

July 19 - July 20, 2025
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Readings

First Reading

A Reading from Genesis

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre,
as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day.
He looked up and saw three men standing near him.
When he saw them, Abraham ran from the tent entrance to meet them
and bowed down to the ground.

Abraham said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant.
Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet,
And rest yourselves under the tree.
Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves,
And after that, you may pass on—since you have come to your servant."

So they said, "Do as you have said."
And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said,
"Make ready, quickly, three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes."
Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good,
and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it.

Then Abraham took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared
and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent."
Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season,
and your wife Sarah shall have a son."
And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him.

(pause)

Reader: **Word of God, word of Life.**
Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

Second Reading

A Reading from Colossians

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake,
and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions
for the sake of Christ's body, that is, the church.
I became its minister according to God's commission
that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known,
the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations
but has now been revealed to God's saints.

To them, God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles
are the riches of the glory of this mystery,
which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.
It is Christ whom we proclaim,
warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom,
so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

(pause)

Reader: **Word of God, word of Life.**

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

A Proclamation of the Holy Gospel According to Luke

Now, as they went on their way,
Jesus entered a certain village
where a woman named Martha welcomed him.
She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus' feet
and listened to what he was saying.

But Martha was distracted by her many tasks,
so she came to Jesus and asked,
“Lord, do you not care that my sister
has left me to do all the work by myself?
Tell her, then, to help me.”

But the Lord answered her,
“Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things,
but few things are needed—indeed, only one.
Mary has chosen the better part,
which will not be taken away from her.”

Pastor: **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Congregation: Thanks be to God.