

Welcome! As our Lord Jesus Christ said, Peace be with you. Wherever you come from and wherever you are on your journey of faith, we are glad you are with us. Let us enter into God's presence together.

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2024

10:00 a.m.

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Note: The text of this liturgy comes from Enriching Our Worship, an authorized supplement to the Book of Common Prayer. Some of the text varies from the standard Rite II liturgy many may be familiar with. The service is not redacted so that worshippers may follow the liturgy in its entirety.

Prelude

Opening Hymn

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!”

Hymn #460

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

The Celebrant may say

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.**

Kyrie

from Freedom Mass

Leader

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The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson

Reader: A reading from the Book of Joshua (24:1-2, 14-18)

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, “Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel:

“Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”

Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34:15-22

The antiphon is first sung by a cantor, then repeated by all.



The verses are sung by a cantor. All sing the antiphon where indicated.

¹⁵The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and God's ears are open to their cry.

¹⁶The face of the LORD is against those who do evil,
to erase the remembrance of them from the earth.

¹⁷The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them and delivers them from all their troubles.

¹⁸The LORD is near to the brokenhearted
and saves those whose spirits are crushed. ***Antiphon***

¹⁹Many are the troubles of the righteous, but the LORD delivers them from every one.

²⁰God will keep safe all their bones; not one of them shall be broken.

²¹Evil will bring death to the wicked and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

²²O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished. ***Antiphon***

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The Second Lesson

Reader: A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians (6:10-20)

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

“Blessed Jesus, at thy word”

Hymn #440

The Gospel

(John 6:56-69)

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

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

Jesus said, “Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.”

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Matthew L. Buterbaugh

Nicene Creed

**Asterisks indicate a variance from the Book of Common Prayer.*

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,
*was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
*and became truly human.**

**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,****

***who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
*who 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.**

Prayers of the People – Form II

I ask your prayers for God’s people throughout the world; for Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect, Michael our Presiding Bishop, Matthew our diocesan Bishop for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Christ, have mercy.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people; for Joseph the President of the United States, Tony the Governor of Wisconsin, Cory the Mayor of Racine; and all those running for office.

Pray for justice and peace.

Christ, have mercy.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, [especially_____]; for] the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. We pray for the staff, volunteers and guests of the Hospitality Center.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Christ, have mercy.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Christ, have mercy.

I ask your prayers for the departed [especially_____],

Pray for those who have died.

Christ, have mercy.

I ask your thanksgiving for all the blessings of our lives [especially_____].

Pray for God’s blessing on all people.

Christ, have mercy.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored; for the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Luke, blessed James DeKoven, and all the Saints.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Christ, have mercy.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says
Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept for reflection.

Minister and People

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with the following sentence of Scripture

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.
Psalms 50:14

Offertory

Instrumental

Celebrant: All things come of Thee, O Lord
People: **And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

EOW Eucharistic Prayer 2



Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds:

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,
source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep

and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars;

earth, winds, and waters;

and every living thing.

You made us in your image,

and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;

and yet, as a mother cares for her children,

you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us

to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels

in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,
lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus

from Freedom Mass

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow'r and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 6/8. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system includes a fermata over the word 'ly,' in the vocal line. The second system includes a fermata over the word 'ry.' in the vocal line. The third system includes a fermata over the word 'est.' in the vocal line. The fourth system includes a fermata over the word 'est.' in the vocal line.

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The people may kneel or stand

Then the Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.
To deliver us from the power of sin and death
and to reveal the riches of your grace,
you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,
that she might conceive and bear a son,
Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us.
He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,
healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.
He yearned to draw all the world to himself
yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.
Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross
the sacrifice of his life,
and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,
Jesus was at table with his friends.
He took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them, 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.
Again, he gave thanks to you,
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.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,
who was and is and is to come,
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,

and ourselves, a living sacrifice.
 Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
 that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.
 Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth
 and make us your new creation,
 the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.
 In the fullness of time bring us,
 with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary,
 blessed Luke, blessed James DeKoven, and all your saints,
 from every tribe and language and people and nation,
 to feast at the banquet prepared
 from the foundation of the world.
 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.



The Lord's Prayer

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

**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.**

Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Communion

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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

In the Episcopal Church, all are welcome at the table of the Lord.

If you have been baptized in any Christian tradition, you may receive communion. If you have not been baptized, you are welcome to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like to receive a blessing or to indicate that you do not want to receive the bread or wine. For a gluten free host, please come to the celebrant and place your thumb in your palm.

Communion Hymn

“Father, we thank thee who hast planted”

Hymn #302

Post-communion Prayer

The people kneel, if able.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,**

**that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant (Name), we send you out to share Communion this week with (Name).
People **May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.**
Celebrant May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.
All **Amen.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn "Spread, O spread, thou mighty word" Hymn #530

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

If you are visiting St. Luke's, we welcome you in the name of the Risen Lord.
If you have any questions or want to know more about St. Luke's Church, please speak with an usher.

TODAY'S MINISTERS

ACOLYE: Chris and Sam Schatzman

ALTAR GUILD: Debbie Bruno

FIRST READER: Mick Burke

SECOND READER: Marshall Cushman

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Cindy Ganzel

PARISH PERSON OF THE DAY: Mick Burke

USHERS: Becky Turk, Amber Beth, Mike Dillon

CANTOR: Jim Cook

SUPPLY ORGANIST: Jim Sodke

COFFEE HOUR: Vestry

NEXT WEEK COFFEE HOUR: Birthday Sunday

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For our Parish

For those who are Sick or in Need or Homebound

Bethany, Laandan, Tony, Chris, Ron, Gerald, Lisa, Jean, Pam, Jack, Neil, Olivia, Bill, Katie, Sally, Heather, Leah, George, Esther, Elias, **Homebound:** Barbara, Jeanne

For the Episcopal Ministries in Racine:

Congregations of St. Luke's and St. Michael's
Diocese of Milwaukee Hospitality Center
Racine Vocational Ministry,
The DeKoven Center

For the Church: In the World

La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico
St. Marc's Church & school in Jeanette, Haiti
Cadnet Edneron and Charline Irossaint

Thanksgiving for Birthday and Anniversary

Barbara Mayfield
Kathie and Tyrone Thompson

For those who have Departed: Lori Burke, mother of Mick Burke

Special Offering

Cash or checks in the offering that are not designated for regular needs will be given to the following **St. Luke's Discretionary Funds**. Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.

Today's **Altar flowers** are given by Debbie Bruno to the glory of God and in loving memories of her father, mother and daughter.

Planning for End of Life- September 8 and 22nd

Pat and Deacon REGS Scheeler will present a two-part workshop to aid in addressing the wishes of those at the end of life and easing the distress and grief of those left behind. Pat worked in a financial setting for over 30 years and REGS has served as a deacon in the Diocese of Milwaukee for over 44 years. The workshop will consist of a program called '*Five Wishes: A Way of Planning for and Discussing Care at the End of Life*', and include how to record data that will help the person organize their thoughts and wishes. End of Life planning can spare those left behind unnecessary grief, distress, and expense of time following the person's death. Please plan to join us in the parish hall on September 8, and again on September 22, following the worship service.

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