



# St. Jude's Episcopal Church

*Seeking and Worshipping God, Reaching out to Others*

June 14, 2026

Third Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am Holy Eucharist and Healing

--- Everyone is WELCOME here, for everyone is beloved by GOD ---

**Good morning!** We are blessed by your presence and participation in worship. Today, special prayers for Healing will be offered during the time of Communion, in the Library (the room next to the Sanctuary). All are welcome – receive Communion first, and then step into the Library. Let the ministers know what you'd like to pray for.

Our scriptures continue the stories that we began last week. Abraham and Sarah, encamped near Canaan, receive mysterious visitors who have astonishing news! Paul tells the Romans more about being “justified by faith” in Jesus. And Matthew’s Gospel account names the twelve disciples and describes their first assignments.

**Are you new to our church?** We'd love to get better acquainted. Please leave your name and email or phone number in one of our guestbooks, located at both entrances of the worship space; or by filling out one of the Welcome cards in the pew.

**All persons who desire to receive Holy Communion are served here,** no questions asked. We offer home-made Bread, with gluten-free wafers as an option. Either form may be dipped into the small bowl of wine; or, consume your bread and sip wine from the chalice that follows. Or neither: just cross your arms over your chest. You may also ask a blessing from the priest.

**Hymn #** These hymns are located in the blue Hymnal 1982 in your pew.

**WLP #** These hymns are located in the green hymnal books that will be handed out.

## *The Gathering of the Community*

Prelude \_\_\_\_\_

Opening Hymn #493 \_\_\_\_\_ *O for a thousand tongues to sing*

## Open Acclamation & Collect

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

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

*Presider* 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Song of Praise: *Glory and Praise* \_\_\_\_\_ a psalm refrain by Dan Schutte

Sung twice

Melody  
Harmony

Glo - ry and praise to our God, \_\_\_\_\_ who a - lone gives  
light to our days. \_\_\_\_\_ Man - y are the  
bless-ings he bears to those who trust in his ways. \_\_\_\_\_

*f* *(^)* *Fine*

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a forte dynamic marking. The melody is primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The piece concludes with a fermata over the final note, a repeat sign, and the word 'Fine'.

## Collect of the Day

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider* Let us pray, together.

**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.**

## *The Proclamation of the Word*

*Please be seated.*

**The First Reading** \_\_\_\_\_ *Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7*

*Reader*            A Reading from the Book of 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, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He 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 he 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. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh."

The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Now Sarah said, "God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me." And she said, "Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.    **Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm** \_\_\_\_\_ *Psalm 116:1,10-17*

- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, \*  
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
- 10 How shall I repay the Lord \*  
for all the good things he has done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation \*  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
in the presence of all his people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the Lord \*  
is the death of his servants.
- 14 O Lord, I am your servant; \*  
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
in the presence of all his people,
- 17 In the courts of the Lord's house, \*  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

**The Second Reading** \_\_\_\_\_ *Romans 5:1-8*

*Reader* A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the

right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person ~ though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

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**Sequence Hymn, *Will you come and follow me?* \_\_\_\_\_ By John L. Bell**



1. Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name? \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. Will you leave your - self me - hind if I but call your name? \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name? \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call you name? \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call my name. \_\_\_\_\_



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Will you set the pris - oners free and nev - er be the same? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Let me turn and fol - ow you and nev - er be the same. \_\_\_\_\_



Will you let my love be shown; \_\_\_\_\_ will you let my name be known; \_\_\_\_\_  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare \_\_\_\_\_ should your life at - tract or scare? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, \_\_\_\_\_ and do such as this un - seen, \_\_\_\_\_  
 Will you use the faith you've found \_\_\_\_\_ to re - shape the world a - round, \_\_\_\_\_  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go \_\_\_\_\_ where your love and foot - steps show. \_\_\_\_\_



will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?  
 Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?  
 and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?  
 through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?  
 Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

**The Gospel Reading *Please stand as able* \_\_\_\_\_ Matthew 9:35-10:8**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

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

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

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

**The Sermon** *Please be seated* \_\_\_\_\_ *The Rev. Susan Anslow Williams*  
*Please remain in silence for a moment of reflection following the sermon.*

**The Nicene Creed** *Please stand* \_\_\_\_\_

**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

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*Deacon* At the close of a school year and beginning of vacations, let us bring our prayers to the Lord, seeking God's presence for peace, healing, and protection.

