

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist  
**The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
The Episcopal Church of the Advent  
Kennett Square, PA  
July 7, 2024 9:00 a.m.



**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE**

*On the Willows*

Schwartz

**OPENING HYMN**

*Amazing Grace*

#671 in the **Hymnal 1982** (blue hymnal)

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**  
*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**THE FIRST LESSON: Ezekiel 2:1-5**

The Lord said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand for the Alleluia and the reading of the Gospel.)

### GOSPEL ALLELUIA (sing 3 times)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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### THE GOSPEL – Mark 6:1-13

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

GOSPEL ALLELUIA (*sing 1 time*)



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HOMILY

The Rev. Timothy Johnson+, Rector

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**THE NICENE CREED**

**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**

*(Please kneel or remain seated for the prayers and confession.)*

## THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant* In silence, let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*A period of silence is observed.*

*Celebrant* You, O God, are full of compassion. Lord, have mercy.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You have not dealt with us according to our sins. Christ, have mercy.

*People* **Christ, have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Restore unto us the joy of your salvation. Lord, have mercy.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

**THE PEACE** (*Please stand as you are able for the Peace.*)

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

**OFFERTORY**

*O Sabbath, Rest of Galilee*

Charles Ives

Charlotte Paulsen, Mezzo

**DOXOLOGY** (*Please stand as you are able for the Doxology.*)

*Hymn tune from # 380, v. 3 in the **Hymnal 1982** – blue hymnal*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below! Praise him above you heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** (*Eucharistic Prayer 2 from Enriching Our Worship*)

*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 God thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful to give you thanks, all-holy God...

...we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*(You may remain standing, kneel, or be seated for the remainder of the prayer.)*

Blessed are you, gracious God...

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

\*Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.  
 Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

Remembering his death and resurrection...

...to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN!

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now 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.  
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.**

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

**COMMUNION HYMN**      *O Beautiful, for Spacious Skies*  
#719 in the **Hymnal 1982** (blue hymnal)

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**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.**

### **WE RETURN TO THE WORLD**

### **BLESSING**

**CLOSING HYMN**      *Mine Eyes have seen the Glory*  
#226 in the **Lift Every Voice and Sing** (black & red hymnal)

### **DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God!**

### **POSTLUDE**

*God Bless America!*

Irving Berlin

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## **Suggested Summer Spiritual Practice from Rev. Tim:**

### **The “Be Still” Prayer**

*“Be still and know that I am God.” - Psalm 46:10*

To pray this prayer, take a deep breath, and visualize yourself in God’s loving, gracious presence. After a moment or two, say either aloud or in a whisper, “Be still and know that I am God.” Pause for a moment to rest in God’s presence. After a moment or two, say, “Be still and know that I am.” Pause for a moment to rest in God’s presence, and then say, “Be still and know.” Pause for a moment to rest in God’s presence, and then say, “Be still.” Pause for a moment to rest in God’s presence, and then say, “Be.”

This prayer is one that I use nearly every day. I find it particularly helpful when I am anxious, feeling unsettled, or overextended. I hope you find it helpful also! – Rev. Tim

### **WORSHIP SUPPORT**

*Celebrant: The Reverend Timothy Johnson+, Rector*

*Lector/Eucharistic Minister: Barbara Thornton*

*Usher: Mike Bell*

*Director of Music: Wilson G. Somers*

*Director of Family Ministries: Benjamin Miller*

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