

# Holy Eucharist

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## Proper 7A: the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### Prelude

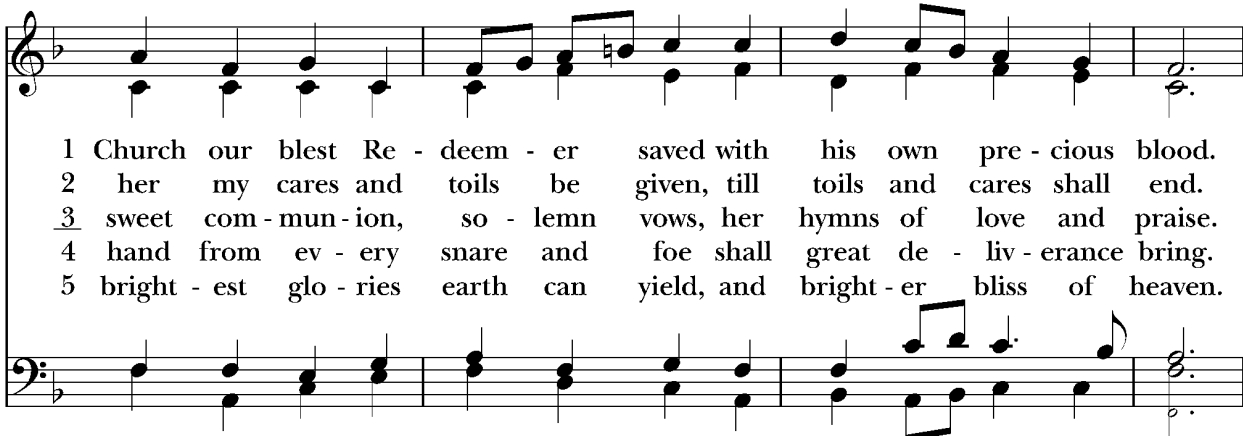
### Opening Hymn

Hymnal 524

*I love thy kingdom, Lord*



1 I love thy king-dom, Lord, the house of thine a-bode, the  
2 For her my tears shall fall; for her my prayers a-scend; to  
3 Be - yond my high - est joy I prize her heaven - ly ways, her  
4 Je - sus, thou friend di - vine, our Sa - vior and our King, thy  
5 Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zi - on shall be given the



1 Church our blest Re - deem - er saved with his own pre - cious blood.  
2 her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.  
3 sweet com - mun - ion, so - lemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.  
4 hand from ev - ery snare and foe shall great de - liv - erance bring.  
5 bright - est glo - ries earth can yield, and bright - er bliss of heaven.

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Presider begins the Collect for Purity*

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.**

The following is sung, all standing as they are able

## Song of Praise

We will glorify

## Chorus Book 23

1. We will glo - ri - fy the King of Kings; We will  
2. Lord Je - ho - vah reigns in maj - es - ty; We will  
3. He is Lord of heav - en, Lord of earth; He is  
4. Hal - le - lu - jah to the King of Kings; Hal - le -

glo - ri - fy the Lamb. We will glo - ri - fy the  
bow be - fore His throne. We will wor - ship Him in  
Lord of all who live. He is Lord a - bove the  
lu - jah to the Lamb. Hal - le - lu - jah to the

Lord of Lords, Who is the great I AM.  
righ - teous - ness; We will wor - ship Him a - lone.  
u - ni - verse; All praise to Him we give.  
Lord of Lords, Who is the great I AM.

## Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.  
People **And also with you.**  
Presider 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.**

All sit.

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17**

*Inclina, Domine*

*to be prayed responsively*

- 1 Bow down your ear, O LORD, and answer me, \*  
for I am poor and in misery.
- 2 Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; \*  
save your servant who puts his trust in you.**
- 3 Be merciful to me, O LORD, for you are my God; \*  
I call upon you all the day long.
- 4 Gladden the soul of your servant, \*  
for to you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.**
- 5 For you, O LORD, are good and forgiving, \*  
and great is your love toward all who call upon you.
- 6 Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer, \*  
and attend to the voice of my supplications.**
- 7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, \*  
for you will answer me.

**8 Among the gods there is none like you, O LORD, \*  
nor anything like your works.**

9 All nations you have made will come and worship you, O LORD, \*  
and glorify your Name.

**10 For you are great;  
you do wondrous things; \*  
and you alone are God.**

16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; \*  
give your strength to your servant;  
and save the child of your handmaid.

