

8th Sunday after Pentecost
10 a.m. 19 July 2026

*We invite you to prepare for the service in quiet meditation and prayer.
Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982.
“BCP” refers to pages in the red Book of Common Prayer.*

THE WORD OF GOD

Tower Bells

Voluntary **Toccata in F Major**, P. 464
Johann Pachelbel

All my hope on God is founded *(Stand)* **Hymn 665**

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Celebrant continues

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.*

Song of Praise **Come, all you people**
Uyai Mose

Come, all you people, come and praise your Maker! (x3)
Come now and worship the Lord.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

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.*

A Reading from the Book of 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. *[Isaiah 44:6-8]*

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 86:11-17 *(Prayed responsively by half verse)*

- 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 Letter of Paul 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. *[Romans 8:12-25]*

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

O God, our help in ages past *(Stand)* **Hymn 680**

The Gospel

Gospeller 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!”

[Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43]

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children’s Chapel

*Pre-K through 3rd grade children gather at the front steps of the chancel
for a blessing before processing to Children’s Chapel.*

The Sermon

A brief period of silence follows the sermon.

The Nicene Creed (Stand).....BCP 358

The Prayers of the People (Kneel)

At the end of each petition

Leader Shine forth in our lives, O Lord.
People Hallelujah!

The Collect for the Diocese

The Confession & Absolution..... BCP 360

The Peace..... BCP 360

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory..... *Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace*
Samuel Sebastian Wesley

If you are worshipping with us in person, we encourage you to place your gift in the offering plates as they are passed in the pews. For instructions on online and text giving, see the back panel of this bulletin.

Presentation of Gifts (Stand).....Hymn 380, v.3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361

The Sanctus (Sung by all).....Land of Rest



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
Ble - ssed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Ho -

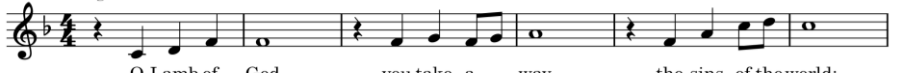


Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho - sa - nna in the high - est.
sa - nna in the high - est, Ho - sa - nna in the high - est.

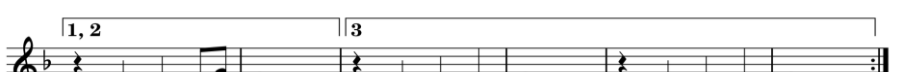
The Lord’s Prayer..... BCP 364

Fraction (Sung by all)

Sung three times



O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:



1, 2 3
have mer - cy on us. Grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. Approach the altar in a double line via the center aisle. Stand or kneel at the rail and receive the Bread in your hand. You may sip from the common cup or allow the minister to dip the Bread in the Wine for you. If you prefer a blessing, fold your arms across your chest. If coming forward is difficult, tell an usher and a minister will bring Communion to your pew.

Intercessory prayer is available during Communion at the rear of the nave near the baptismal font; trained ministers offer brief, confidential prayer and anointing for comfort, healing, or strength.

Communion Hymns..... 424, 339, 601

The Postcommunion Prayer (Kneel)..... BCP 365

Sending of Eucharistic Visitors

If Eucharistic Visitors are sent forth to take Communion to the sick or homebound, the following is said.

Celebrant N., we send you forth in the Name of this Congregation, to N. bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood.

People We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

The Blessing

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing (Stand) Hymn 344

The Dismissal BCP 366

Voluntary..... Allegro maestoso e vivace (Sonata in B-flat)
Felix Mendelssohn

Tower Bells

Today’s altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Virginia Perkins in thanksgiving for the life of Nancy Marsters who taught our children and stitched many needlepoint kneelers.

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Childcare

Free, professional childcare is provided 9:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. each Sunday.

Hearing System

To access our hearing loop system, set your hearing aid to tele-coil or “t” telephone mode. If your hearing aid does not have this capability, wireless headsets are available at the north tower entrance or from an usher.

Large Print Bulletins

Large print bulletins are available in the south transept amd north tower for the visually impaired. Pick one up by the door or ask an usher.

Altar Flower Dedications

Altar flower dedications are a wonderful way to honor loved ones. Visit the GIVE page on St. John’s website or contact the church office for assistance.

Weekly Services

SUNDAY		
7:45 a.m.....	Holy Eucharist (Rite I).....	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.....	Holy Eucharist (Rite II)	Sanctuary
service is livestreamed		
WEDNESDAY		
12:10 p.m.....	Holy Eucharist (Rite II)	Chapel
with Healing Prayer		

Parish Prayer List

Please take this list home each week and commit to praying daily for your fellow parishioners.

Prayers: Mary, Jeff Askins, Elise, Randy, Nicholas, William, Li Nelson, Joyce Heriveaux, Charley, Gabby, Nancee, Nancy, Linda

The Departed: Nancy Marsters, George Johnson, Marjorie Faye Green

Our Clergy: The Rev. Lonnie Lacy, Rector; The Rev. Melanie Salsgiver, Deacon and Seminarian; The Rev. Joe Bakker, The Rev. Pierce Withers, Deacons; Michael Stewart-Meza, Postulant for Holy Orders