

# ALL SOULS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

2300 CATHEDRAL AVE—WASHINGTON, D.C.

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## THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2026 AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

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*The mission of All Souls Church is to be a Christ-centered sanctuary where a diverse and inclusive community worships and serves. We live this mission through faithful celebration of the Eucharist, Christian education, and loving nurture of both members and neighbors. Welcome to our Visitors!*

We are thankful for your presence with us today and we invite you to join us as we worship God. The liturgy comes from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the music from the blue Hymnal 1982 and the beige African American Heritage Hymnal (AAHH). The “S” music is found in the service section in the front of the Blue Hymnal. All books are found in the pew racks. Where the rubrics invite the people to stand or kneel, an individual may remain seated.

If you are a visitor, please fill out a visitor card and give to an usher.

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please stand.*

**VOLUNTARY**

Air

Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

**HYMN 544** (*Blue Hymnal*)

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

*Duke Street*

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

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

*People* ***And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.***

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*Celebrant* **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.***

*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 OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* ***And also with you.***  
*Celebrant* Let us pray,

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 COLLECT FOR THE NATION

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!  
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!  
Lo, your king comes to you;  
triumphant and victorious is he,  
humble and riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.  
He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim  
and the war horse from Jerusalem;  
and the battle bow shall be cut off,  
and he shall command peace to the nations;  
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.  
As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,  
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.  
Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;  
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

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

PSALM 145:8-15

*Said responsively by verse*

- <sup>8</sup> The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- <sup>9</sup> **The Lord is loving to everyone \***  
**and his compassion is over all his works.**
- <sup>10</sup> All your works praise you, O Lord, \*  
and your faithful servants bless you.
- <sup>11</sup> **They make known the glory of your kingdom \***  
**and speak of your power;**
- <sup>12</sup> That the peoples may know of your power \*  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- <sup>13</sup> **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; \***  
**your dominion endures throughout all ages.**

<sup>14</sup>The Lord is faithful in all his words \*  
and merciful in all his deeds.

<sup>15</sup>**The Lord upholds all those who fall; \*  
he lifts up those who are bowed down.**

THE EPISTLE

Romans 7:15-25a

I DO NOT UNDERSTAND MY OWN ACTIONS. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

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

*The people stand.*

SEQUENCE HYMN 11 (*Blue Hymnal*)    Awake, my soul, and with the sun    *Morning Hymn*  
*Sung by all.*

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

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

JESUS SAID TO THE CROWD, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Sara E. Palmer, Rector

*A brief time of silent reflection is kept after the sermon.*

*The people stand.*

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.*

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Leader* Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

*People* *That we all may be one.*

*Leader* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

*People* *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

*Leader* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

*People* *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

*Leader* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

*People* *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

*Leader* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

*People* *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

*Leader* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

*People* *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

*Leader* Give to the departed eternal rest.

*People* *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

*Leader* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*People* *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

*Leader* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

*Celebrant* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*The people kneel*

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.*

*Celebrant* 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

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* *And also with you.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*If you have had a birthday or anniversary this past week, please come forward for a special prayer.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE OFFERTORY

*The Celebrant gives an offertory sentence.*

*The offering plate will be passed by the ushers. You may also donate by texting ALLSOULS to 73256, or by scanning the QR codes.*



**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**  
*Sung by Cantor*

**On Eagle's Wings**

**Michael Joncas (b.1951)**

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord  
Who abide in His shadow for life  
Say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

*Refrain* And He will raise you up on eagles' wings  
Bear you on the breath of dawn

Make you to shine like the sun  
And hold you in the palm of His hand  
The snare of the fowler will never capture you  
And famine will bring you no fear  
Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield

*Refrain*

You need not fear the terror of the night  
Nor the arrow that flies by day  
Though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come

*Refrain*

For to His angels He's given a command  
To guard you in all of your ways  
Upon their hands they will bear you up  
Lest you dash your foot against a stone

*Refrain*

And hold you, hold you in the palm of His hand.

*The people stand.*

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*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 our Lord God.

*People* ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

*Celebrant* 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 sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS S 129 (*Front of Blue Hymnal*)  
*Sung by all.*

Robert Powell (1932-2025)

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

*The people kneel*

*Celebrant*

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,

*All*

*We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;*

*Celebrant*

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 say,

*All*            *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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.  
A period of silence is kept.*

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

FRACTION ANTHEM S 164 (*Front of Blue Hymnal*)  
*Sung by all*

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

*Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:  
give us your peace, give us your peace.*

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Celebrant*    *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. Everybody, everybody, everybody is welcome at the  
table of the Lord!*

*The people may sit or remain kneeling.*

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. To receive the chalice, gently guide the base of the chalice with your hand to allow the rim to reach your lips. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the bread) into the chalice. Receiving in one kind (bread alone) is full communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your arms across your chest. Those who wish to have Holy Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.*

HYMN AAHH 347 (*Beige Hymnal*)  
*Sung by all.*

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling

*Thompson*

*The people kneel*

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* ***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

*Celebrant* **MAY ALMIGHTY GOD, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *Amen.***

Fiends, life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel this way with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind.

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

HYMN 719 (*Blue Hymnal*)  
*Sung by all.*

O beautiful for spacious skies

*Materna*

## DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

## VOLUNTARY

Variations on "America"

Charles Ives  
(1874-1954)



***Please join us in the Undercroft after service for Coffee Hour***

*Thank you for joining us today at All Souls.*

*We are grateful to have you with us and invite you to return and worship with us again.*



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