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# The Third Sunday after Pentecost Proper 6

June 14, 2015



# The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

#### **Gathering Music**

Blessed Assurance

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Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight.
Visions of rapture burst on my sight.
Angels descending, bring from above,
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. Refrain

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my savior am happy and blest, Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love. Refrain

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Procession to the Altar Hymn #304 vss.1-3

I Come With Joy

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy

Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and

for ever. Amen.

#### Celebrant

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.* 

Gloria, said at 8am Sing Halleluia, sung at 10am (Printed on page 9 of the Worship Guide)

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.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

### A Reading from Ezekiel

(17:22-24)

Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will take a sprig

from the lofty top of a cedar;

I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one

from the topmost of its young twigs;

I myself will plant it

on a high and lofty mountain.

On the mountain height of Israel

I will plant it,

in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,

and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;

in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind.

All the trees of the field shall know

that I am the LORD.

I bring low the high tree,

I make high the low tree;

I dry up the green tree

and make the dry tree flourish.

I the LORD have spoken;

I will accomplish it.

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

#### Psalm 92

(Read in unison after the first asterisk)

- It is a good thing to give thanks to the LORD,
  \* and to sing praises to your Name, O
  Most High;
- 2 To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning \* and of your faithfulness in the night season;

- On the psaltery, and on the lyre, \* and to the melody of the harp.
- 4 For you have made me glad by your acts, O LORD; \* and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.
- 11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, \* and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.
- 12 Those who are planted in the house of the LORD \* shall flourish in the courts of our God:
- 13 They shall still bear fruit in old age; \* they shall be green and succulent;
- 14 That they may show how upright the LORD is, \* my Rock, in whom there is no fault.

# A Reading from 2 Corinthians

(5:6-10, (11-13), 14-17)

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

[Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.] For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised

for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Reader The Word of the Lord People Thanks be to God

#### Gradual Hymn #204 vss.1-2

Now the green blade riseth

# The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark (4:26-34)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** 

# Gradual Hymn #204 vss. 3-4

Now the green blade riseth

The Sermon

**Father Haynes** 

Silence for reflection

#### The Nicene Creed (Standing, as able.)

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.

## **Prayers of the People**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for the Anglican Communion, especially for Okigne - (Owerri, Nigeria); our diocese, especially for Episcopal Retirement Communities; Earth Ministry; and for our parish, especially for our parishioners Brita Barry, Frank & Mary Blacker; Lila Candoo.

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer* 

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, especially Barack our President, in the ways of

justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for our armed forces, their families, and those who are deployed, especially Andrew & Michael and for those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.* 

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy,

#### Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We thank you for all the blessings of this life, especially for those we now name.

Lord, in your mercy,

# Hear our prayer

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, especially Lyn, Areewa, Eloise, Carmen, Stephen, Dave, Maryann, Brenda, Rose, Shirley, Tom, Elsie, Agueda, John, Alex, Shakai, Bea, Pam, Sandy & John, Matt & Adrienne, Doris, Cheri, Scott, Alisande, Sophy Yun, Panha, Srey Nouch and for those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.* 

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled. We pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.* 

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Leader and People

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 Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with

you.

People And also with you.

#### Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries

### **Offertory Hymn**

David's Song

When the spirit of the Lord moves in my heart, I will sing like David sang.
When the spirit of the Lord moves

When the spirit of the Lord moves
In my heart, I will sing like David sang. I will
Sing, I will sing, I will sing like David sang. I will
sing, I will sing, like David sang.

- 2. Clapp
- 3. Dance
- 4. Praise

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# The Great Thanksgiving C

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our

God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and

praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

# By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

#### Sanctus

8:00 am (spoken), 10:00 am Sanctus (sung) (Printed on page 9 of the Worship Guide)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN*.

**Lord's Prayer** said at 8 am & sung at 10 am (Printed on page 10 of the Worship Guide)

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our father in heaven hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

# The Breaking of the Bread and Holy Communion

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then the Celebrant says

# [Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]*

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.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

This is our Lord's Table, and He is our host. All persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who have yet to be baptized are encouraged to speak with the clergy after the service about becoming baptized into Christ's Body.

Gluten-free hosts and alcohol-free wine are available upon request at the rail.

#### **Communion Music**

#### **Holy Ground**

This is holy ground, we're standing on holy ground, For the Lord is present, and where he is, is holy, (repeat)

These are holy hands, he's given us holy hands;

He works through these hands, and so these hands are holy, (repeat)

These are holy lips, he's given us holy lips; He speaks through these lips, and so these lips are holy, (repeat)

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#### Hear, O Lord

Refrain: Hear, O Lord, the Sound of my call, Hear, O Lord, and have mercy. My soul is longing for the glory of you, Hear, O Lord, and answer me.

