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## September 01, 2024- Eucharist - *Book of Alternative Services* 15th Sunday of Pentecost

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### Welcome

### Notices

### Opening Sentence

The word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it. Deuteronomy 30.14

### Opening Hymn I have Decided to Follow Jesus

### The Gathering of the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

### **And also with you**

Almighty God,  
**to you all hearts are open,  
 all desires known,  
 and from you no secrets are hidden.  
 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.**

### The Gloria

Gloria (clap, clap), Gloria (clap, clap),  
 In excelsis Deo  
 Gloria (clap, clap), Gloria (clap, clap),  
 In excelsis Deo

Lord God, heavenly King,  
 Peace you bring to us;  
 We worship you, we give you thanks,  
 We sing our song of praise.

Jesus, Saviour of all,  
 Lord God, Lamb of God,  
 You take away our sins, O Lord,  
 Have mercy on us all.

At the Father's right hand,  
 Lord, receive our prayer,  
 For you alone are the Holy One  
 And you alone are Lord.

Glory Father and Son,  
 Glory Holy Spirit,  
 To you we raise our hands up high,  
 We glorify your name.

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

1st Reading - Song of Solomon 2:8-13

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm - Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9

45:1

My heart overflows with a goodly theme; I address my verses to the king; my tongue is like the pen of a ready scribe.

45:2

**You are the most handsome of men; grace is poured upon your lips; therefore God has blessed you forever.**

45:6

Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever. Your royal scepter is a scepter of equity;

45:7

**you love righteousness and hate wickedness. Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions;**

45:8

your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia. From ivory palaces stringed instruments make you glad;

45:9

**daughters of kings are among your ladies of honor; at your right hand stands the queen in gold of Ophir.**

Gracious God, your love unites heaven and earth in a new festival of gladness. Lift our spirits to learn the way of joy that leads us to your banquet hall, where all is golden with praise. We ask this through Jesus Christ the Lord.

**Amen**

2nd Reading - James 1:17-27

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn Softly and TenderlyThe Gospel - Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to ...

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

The Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

SermonAffirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He 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,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again  
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 for the Community

*Additional intercessions, petitions and thanksgivings may be offered in silence or aloud. Among these concerns it is appropriate to remember • the persecuted • the oppressed peoples of the world; • all who are lonely; • all who are near to death and • all who are facing loss.*

Friends in Christ,  
God invites us to hold the needs of our sisters and brothers as dear to us as our own needs. Loving our neighbours as ourselves, we offer our thanksgivings and our petitions on behalf of the church and the world.

Let us pray with confidence to the Lord, saying, "Lord hear our prayer."

O Lord, guard and direct your Church in the way of unity, service, and praise.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Give to all nations an awareness of the unity of the human family.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and selfishness, and inspire us to hunger and thirst for what is right.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Teach us to use your creation for your greater praise, that all may share the good things you provide.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Strengthen all who give their energy or skill for the healing of those who are sick in body or in mind.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Set free all who are bound by fear and despair.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to all who are dying, and your comfort to those who mourn.

**Lord, hear our prayer**

Hear our prayers, God of power, and through the ministry of your Son free us from the grip of the tomb, that we may desire you as the fullness of life and proclaim your saving deeds to all the world. **Amen.**

Confession & Absolution

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence is kept.*

Merciful Creator God,  
**You have searched us out and known us; the hopes we hold and the sins that cling to us. The hurts we absorb and ferment; the tears we both cause and shed. We stand before you: all that we have been and all that we are, knowing that only in You are we truly known as the ones You would have us be. Forgive us and guide us to face ourselves, and respect each other with dignity, that we might welcome with You the gifts and challenges that Your creation brings, through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.**

May God our Great Creator have mercy upon us, and cleanse our hearts of all stain from sin and brokenness, that we may walk with Jesus along the good road, His holy way **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn Back to God

Doxology - 666 (CP)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
 Praise God all creatures here below  
 Praise God above ye Heavenly Host  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

The Prayer Over the Gifts

Father, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord **Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer 3

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God,  
 creator of heaven and earth;  
 you are the source of light and life for all your creation, you made us in your own image, and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
 God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth of your glory are full.  
 Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

*Repeat*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
 God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth of your glory are full.  
 Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.  
 Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,  
 for the goodness and love  
 you have made known to us in creation;

in calling Israel to be your people;  
 in your Word spoken through the prophets;  
 and above all in the Word made flesh,  
 Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him  
 to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
 to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.  
 In him, you have delivered us from evil,  
 and made us worthy to stand before you.  
 In him, you have brought us  
 out of error into truth,  
 out of sin into righteousness,  
 out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over  
 to suffering and death  
 a death he freely accepted,  
 our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;  
 and when he had given thanks to you,  
 he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,  
 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;  
 and when he had given thanks,  
 he gave it to them,  
 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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,  
**we remember his death,  
 we proclaim his resurrection,  
 we await his coming in glory;**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,  
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,  
that they may be the sacrament  
of the body of Christ  
and his blood of the new covenant.  
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,  
that we, made acceptable in him,  
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit

In the fullness of time,  
reconcile all things in Christ,  
and make them new,  
and bring us to that city of light  
where you dwell with all your children,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
the firstborn of all creation,  
the head of the Church,  
and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,  
now and forever  
**Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

**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,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**We, being many, are one body,  
for we all share in the one bread.**

### The Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God  
**Thanks be to God**

### Hymn - Lamb of God

**Lamb of God You Take Away The Sins Of the  
World, Have Mercy on Us**

**Lamb of God You Take Away The Sins Of the  
World, Have Mercy on Us**

**Lamb of God You Take Away the Sins of the  
World, Grant Us Peace, Grant Us Peace**

### Prayer after Communion

Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in  
your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this  
mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and  
love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the  
Lord **Amen**

### The Benediction

May the God of peace who raised from the dead  
our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep,  
by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you  
with everything good that you may do his will,  
working in you that which is pleasing in his sight.

And the blessing of the Father, the Son and the  
Holy Spirit, be with you, uphold and strengthen  
you, and grant you favour in all that you do,  
now and always. **Amen**

Doxology

Glory to God,  
**whose power, working in us,  
 can do infinitely more  
 than we can ask or imagine.**  
**Glory to God from generation to generation,  
 in the Church and in Christ Jesus,  
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

Sunday School

Closing Hymn Still Rolling Stones

Dismissal

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And be what you are, the church in the World.

***Thanks be to God. Amen. Alleluia!***

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