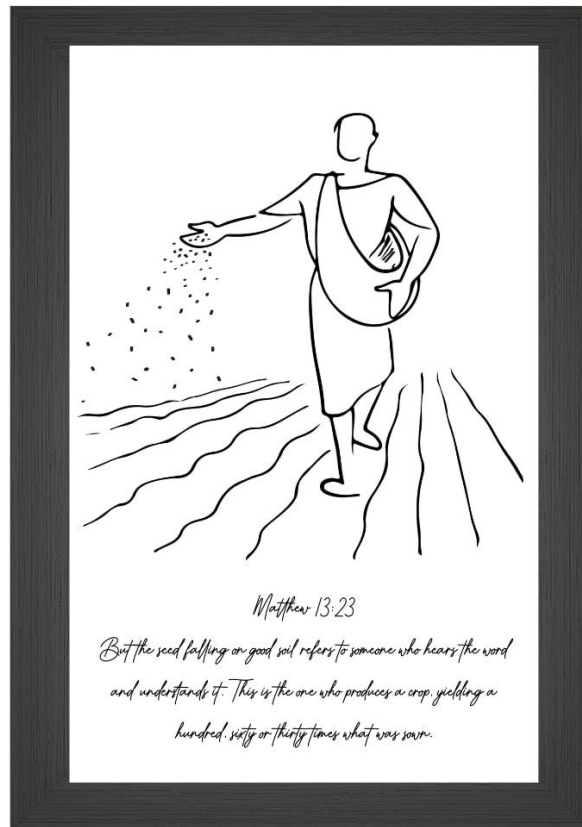


# THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



**Sunday, July 12, 2026**  
**10:30 A.M. Eucharist, Rite Two**

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# THE WORD OF GOD

## OPENING HYMN - The Lord Most High

*Stand up and clap your hands,  
and sing with shouts of joy  
How awesome is the Lord Most High.  
He is King of all the earth;  
he's seated on his throne.  
Sing praises to the Lord Most High.*

**REFRAIN:**  
*Come let us praise him, praise him.  
He alone is good.  
Come let us praise the Lord Most High.*

*We stand and clap our hands,  
and sing with shouts of joy.  
How awesome are you, Lord Most High.  
You are the King of all the earth,  
and holy is your throne.  
All praise to you, oh Lord Most High.*

*Lord, we praise you, praise you;  
you alone are good.  
O, we praise you, Lord Most High.  
We praise you, Lord Most High. (repeat)*

## WELCOME AND ACCLAMATION

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Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

***And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. 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.**

CHILDREN AGES 5 THRU 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE MAY FOLLOW THE CROSS TO CHILDREN'S CHAPEL DURING THE GLORIA

## GLORIA

***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

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

**Genesis 25:19-34**

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her,

"Two nations are in your womb,  
and two peoples born of you shall be divided;  
the one shall be stronger than the other,  
the elder shall serve the younger."

When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

The Word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

## THE PSALM

Psalm 119:105-112

Your word is a lantern to my feet \*  
and a light upon my path.

I have sworn and am determined \*  
to keep your righteous judgments.

I am deeply troubled; \*  
preserve my life, O Lord, according to your word.

Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my lips, \*  
and teach me your judgments.

My life is always in my hand, \*  
yet I do not forget your law.

The wicked have set a trap for me, \*  
but I have not strayed from your commandments.

Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; \*  
truly, they are the joy of my heart.

I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes \*  
for ever and to the end.

## A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS

Romans 8:1-11

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

**SEQUENCE SONG - All Who Are Thirsty**

*All who are thirsty*

*All who are weak*

*Come to the fountain*

*Dip your heart in the stream of life.*

*Let the pain and the sorrow*

*Be washed away in the waves of His mercy*

*As deep cries out to deep.*

*Come Lord Jesus come*

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*Holy Spirit come - Holy Spirit come*

*Holy Spirit come - Holy Spirit come*

**THE GOSPEL**

**Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

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

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON - The Rev. Michael Paul**

**SERMON RESPONSE - Majesty**

**Majesty, worship His majesty  
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor and praise  
Majesty, kingdom authority  
Flow from His throne unto His own  
His anthem raise.**

**CHORUS:  
So exalt, lift up on high  
The name of Jesus  
Magnify, come glorify  
Christ Jesus the King  
Majesty, worship His majesty  
Jesus who died, now glorified,  
King of all kings**

**THE NICENE CREED (Standing as you are able)**

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**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 Sean our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai, Héctor, and Brian our Bishops; Ralph our Priest; Nancy our Deacon; and for all bishops and other ministers, including the Vestry, staff, and ministry leaders of Calvary Church;

***For all who serve God in his Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially \_\_\_\_\_ and those we name now, either silently or aloud;

*Silence - The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

***For your mercy is great.***

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, especially \_\_\_\_\_ and those we name now, either silently or aloud.