- Ev'ry night before I sleep, I pray my soul to take.
   Or else I pray that loneliness, Is gone when I awake.
- Why do I no longer feel, like I've a place to stay?O take me where someone will care, So fear will go away.
- In you, O Lord, I place my cares,And all my troubles too.O grant, dear Lord, that some day soonI'll live in peace with you.

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#### COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

*Celebrant:* In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

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

## **The Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray:

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you

for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

#### The Blessing

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

# **Procession to the Neighborhood**

Hymn #493

O for a thousand tongues to tell

#### St. Matthew Mission Statement

St. Matthew Church: To be a church that passionately embraces and values all people, growing in the love of Christ through word and action.

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing

in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God. People

#### **Special Ministers Today**

**Priest** The Rev. Kendall Haynes **Worship Leader Bob Witter Eucharistic Minister** Dick Elofson Bud Nalder (8am), Tom Taylor Lector **Acolytes** Nicholas Yun Zawadi Chege **Ushers** Frank Blacker

**Bob Wright** Gary & Marcie Neuman Greeters

**Eucharistic Visitor** Chuck & Lyn Zimmerman **Bread Maker** Altar Guild

**Beth Latsis** Liz Latsis Cat Kuniyoshi Mary Blacker

Marian Oberg

**Counters** Dick Elofson Art Ladley

Micaela Detrick Nurserv **Coffee Hour Jackie Whorton** 

Dick & Terry Elofson Lorina Goodjoint

**Altar Guild Director** Linda Pomeroy-Hull

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# **Today's Prayer List**

Lyn Zimmerman – Myotonic Dystrophy

Areewa Saray - imprisonment

Eloise Page (friend of Tom & Elaine Taylor) - hospice

Carmen Planas (aunt of Agueda Fernandez-Webster) -dementia Stephen Peterson (son of Tom & Judy Peterson) - back pain

Dave Hopkins – pain management and balance

Maryann Smith - guidance and wisdom pertaining to her schooling and health.

Brenda Gilbert – fighting severe health problems

Rose Barg - impending surgery

Shirley Ryan Rose - (neighbor of Linda Pomeroy-Hull) continued recovery from a vascular stroke

Tom Taylor – vertigo-like symptoms from an unknown illness

Elsie Forrest - Macular Degeneration, tremors, and hernia

Agueda Fernandez-Webster – Tests
John Hibben – tests for unknown throat condition
Alex Sloan & Shakai Reyna – (grandson and friend of Jim &
Ginny Sloan) - on their hike of the Pacific Crest Trail
(from southern border to northern border), from April 8
through August 30, 2015

Bea Stensrud – recovering from some breaks in her femur Pam Ladley – recovering from wrist surgery Sandy and John Yoeun - who are expecting their fourth child, a boy, in August. Congratulations!!

Matt and Adrianne Williams - who are expecting their third child, a girl, also in August. Congratulations!!

Doris Sanders – appointment with vascular surgeon
Cheri Peterson – dementia
Scott Candoo – undiagnosed medical issues
Alisande Watterson – tests for a health issue
Sophy Yun, Panha and Srey Nouch – (Saray)

To add someone or take someone off the prayer list, email saintmatthewpastoralcare@gmail.com . Thanks!

# **Announcements**

30 Day Eviction Notice!- Due to the need for a growing youth group, we are cleaning out the last classroom in the back to accommodate a space for youth to gather. If you have any belongings in that room that you no longer want, please let us know if you would like us to remove them or let us know what you would like done with them. When was the last time we moved our storage items to make room for a youth group? It is a joyful time at St. Matthew. Please call with any questions. Marcie Neuman 253 682 8955

Tacoma Pride - Christ Episcopal Church and St. Matthew Church are sharing a table at the July 11<sup>th</sup> Tacoma Pride events to be a welcoming church presence and to convey that we really are a church that values and embraces everyone. A sign up sheet is available in the narthex if you would like to join us in sharing the presence of our parish. Please call if you have any questions. Marcie Neuman 253 682 8955

<u>Bible Study</u> – Reminder of our weekly bible study on Thursdays at 10am in the Parish library where we study books of the bible.

#### Mark vour calendar—

Saturdays, 8AM, Men's Breakfast in the Parish Hall

- ➤ 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month, 9AM-Noon, Julia's Gulch
- Sundays, 11:30AM, Choir rehearsal
- Sundays, 9AM Bridging the Gap
- Thursdays, 10AM, Bible Study in the library
- ➤ 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month, 7PM JLS (Just Love Singing)