary Ann and Al Richards, greeter/ushers  
Lisa DeLong, Lay Eucharistic Minister  
Jean Bertrand and Karen Butler, coffee fellowship; Mary Ellen Eichmann, flower delivery  
Elizabeth Salomé, Deborah Aylesworth, Leslie Meier, Altar Guild servers

**Those serving on June 21**

Lisa DeLong, lector/intercessor; Sandy Allard & Meg Pappas, greeter/ushers  
Bob Lawton, Lay Eucharistic Minister  
Jennifer and Bill Lutz, coffee fellowship; Deborah Aylesworth, flower delivery  
Elizabeth Salomé, Deborah Aylesworth, Leslie Meier, Altar Guild servers

**News & Noteworthy**

Dates of Note

- Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> , 10:15am – Biblical Stories within Our Stained Glass Windows  
Presented by The Rev. Darwin Price
- Tuesday, June 16, 9:30am – Pastoral Care committee meeting
- Sunday, June 21, 10:30am – Vestry meeting

### **Ongoing**

- Tuesdays, 12:00pm – Book Lovers’ Gathering; the current book is a biography of Eleanor Roosevelt by David Michaelis. A new book will be chosen soon.

**Office Hours** -- Week of June 14 – Tuesday–Friday, 10:00–2:00pm

### **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

100 Acts – Please continue to note your acts of kindness on a tag and hang them on the branches of our “tree.” Our goal is 100 acts of kindness. Examples: hosted a special guest for Easter dinner; took toiletries to Family Pantry; knitting blankets for the Linen Project; helped people in car accident; and adopted a puppy!

**Noah's Ark Thrift Shop** – Now is the time to sign up for June dates. Contact Lisa DeLong ([lisadelong193@gmail.com](mailto:lisadelong193@gmail.com)) who will be taking over scheduling for Thrift Shop volunteers for now.

### **Building Use – Outside Groups**

- Saturdays, 7:30pm – AA meeting in Parish Hall