*Leader* That this summer season may be a time of spiritual and physical refreshment. May our church, and all congregations of the diocese, be places of hospitality and unconditional welcome. We pray for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Anne our assisting bishop, all clergy and lay leaders. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

That the warmth of the sun may inspire a warmth of compassion in the hearts of those who govern, especially Donald our President and Gretchen our Governor, the Congress and Supreme Court. Lead them to enact policies that bring peace, justice, and care for the most vulnerable. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

That God will be with all who travel during these months. Keep them safe from harm, and grant that their times of rest and recreation may renew their minds, encourage their faith, and strengthen their bonds with family and friends. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

That the beauty of God's creation will inspire us to be good stewards of the earth. As we enjoy the natural resources of our state and places we may visit, help us to preserve their goodness for future generations. Give us courage and opportunities

to reach out to our neighbors in need, ensuring that no one is left behind or forgotten during the summer months. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

That those who are isolated or burdened by illness may feel the comforting, healing presence of Christ. Bring relief to those who suffer, and grant patience to their caregivers. Bless those who seek you in the sacrament of Healing today. We pray especially for everyone on our prayer list, and those we name aloud ... Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the departed, that they may be welcomed into the eternal summer of God's heavenly kingdom, where there is no more pain or sorrow, and light perpetual shines upon them. Bring comfort to those who mourn, and a vision of reunion with those they love. We remember especially those we name ...

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

*Presider* Almighty and ever-living God, you have created the earth and its seasons, and encouraged days of Sabbath rest for all who labor. Hear the prayers we offer this day, and grant us the grace to live as your faithful disciples in every season of our lives. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Confession of Sin,** *please stand or kneel* \_\_\_\_\_

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins to God. *Silence*

*People* **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.**

**We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us, through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

**Absolution** *is pronounced by the priest*

**The Peace** *Please stand* \_\_\_\_\_

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

*Let us greet one another with the Peace of Christ!*

Milestones and Announcements \_\_\_\_\_

Stump the Priest! \_\_\_\_\_ Answering your questions

The Offertory, following an invitation to generosity from the priest



If you wish to give online, point your phone's camera at the QR code to the right and tap the webpage that pops up. It will take you to the St. Jude's online giving form.

Offertory Anthem \_\_\_\_\_ Though the Mountains May Fall

The Doxology Please stand & join in singing \_\_\_\_\_ Old 100<sup>th</sup>

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*The Celebration of the Eucharist*

Supplemental Eucharistic Prayer 2 \_\_\_\_\_ EOW1

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 God thanks and praise.**

*The Presider continues*

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

## Sanctus, WLP # 858; *sung by all*



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

*The people remain standing or may kneel. The Presider continues*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts + that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, + the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Jude, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we make our prayer:



Our Fath-er in heav - en, \_\_\_\_\_ hal-low-ed be your Name. \_\_\_\_\_ your King-dom come, your will be  
done, on earth as in heav - en. \_\_\_\_\_ Give us our dail-ly bread. \_\_\_\_\_ For-give us our sins \_\_\_\_\_ as we for-  
give those \_\_\_\_\_ who sin a- gainst us. \_\_\_\_\_ Save us from the time of trial, \_\_\_\_\_ and save us from  
e - vil. \_\_\_\_\_ For yours is the king-dom, pow'r and the glo-ry, now and for e-ver more. \_\_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_\_ men. \_\_\_\_\_

### **The Breaking of Bread,** *silence follows* \_\_\_\_\_ *EOW1*

*Priest* We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

*Response* We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

### **Invitation to Communion** \_\_\_\_\_ *Iona Community*

*Priest* Come to the Table set for you: not because of how you feel,  
but because God has food for you.  
Come, not because you deserve a place,  
but because Jesus invites you, just as you are.

Come, not because you are free from doubts,  
but because God's love will set you free from their hold.

Deacon These are the gifts of God for you, the beloved people of God.

## The Communion

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Please be seated until invited by the Ushers to come forward, or let them know if you would like Communion brought to you in the pew. **All are welcome** but no one is obliged to receive. If you would prefer not to receive Communion, please cross your arms across your chest indicating you would like to receive a blessing instead. Our bread contains gluten; we have gluten-free rice wafers if you prefer. The wine may be sipped from the chalice, or wait to intinct (dip your bread) into the small bowl of blessed wine. Please do not intinct into the chalice.