*Silence - The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

***Who put their trust in you.***

O God, in the course of this busy life, give us times of refreshment and peace; and grant that we may so use our leisure to rebuild our bodies and renew our minds, that our spirits may be opened to the goodness of your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.*

## ABSOLUTION

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 (Standing as you are able.)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*And also with you.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## THE OFFERTORY - **Mighty to Save**

1. *Everyone needs compassion  
Love that's never failing  
Let mercy fall on me  
Everyone needs forgiveness  
The kindness of a Savior  
The hope of nations*

2. *So take me as You find me  
All my fears and failures  
Fill my life again  
I give my life to follow  
Everything I believe in  
Now I surrender*

**CHORUS:**

*Savior - He can move the mountains  
My God is mighty to save  
He is mighty to save  
Forever Author of salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave*

*Shine your light and let the whole world see  
We're singing for the glory of the risen King - Jesus  
Shine your light and let the whole world see  
We're singing for the glory of the risen King*

## THE DOXOLOGY

*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. Amen. Amen.*

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 him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. (*the priest adds a Proper Preface*)

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, of power and might**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory (repeat)**

**Hosanna in the highest,**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord (repeat)**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, of power and might;**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

(*The people may kneel or stand.*)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

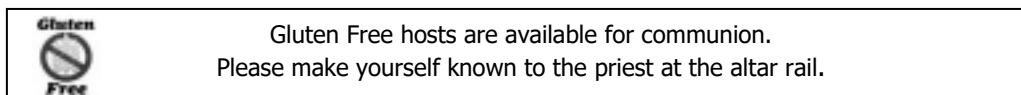
***Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be Your name,  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread,  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, and the power, and the glory  
Are Yours now and forever. Amen.***

Canterbury Version

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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

These are 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.



*If you have a special prayer need, step into the side chapel after you receive communion, and a member of the Prayer Team will pray with you.*

### **COMMUNION SONG 1 - Thy Word**

**1. When I feel afraid  
Think I've lost my way  
Still you're there right beside me  
Nothing will I fear  
As long as you are near  
Please be near me to the end**

**CHORUS:  
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path  
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path**

**2. I will not forget  
Your love for me and yet  
My heart forever is wandering  
Jesus be my guide  
And hold me to your side  
And I will love you to the end**

## COMMUNION SONG 2 - Holy and Anointed One

*Jesus, Jesus  
Holy and Anointed One, Jesus*

*Jesus, Jesus  
Risen and exalted one, Jesus*

**CHORUS:**  
*Your name is like honey on my lips  
Your Spirit like water to my soul  
Your Word is a lamp unto my feet  
Jesus I love you, I love you*

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.*

## 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.** (these words may differ from time to time)

## CLOSING SONG - My Lighthouse

*1. In my wrestling and in my doubts,  
In my failures you won't walk out.  
Your great love will lead me through.  
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea.*

*2. In the silence you won't let go,  
In the questions your truth will hold.  
Your great love will lead me through.  
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea.*

*3. I won't fear what tomorrow brings  
With each morning I'll rise and sing.  
My God's love will lead me through.  
You are the peace in my troubled sea, whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea.*

**CHORUS:**  
*My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse  
Shining in the darkness I will follow you.  
My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse  
I will trust the promise you will carry me  
Safe to shore – safe to shore (repeat)*

*Fire before us, you're the brightest  
You will lead us through the storms*

## THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia, Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. (these words may differ from time to time)  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**



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8:00 AM Sunday – Traditional Service

10:30 AM Sunday – Contemporary Service

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Pledged Amount for 2026: \$565,936

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