**17 Show me a sign of your favor,  
so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; \*  
because you, O LORD, have helped me and comforted me.**

## **Second Reading**

Romans 6:1b-11

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

<sup>1b</sup>Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For whoever has died is freed from sin. <sup>8</sup>But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord.

*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand as they are able.*

## **Sequence Hymn**

*Beneath the cross of Jesus*

**Hymnal 498**

1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand,  
 3 I take, O cross, thy sha-dow for my a - bid - ing place;

the sha - dow of a might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land,  
 I ask no o - ther sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;

a home with - in the wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,  
 con - tent to let my pride go by, to know no gain nor loss,

from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat, and the bur - den of the day.  
 my sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all the cross.

*All remain standing as they are able.*

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 10:24-39

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

[Jesus said to the twelve apostles,] <sup>24</sup>“A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup>it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

<sup>26</sup>“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup>What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup>Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup>So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.



<sup>32</sup>“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

<sup>34</sup>“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

<sup>35</sup>For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;

<sup>36</sup>and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

<sup>37</sup>Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; <sup>38</sup>and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup>Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

*Gospeller*  
*People*

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

## Sermon

Dr Larry Odom-Groh

*All stand as they are able.*

## Nicene Creed

*Presider* Let us affirm the faith of the Church using the words of 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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**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],  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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.**

*All remain standing as they are able.*

## **Prayers of the People**

*Presider* Sisters and brothers, children of God, praise the Lord! Our God is faithful, and hears our prayers; so let us pray, “In your great mercy, O God, answer us with your unfailing help.”

*Intercessor* To the baptized, O God, grant newness of life. Strengthen us to follow in the footsteps of your Son. In your great mercy, O God, **answer us with your unfailing help.**

*Silence is kept*

To the nations of earth, O God of hosts, grant freedom and peace. Deliver the lives of the needy from the hands of evildoers. In your great mercy, O God, **answer us with your unfailing help.**

*Silence is kept*

To your created order, O God, grant your help. May the waters, soil, and air be made clean and healthy again. In your great mercy, O God, **answer us with your unfailing help.**

*Silence is kept*

To this city of Chelsea, O God, grant your deliverance. Set us free from animosity, violence and destruction. Make our streets places where all delight to travel. In your great mercy, O God, **answer us with your unfailing help.**

*Silence is kept*

To all of us, blessed by your abundance, give a due sense of gratitude [especially for \_\_\_\_\_].

To those who feel the deep about to swallow them, O God, grant your salvation. In your great compassion, turn to all those in need [especially \_\_\_\_\_].

To the dead, O God, grant life eternal with Christ. May [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all those who have been baptized into the death of Christ be united with him in his resurrection. In your great mercy, O God, **answer us with your unfailing help.**

*Silence is kept*

*Presider* For what other people and situations shall we pray today?

Remember, O Lord, what you have wrought in us, and not what we deserve. As you have called us to your service, make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **Confession of Sin**

*The Presider says to the people*

Let us confess our sins to God.

*All remain standing, or kneel, as they are able.*

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister 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.**

*A Priest stands and says*



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.**

*All stand as they are able*

## **Peace**

*Presider* The peace of Christ be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*The People then are seated.*

## **Announcements**

## **Holy Communion**

*Presider* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

*The people stand as they are able when the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.*

## **Offertory Hymn**

## **Doxology**

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, you heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

*The people remain standing as they are able*

## **Great Thanksgiving**

*Presider* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Presider* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The Presider proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Presider continues*

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:

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Presider continues*

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



1. I can hear my Sav - ior call - ing, — “Take thy cross and fol - low, fol-low me.”

Where He leads me I will fol-low, — Where He leads me I will fol - low, —

Where He leads me I will fol-low, — I’ll go with Him, with Him all the way.

*After Communion, the Presider says*

Let us pray.

*Presider and People*

**Loving God,  
 we give you thanks  
 for restoring us in your image  
 and nourishing us with spiritual food  
 in the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood.  
 Now send us forth  
 a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;  
 that we may proclaim your love to the world  
 and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## **Blessing**

*A priest blesses the people, saying*

May the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

**LEVAS 136**

*I have decided to follow Jesus*

1. I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus; I have de -  
 2. The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me; The world be -  
 3. Tho' none go with me, still I will fol - low; Tho' none go  
 4. Will you de - cide now to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de -

cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus; I have de - cid - ed to fol - low  
 hind me, the cross be - fore me; The world be - hind me, the cross be -  
 with me, still I will fol - low; Tho' none go with me, still I will  
 cide now to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de - cide now to fol - low

Je - sus; No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.  
 fore me; No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.  
 fol - low; No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.  
 Je - sus? No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.

