Welcome to
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July 17, 2022 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost – 10:00 a.m.

Congregational Responses are in bold type

At the Peace, please greet one another with visual sign of God’s peace.

Bathrooms are located in the hallway between the church and the parish hall.

Organ Prelude: “Quiet Prelude for Organ No. 1” F. Jacobi

Hymn 401 – “The God of Abraham praise”

1 The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above;
2 He by himself hath sworn: we on his oath depend;
3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Righteousness,
4 The God who reigns on high the great archangels sing,
5 The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high;

1 Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love;
2 we shall, on eagles wings upborne, to heaven ascend;
3 triumphant o’er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;
4 and “Holy, holy, holy,” cry, “ Almighty King!”
5 “Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!” they ever cry;
Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
   have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
   receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
   Jesus Christ,
   with the Holy Spirit,
   in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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

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.

The people sit.

Genesis 18:1-10a
The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent
in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw
them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He
said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be
brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little
bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on-- since you have
come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into
the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it,
and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it
to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that
he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they
ate.
They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Please remain seated for the Psalm. We read the psalm in unison.**

**Psalm 15**
Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?
who may abide upon your holy hill?
Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right,
who speaks the truth from his heart.
There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend;
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
In his sight the wicked is rejected,
but he honors those who fear the Lord.
He has sworn to do no wrong
and does not take back his word.
He does not give his money in hope of gain,
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
Whoever does these things
shall never be overthrown.

**Colossians 1:15-28**
Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him-- provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which
has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*Luke 10:38-42*

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**
Please be seated for the sermon

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed
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.

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 Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Sean, our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For those who have been commended to our prayers:

Parishioners
Steve Anderson, Doris Bohn, Adel Borsick, Diane Cuyler, Bill & Lu Ess, Malinda Gay, Rowan Grasso, Marje Hagberg, Barbara Harrison, Helen Liarakos, GG Michaels, Sue Petherick, John Selin, Joyce VanTine, Kathy Zigrossi

Family
Leighton, Bruce, Patty, Jacquie, Arlene, Rich, Bret, Chris, Catie, Pete, Elliott, Bob & Mary, Linda, Silas, Bert, Sarah, Ronnie, Phyllis, Gayle, Frank, Andrew, Artie, Jim, Grace, Leonard, Karen, Ben, Janet, Paul, Scott

Military
Matthew, Jimmy, Len, Mary Elise

Friends
Kristan & family, Malcolm, Gladys, Marilyn, Nancy, Rose, Mary, Ed, Steven, Jimmy & family, Jason, Meg

Church-wide Prayer Cycles
The Episcopal Church; St. James’, Batavia; St. Andrew’s, Buffalo; Good Shepherd, Buffalo; St. Andrew’s, Clearfield

And for others who we name, silently or aloud.
Hear us, Lord;
**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We remember those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week:
**Christine Symons, Kellen Gradwell, Susan Gage**

And other thanksgivings which we offer silently or aloud.

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

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

Silence

_The People may add their own petitions._

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

God, Lord of all creation, lover of life and of everything, please help us to love in our very small way, what You love infinitely and everywhere. Help us daily, to be a stand for love, healing, abundance, and for the diverse unity of the Body of Christ and all of creation, because we know this is what You desire: as Jesus prayed, that all may be one. **Amen.** -- adapted from Richard Rohr

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

**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.

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 of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2

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Hymn 380, verse 3

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*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.
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 Gifts of God for Us, the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please come forward to receive communion one pew at a time.
If you need a gluten free wafer, please let the deacon know.

Communion Music: “Open the Eyes of My Heart” Baloche

Let us pray.
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The God of abundance has fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
God has united us with Christ and one another;
and has made us one with all God’s people in heaven and on earth.
Now go forth in the power of the Holy Spirit, to proclaim God’s creative, redemptive, and sustaining love to the world and continue to live into His Light.
Amen.

Hymn 488 – “Be thou my vision”
The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude: “March in D”

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Title: Open the Eyes of My Heart  
Authors: Paul Baloche  
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