



St. Jude's Episcopal Church

Seeking and Worshipping God, Reaching out to Others

August 9, 2026,
The 11th Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 am Holy Eucharist

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

Trusting in God, when stepping forward looks impossible: that is the challenge in our Scripture lessons this morning. Peter wants to walk on water, just like Jesus – until he starts to think about what he's doing! The next generation of Abraham's family is introduced: the many sons of Jacob, who deeply resent the favoritism shown by their father to young Joseph. Will God thwart their plans to get rid of him? St Paul addresses *trusting God* within the context of the Bible itself, quoting from Deuteronomy and extending God's promises to Gentiles as well as Jews.

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. And, please stay for refreshments.

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 # 608 _____ *Eternal Father, strong to save*

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: S-277, *Glory to God*

setting by David Hurd

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,

2. Lord God hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,

we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son on the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the world:

have mer - cy on us: 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther:

re - ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. You a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - - - men.

Collect of the Day _____

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray, together.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

Please be seated.

The First Reading _____ Genesis 34:1-4,12-28

Reader A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the

pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams.” But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, “Let us not take his life.” Reuben said to them, “Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him” — that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, “What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.” And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

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

The Psalm _____ *Psalm 105, 1-6, 16-22, 45b*

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous works.
- 3 Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
- 4 Search for the Lord and his strength; *
continually seek his face.
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
- 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
O children of Jacob his chosen.
- 16 Then he called for a famine in the land *
and destroyed the supply of bread.

- 17 He sent a man before them, *
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.
18 They bruised his feet in fetters; *
his neck they put in an iron collar.
19 Until his prediction came to pass, *
the word of the Lord tested him.
20 The king sent and released him; *
the ruler of the peoples set him free.
21 He set him as a master over his household,
as a ruler over all his possessions,
22 To instruct his princes according to his will
and to teach his elders wisdom.
45 Hallelujah!

The Second Reading _____ *Romans 10:5-15*

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

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).

But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written,

“How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

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Sequence Hymn: WLP #740 _____ *Wade in the water*

The Gospel Reading *Remain standing as able* _____ *Matthew 14:22-33*

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

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

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

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 _____

<i>Deacon</i>	Let our prayers give voice to the needs of the world, the church, and those who suffer; as we trust in the promise of our Savior that God will hear and respond.
<i>Leader</i>	We pray for the Church, especially those who risk their own comfort or safety in order to follow Jesus. Bless Sean our Presiding Bishop, Anne our Assisting Bishop, and the candidates for our Diocesan Bishop: Terri, Zack and Holly. Give us all ready hearts and hands to serve the least and the lost. Lord, in your mercy,
<i>Response</i>	Hear our prayer.
<i>Leader</i>	We pray for our nation in this time of political division, wars overseas, and economic distress, that our leaders may respond to your call for peace, justice and mercy. We pray for the people of Iran and Lebanon, Ukraine and Russia, Gaza and Israel; and for victims of earthquakes and other disaster. Lord, in your mercy,
<i>Response</i>	Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for this community, for the well-being of all families, migrants and refugees, and for persons confined in prison or detention. Lord, in your mercy,

Response **Hear our prayer.**

Leader For the sick and the suffering, especially those on our Prayer List and those we name aloud... That their cries for healing, comfort and dignity may be answered soon. Lord, in your mercy,

Response **Hear our prayer.**

Leader For those who are near death and those who have died, especially the people we name... Welcome them into your heavenly home, and bring us there, too, with all your saints, in the great reunion of eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

Response **Hear our prayer.**

Presider Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus 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 Hymn, ELW #763 _____ "How can I keep from singing?"



- 1 My life flows on in end-less song; a-bove earth's lam-en-ta-tion,
- 2 Through all the tu-mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring-ing.
- 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv-eth.
- 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev-er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre-a-tion.
It finds an ech-o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
What though the dark-ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv-eth.
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

The Doxology *Please stand & join in singing* _____ *Old 100th*

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 1 _____ *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 our thanks and praise.**

Priest It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus: S-124 _____ *setting by David Hurd*

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.