## Dismissal

*Minister* Go forth into this world. Don't be afraid. Don't be ashamed to be people of love. Go forth into this world in joy, and help us to change it from the nightmare it often is, into the dream that God intends.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## Postlude

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**This week in prayer**

**Please remember these persons and congregations in your prayers this week:**

**Our Bishops** Bonnie, Michael, Justin, Moises (TEC); Elizabeth, Donald and Craig (ELCA) **and for** all priests, deacons, Ministry Teams, and those in formation

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

June 25 The Church of Bangladesh

**Diocese of Michigan Cycle of Prayer:**

June 25 Christ Church, Adrian; Trinity Church, St Clair Shores; Church of the Incarnation, La Romana, DR

**St Barnabas Cycle of Prayer:** Alan, Kitty, Linda, Scott

**and our continuing prayers for:** Bob, Carlos, Robert, Selenah, Jim M, Mardi

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**Faith in Action** continues to provide leadership in collecting donations of food to support households in need in the Chelsea and Dexter areas. They are in need of our support and help. You may bring your donations to FIA, or to [Nancy](#) who will see that they get there. **If you bring food directly to FIA**, please let Nancy know, so she can continue to keep our records of donation. If you write a check, please make it to *Faith In Action*. The **next Food Drive is July 16**. Please contribute as generously as you can.

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**Upcoming Commemorations**

- June 25 James Weldon Johnson, Poet, 1938
- 26 Isabel Florence Hapgood, Ecumenist, 1923
- 27 Cornelius Hill: Priest and Chief among the Oneida, 1907
- 28 Irenaeus of Lyons, Bishop and Theologian, c.202
- 29 The Apostles Peter and Paul
- July 01 Pauli Murray, Priest, 1985; and,  
Harriet Beecher Stowe: Writer and Prophetic Witness, 1896

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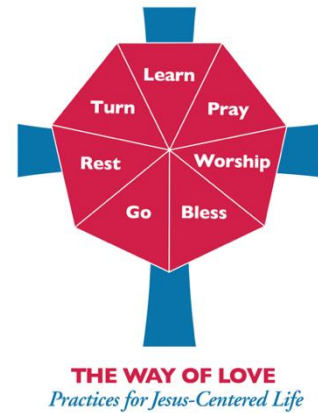


**Explore the Way of Love: BLESS**

The Christian tradition calls us not just to believe, but also to bless the world with the Good News that we have learned.

As the writer of Mark’s Gospel tells us, Jesus said, “Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.” When we incorporate the practice of Blessing others into our lives, we are putting our love *into* action by becoming the Good News for others.

As part of the Way of Love, Blessing gives us a way to follow the example of Jesus. Just as Jesus was a leader and a teacher, he also was a son, a friend, a servant. Jesus understood the need to know and be known by those in his community and beyond. He understood that being seen, invited, and welcomed are ways of sharing blessing.



Likewise, we are called to know and be known, in the name of love. We are called to see, invite, and welcome as living examples of Good News. Just as the apostles were called to give and teach and heal, we are called to give the gifts we have to bless, as God has given so much to us. To seek, name, and celebrate the presence of God’s love in our lives and the lives of others is part of being good news.

We are called to work together as we share this love so that we are not alone in our work, but acting together as the Body of Christ, being his hands and feet in this world, we bring the Good News to life for people here and now.

Being part of a worshipping and serving community is part of the Good News. As the writer of Hebrews tells us: “Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.” We are called to give freely of our resources, our stories and experiences, our time and our attention. And we are called to invite others into this Way of Love. We blessed *ourselves* in the process. *Others* will be blessed in the process.

This is how the world will come to know who we are and what we believe: Through the way we bless them.

Will you commit to the practice of blessing others? Are there others you know who are blessing others, who you can join with to multiply those blessings?

Learn more about the Way of Love at [episcopalchurch.org/wayoflove](http://episcopalchurch.org/wayoflove). You can find suggestions on getting started and going deeper with Blessing at [iam.ec/ewol](http://iam.ec/ewol).

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