Today the **Sacrament of Healing** is also offered at this time, in the Library. Please receive Communion first.

## At Communion (sung several times) *Calm to the waves*



Calm to the waves, calm to the wind, Je - sus whis - pers, "Peace, be still."



Balm to our hearts, fears at an end, in still-ness, hear his voice.

## Hymn #348 *Lord, we have come at your own invitation*

## WLP #827 (sung several times) *O Lord, hear my prayer*

**Prayer after Communion** *Please stand as able* \_\_\_\_\_ EOW1

*Priest* Let us pray.

*People* 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.

The Blessing \_\_\_\_\_

### *The Sending Out*

Sending Out Hymn #494 \_\_\_\_\_ *Crown him with many crowns*

Sending Out \_\_\_\_\_

*The Deacon dismisses the congregation, after which the people respond:*

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

Postlude \_\_\_\_\_

The Flowers that decorate our altar this morning were given  
by Bob and Terri Hutchins  
in honor of their third great grandson, Hudson Alexander.

*If you are an Eucharistic Minister, stick around following the service for a short training with  
our new Lay Eucharistic Ministers.*

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**Serving at the Liturgy Today**

**Next Sunday**

Presiding	Rev. Susan Williams & Rev. Bill McDonald	Rev. Mike Marinco
Deacon	The Rev Dcn Judy Marinco	Rev. Judy Marinco
Music Leader, Guitar	Katie Young	Katie Young
Organist!	Ron Spaulding	Ron Spaulding
Eucharistic Minister	Rev. Wayne Knotts	Lynn Hopper
Intinction Cup	Lynn Hopper	Amy Freeman
Reader	Dave Rayner	Dave James
Prayers	Denise Rayner	Debbie James
Ushers	Nancy D., Lynne R.	D & D James
Live-streamer	Paul Dolza	Lynn Hopper
Vestry P. of the Day	Charlie Johnston	Mark Jagos
Altar Guild	Terri H., Francine J.	Sarah D & Lisa C
Coffee Hour	The Hills	The Dolzas

**The Alzheimers Association of Michigan** will return to St Jude’s on three Saturdays: **June 20, July 18 and August 15, from 10:30 am – 12 noon**; to lead presentations about the early stages of this progressive disease. Each class will be in two parts: half for the person diagnosed, and the other half for their partner or primary caregiver, so that each will know what to expect. To register, you must contact the Alzheimers Association (NOT our office) by calling 800-272-3900. Please share this information with family and friends who might be helped by attending.

Due to lack of volunteers, **we will NOT have a booth at this year's Fenton Pride Night** on Saturday, June 20. Hopefully, we will be able to participate again next year.

**Parish Family Picnic – June 28 at Bush Park!** We will gather at our usual time of 10:30 am over at [Bush Park, from Jefferson St.](#) (about 5 minutes from church). We will post signs on the church doors, just in case anyone forgets. We'll begin with worship under the Pavilion, then lunch, then fun & games! Social committee is providing hotdogs, buns, condiments and bottled water. Please sign up to bring a Salad, Chips, Dessert, or “Miscellany” like an appetizer or beverages. There will be tables and benches but you may want to bring a more comfortable **lawn** chair as well.

### **Taking Pride in our Welcome**

One of the hallmarks of St Jude's is the warm welcome that visitors receive. Whenever I have asked both new and long-time parishioners “Why St Jude's?” the answer has been, “I felt welcomed and wanted, right away.”

A hallmark of the whole Episcopal Church, internationally, is the welcome we provide LGBTQ+ (or simply, “queer”) folk who want to worship and belong, as themselves. We don't discriminate with our sacraments or leadership opportunities. We don't call anyone out from the pulpit, or condemn their kids/grandkids in sermons.

Not every Episcopalian feels the same way about sexual orientations and identities, but we've noticed that Jesus never talks about the topic of sexuality at all. So we try, at the very least, to “live and let live” and not talk about it either!

Pride Month, June, is an excellent time to get more public about our welcoming attitude and practices. Do we come across as a safe place for queer Christians and their families? Would someone comeback after trying us out on a random Sunday? The Vestry has given the go-ahead for a study group on *Building an Inclusive Church*, an action plan which begins with testing our level of welcoming and then builds upon it, with church growth as a consequence.

If you would be interested in joining this effort, **talk to Rev. Susan, Liz Sailus, Mark Jagos or Megan Rosa.** And keep up the welcoming – it's more important than ever.

