

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



WE WELCOME NEW CHILDREN OF GOD TODAY

Luke Daniel Bradley and Harrison Robert Feldtman

Sunday, July 19, 2026

10:30 A.M. Eucharist, Rite Two

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Calvary welcomes and embraces all who join us in doing the work of Christ in our community.

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING SONG - Standing on the Promises

1. *Standing on the promises of Christ my King,
Through eternal ages let his praises ring
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.*
2. *Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
Listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
Resting in my Savior as my all in all,
Standing on the promises of God.*

CHORUS:

*Standing, standing,
Standing on the promises of God my Savior
Standing, standing,
Standing on the promises of God.*

HOLY BAPTISM

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Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

There is one Body and one Spirit;

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

One God and Father of all.

THE COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son 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 28:10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and

will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, “Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!” And he was afraid, and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.”

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23

Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

Where can I go then from your Spirit? *
where can I flee from your presence?

If I climb up to heaven, you are there; *
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.

If I take the wings of the morning *
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

Even there your hand will lead me *
and your right hand hold me fast.

If I say, “Surely the darkness will cover me, *
and the light around me turn to night,”

Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; *
darkness and light to you are both alike.

Search me out, O God, and know my heart; *
try me and know my restless thoughts.

Look well whether there be any wickedness in me *
and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE SONG - Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

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| 1. What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms. | 2. Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
Leaning on the everlasting arms. |
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CHORUS:
***Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.***

- 3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has

done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON - Fr. Ralph

SERMON RESPONSE HYMN 490 - I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1. *I want to walk as a child of the light.*
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.

REFRAIN:

In Him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2. *I want to see the brightness of God.*
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear sun of righteousness shine on my path
and show me the way to the Father.

3. *I'm looking for the coming of Christ.*
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race
we shall know the joy of Jesus.

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

The Celebrant says: The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents: *I present _____ to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.*

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents: *I will, with God's help.*

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer ***I renounce them.***

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer ***I renounce them.***

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer ***I renounce them.***

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer ***I do.***

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer ***I do.***

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer ***I do.***

Then the Celebrant asks the following question of the congregation.

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these children in their life in Christ?

We will.

Let us join with these children who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT *(Standing as you are able.)*

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People ***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People ***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.***

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People ***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.***

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

Let us now pray for these children who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that this child who here is cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

_____, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

_____, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Deacon presents candle lighted from Paschal Candle with these words: Receive the light of Christ.

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized by saying together.

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Priest presents Baptism ornaments stitched by St. Clare's Needlepoint Guild

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY - Lean

1. *Trying and tripping and torn
Reaching for more, but coming up less
Why are my memories of
You as the judge, me as the mess
I want the medal - don't want to settle
I want the victory lap, You in the stands
Why is it hard to believe
You just want me - Just as I am*
2. *When did we learn to perform
To need the encore, to know who we are
When did we forget our place
Is not on a stage but safe in Your arms
When will I let go, be still and just know
When will I see, when will I just believe*

CHORUS:

*I could stand, I could fall
You want all of me
I could run, I could crawl
You will always be
You're not impressed, with all of my best
Not disappointed, when I don't land on my feet
In everything, You are asking me to lean*

BRIDGE:

*You ask me to trust
When You say I was enough
You made me lean*

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 GREAT THANKSGIVING (Standing as you are able.)

Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP 367

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. (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.)

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

***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, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 for ever. **Amen.**

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

***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

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.



Gluten Free hosts are available for communion.
Please make yourself known to the priest at the altar rail.

COMMUNION SONG 1 - Be Unto Your Name

We are a moment. You are forever.

Lord of the ages, God before time.

We are a vapor, you are eternal.

Love everlasting, reigning on high.

We are the broken. You are the healer.

Jesus Redeemer, mighty to save.

You are the love song we'll sing forever.

Bowing before you, blessing your name.

REFRAIN:

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.

Highest praises, honor, and glory

Be unto your name,

Be unto your name.

COMMUNION SONG 2 - Amazing Grace / My Chains Are Gone

***1. Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found.
Was blind, but now I see.***

***2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!***

CHORUS:

***My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood, His mercy reigns,
Unending love, Amazing Grace.***

***3. The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.***

***4. The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God, who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine.***

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.**

CLOSING SONG - Times of Refreshing

*Well, I thank you, Lord, that you are my Savior.
You're my strength and you're the rock
on which I stand.
You give me life and a grace that's greater,
When I humble myself beneath your mighty hand.*

*For the day will come when we'll all be gathered,
And the sun will rise with
healing in its wings.
And all the years of pain won't seem to matter,
When our eyes behold our Teacher and our King.*

CHORUS:

*You bring times of refreshing
You bring times of refreshing
You bring times of refreshing to my soul.
When I'm weary from the fight
And trying to do what's right
You bring times of refreshing to my soul.*

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.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in Celebration of the Holy Baptism of Harrison Robert Feldtman and Luke Daniel Bradley, shared with love by the Feldtman, Bradley, and Stafford families.

The Altar Flowers are also given to the Glory of God by Carl and Mary Roy In Honor of Their Wedding.

CALVARY WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

8:00 AM Sunday – Traditional Service

10:30 AM Sunday – Contemporary Service