

7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 27,

2025

PRELUDE "Shall We Gather at the River" - Praise Team only Darcy Christensen

Gathering

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God,

you free us to love others,

but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.

You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,

but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.

You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity,

but we grow weary in doing what is right.

In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us.

Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.

Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus

and you are God's children through faith.

In the cross of † Christ,

and through the power of the Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN ELW #742 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

- 1 What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit;
oh, what needless pain we bear--
all because we do not carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!

- 2 Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged--
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness--
take it to the Lord in prayer.
- 3 Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge--
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you;
you will find a solace there.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, **you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Word

BIBLE READING

Colossians 2:6-15

PSALM 85 *(read responsively)*

- 1 LORD, you were favorable to your land;
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
- 2 **You forgave the iniquity of your people;
you pardoned all their sin.**

- 3 You withdrew all your wrath;
you turned from your hot anger.
- 4 Restore us again, O God of our salvation,
and put away your indignation toward us.**
- 5 Will you be angry with us forever?
Will you prolong your anger to all generations?
- 6 Will you not revive us again,
so that your people may rejoice in you?**
- 7 Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,
and grant us your salvation.
- 8 Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.**
- 9 Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.**
- 11 Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,
and righteousness will look down from the sky.
- 12 The LORD will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.**
- 13 Righteousness will go before him
and will make a path for his steps.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW #172 "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah.
Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah.
Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah.
Hallelujah. Hal-le-lu-jah. *(Repeat)*

GOSPEL Luke 11:1-13

SERMON Rev. Julie Brenden

HYMN OF THE DAY WOV #783 "Seek Ye First"

Verse 1

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And its righteousness
And all these things

Shall be added unto you

Allelu alleluia

Verse 2

Ask and it shall be given unto you

Seek and you shall find

Knock and the door

Shall be opened unto you

Allelu alleluia

Verse 3

We do not live by bread alone

But by ev'ry word

That proceeds

From the mouth of God

Allelu alleluia

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our

Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

Responses: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Trusting in your loving kindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING & HYMN ELW #744 “Lord, Be Glorified”

- 1 In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in my life, Lord, be glorified today.
- 2 In our song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in our song, Lord, be glorified today.
- 3 In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in your church, Lord, be glorified today.
- 4 In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, **maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

LORD’S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
✠ bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

“Just a Little Talk With Jesus” - vs. 1, 3

Verse 1

I once was lost in sin
 But Jesus took me in
 And then a little light
 From heaven filled my soul
 It bathed my heart in love
 And wrote my name above
 And just a little talk with Jesus
 Made me whole

Chorus

Now let us have a little talk with Jesus
 Let us tell Him all about our troubles
 He will hear our faintest cry
 And He will answer by and by
 Now when you feel a little pray'r wheel turning
 And you know a little fire is burning
 You will find a little talk with Jesus
 Makes it right (it makes it right)

Verse 3

I may have doubts and fears
 My eyes be filled with tears
 But Jesus is a friend
 Who watches day and night
 I go to Him in pray'r
 He knows my ev'ry care
 And just a little talk with Jesus
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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**