

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost July 16, 2023

WELCOME

to St. Mary's Episcopal Church

a member of the Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Big Rapids, MI Seeking every day to love God with our whole heart, mind, and soul, and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

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Cadillac, MI We strive to live out the Great Commandment: To love the Lord with all our heart, soul, and mind and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

If you have a faith or are seeking one, you are always welcome here. If you are visiting or looking for a spiritual home, we'd love to get to know you.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

THE WORD OF GOD

BCP, p. 355

Processional Hymn

All stand as able.

Spirit of the Living God, Pew Folder, p.99

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen. The celebrant prays the collect for purity.

The Gloria Said in unison.

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 Collect of the Day

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you
Celebrant	Let us pray. The celebrant prays the collect of the day

The Lessons		All sit as able	e. Texts found in the	e bulletin insert.	
First Reading	3			Genesis 25:19)-34
After the readi	ng:	Reader	The Word of the	Lord.	
		People	Thanks be to G	od.	
The Psalm				Psalm 119:105-	·112
Second Read	ing			Romans 8:1-	-11
After the readi	ng:	Reader	The Word of the	e Lord.	
		People	Thanks be to G	od.	
Gospel Hym	n	All stand as a	able.	Thy Word, Pew Folder, 1	p.107
The Holy Go	spel			Matthew 13:1-9,	18-23
Before the Gos	pel:				
Celebrant	Holy C	Gospel of Out	r Lord Jesus Chris	t according to Matthew.	
People	Glory	to you, Lord	l Christ.		
After the Gosp	el:				
Celebrant	The G	ospel of the I	Lord		
People	Praise	e to you, Lorc	l Christ.		
Hymn after the Gospel			I Love you Lord, Pew Folder, p .	.44	
Homily				Mtr. Radha Kaminsl	ci

The Nicene CreedSaid in unison, all standing as able.We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all

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

that is, seen and unseen.

Praying the Scriptures

Intercessor Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! With grateful hearts we pray to our Loving God, saying, "We thank you, Father; **you hear the voice of your beloved**."

> Loving God, you call your Church "my love" and "my beauty". Look upon your Church with eyes of great compassion and love. May we generously share the love with which we have been so greatly blessed. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Prince, our Bishop

Provisional; Radha, our Rector; our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant. Trinity Church, Three Rivers – James, Clergy-in-Charge, St. John's, Harbor Springs – Hord, Sr. Warden. We pray for all those in our diocese discerning calls to ministry, both lay and ordained. In particular, we pray for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Priests, including Barrett, Alex, Matt, and Anne Marie. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Abraham, John, Stephanie, Thon, Jennifer, Justin, Jessica, Julianne, Rachel, John, Cathy, Dell, Theresa. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese. O God who has made us one in Christ, we pray for all the people of Transfiguration, Indian River. May they see the presence of your Son in one another and share the good news in the mission and ministries they share. As our dioceses discern and discover collaborative ways, we ask that you strengthen the relationships among us. Reveal Christ to us as we seek and serve your church and your world together. Silence We thank you, Father;

People You hear the voice of your beloved.

- Intercessor Loving God, you have blessed our nation with great freedoms. Grant us, and all the people of this land, the grace and maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace. *Silence* We thank you, Father;
- People You hear the voice of your beloved.
- Intercessor Loving God, all that you have created tells of your love for us. May flowers and birds, but even more so our human relationships, remind us of your great care and presence. *Silence*

We thank you, Father;

People You hear the voice of your beloved.

Intercessor Loving God, you promise to give rest to all those who carry heavy burdens. Lift up those who are weighed down by the burdens of violence, depression, and despair. *Silence* We thank you, Father;

People You hear the voice of your beloved.

Intercessor We pray for those in positions of authority in our country and in the world, especially Joe, our president; Gretchen our govenor; Carla, our mayor. *Silence* We thank you, Father;

People You hear the voice of your beloved.

Intercessor Loving God, your Son Jesus revealed your heart to be gentle and humble. We pray for those who have restless souls. We pray that all the sorrowful and the suffering may find their rest in you. We pray for those in the St. Mary's circle of prayer: Erin, Carol, Pat, Madi, Lorie, Derek, Heather & Lonnie, Dorothea, Ron & Judy, Alice, Mike & Connie; For those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Melissa & Family, Sharyn, John, Brenda, Beth, Keller/Cole family, Ian, Melissa & Scott, Nan, Kris, Doug, Marty & Rachel, Marcinkiewz family, Marga & Barbara, Sally & Family, Roxanne, Sarah, Julane, George, Kyler Ruppert Family, Karen & Mark; For our family and friends in the armed forces and who are first responders: Richard, Corey, Matt, Teylor, Tony, Kim, Drew, Jon, Sabastian, Noah, Eli, Jess; And for all those we name at this time. *Silence* We thank you, Father;

People You hear the voice of your beloved.

Intercessor Loving God, you rescue us from death. We pray that all who have died, especially those who strived for freedom and peace, may come to know that heavenly comfort you have prepared for us. *Silence* We thank you, Father;

People You hear the voice of your beloved.

The celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession of SinSaid in unison, kneeling as able.CelebrantLet us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant 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 PeaceAll stand as able.CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.The people greet each other in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory	The celebrant says the offertory sentence.
Offertory Hymn	We Plow the Fields and Scatter, Pew Folder, p.1

After all the gifts are brought to the altar, all say in unison: All things come of thee, O Lord. And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great ThanksgivingEucharistic Prayer A, BCP p. 361CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.PeopleIt is right to give him thanks and praise.

The celebrant offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response all sing:

Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)

Pew Folder, p.87

The people stand or kneel as able while the celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine. Then says:

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The celebrant concludes with a prayer for the coming of God's reign. The people respond **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

It is our tradition to gather in a circle to say the Lord's Prayer. You are welcome to either stand and join hands, or remain seated and we will encircle you.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All 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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then says:

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation *The celebrant says the invitation.*

Everyone is welcome to receive communion. There is no one who is too old or too young, no one who has too many doubts or too few beliefs. This is the altar prepared by a loving God for all creation by the power of Jesus Christ. You, who are part of that creation, are welcome.

Please come forward down the center aisle to in front of the altar to receive communion or a blessing. If you need communion brought to you, let an usher know.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD – You can either,			
1 St	Consume	Hold out your hands and then consume the bread after it is placed in your hand.	
Q,	Gluten-Free	If you require a gluten-free wafer, please clasp your hands.	
8	Blessing	If you prefer not to receive, cross your arms for a blessing.	

	THE DISTRI	BUTION OF THE WINE – You can either,
K.	Drink	Grasp the base of the chalice and guide it to your lips to drink the wine.
	Intinct	Hold up the bread. The minister will take the bread, dip it for you, and hand it back to you.
	Not Receive	Cross your arms. The minister will hold the chalice up, but you will not drink.

Communion Hymn

The Lord's My Shepherd, Pew Folder, p.107

Prayer after Communion All stand or kneel as able.		
Celebrant	Let us pray.	
All	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 Celebration of Special Days and Announcements		
The Blessin	g All stand as able while the celebrant blesses the people.	
Recessional	Hymn God of Grace, Hymnal, #594	

The Dismissal

CelebrantGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Amen. Amen.

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