The people may kneel or remain standing, as the priest continues the prayer

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care, that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery in Egypt, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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, 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 poured out for you and for all, for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Priest Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Mary the God-bearer, Jude and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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.**

The Lord's Prayer

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
**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 Bread, *silence follows*

Fraction Anthem: S-154 *setting by David Hurd*



Invitation to Communion

Iona Community

Priest The table of bread and wine is now ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him.

Deacon It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself.

Priest It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate.

Deacon So come to the table, for it is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

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

The Communion

*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 over 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 (please assist the chalice-bearer) or hold up your bread as you wait to intinct (dip your bread) into the small bowl of blessed wine. Please do not intinct into the chalice.*

Hymns at Communion:

Hymn #482 _____ Lord of all hopefulness

WLP #812 _____ Here I am, Lord

Prayer after Communion *Please stand as able* _____ Church of England

Priest Let us pray.

People Gracious God, lover of all,
in this sacrament we are one family in Christ your Son,
one in the sharing of his body and blood
and one in the communion of his Spirit:
help us to grow in love for one another
and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ.
We make our prayer through Jesus your Son, our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Sending Out Hymn #660 _____ O Master, let me walk with thee

Sending Out

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

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<u>Serving at the Liturgy Today</u>		<u>Next Sunday</u>
Presiding	Rev. Susan Williams	Rev. Susan Anslow Williams
Deacon	Rev. Judy Marinco	off
Organist	Ron Spaulding	Ron Spaulding
Eucharistic Minister	Dave Rayner	Mary Louise Susalla
Intinction Cup	Annette Boyd	Amy Freeman
Reader	Dolores Ruby	Ellen Tripp
Prayers	Denise Rayner	Dave Rayner
Ushers	Charlie J, Jessica M	Lisa & Kelly Cronk
Live-streamer	Paul Dolza	Lynn Hopper
Vestry P. of the Day	??	Dolores Ruby
Altar Guild	Terri H, Francine J	Sarah D, Lisa C
Coffee Hour	Diane & Doug Hill	Nancy Day

This Week at St. Jude’s:

Wednesday, 8/12 6 pm: Outreach Meeting
Saturday, 8/15 10:30 am: Alzheimer’s Seminar, Part III

Prayer List

Pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Anne, our Assisting Bishop; for all lay and ordained leaders in the Diocese of the Great Lakes; for Terri, Zack and Holly, candidates for our first Bishop; for Susan, our Priest-in-Charge; for Judy, our Deacon; for the Vestry.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Elizabeth’s, Higgins Lake - Yvonne Dustan, Senior Warden; Grace Church, Luddington - Mick Shriver, Rector

Our prayers for healing and comfort are asked for: Donald, Chuck, Molly, Matt, Jenny, Jerry, Harvey, Melissa, Brian, Abby, Marilyn, Jeri, Pam, Ron, Tim, Tony, Emily Jane, Bobby, Francine, Anna, Jan, Nina, Ellen, Nole, Toñio and the Salcedo family, Kathy, Sarah, Charles and Genevieve

New office hours beginning this week!

Starting tomorrow, Monday, August 10, we will have new office hours. The office will be staffed by volunteers Monday – Thursday, 9 am – Noon. Rev. Susan will be in Tuesdays-Thursday during the day. Liz, our administrator, will be in Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons/evenings.

Life Line Health Screenings - Volunteers Needed

Life Line Screening is coming to use our hall for their health screenings Monday, August 24th. We need people who can come in that day and be “building sitters”. There is a sign up on the bulletin board in Vandenberg Hall.

We could really use **more forever stamps for our card ministry**. There is a basket on the table outside the office for stamp or card donations or you can give stamps to Lynne Ronthi who heads our card ministry. Thank you.

RaiseRight Fundraising

We have a new fundraiser that we are trying out. You can download an app or go to RaiseRight.com and purchase physical and e-gift cards to use at all kinds of business. You can also use the app to access online purchasing. A small percentage of every purchase you make will go back to St. Jude's. **There is a QR code on the bulletin board** in Vandenberg Hall or you can ask Liz in the church office for the enrollment code, needed in order for proceeds to reach St. Jude's. Ask Liz in the office if you have any questions.

An Inquirer's Class for adults interested in being Confirmed or Received in November, or just wanting to know more about the Episcopal Church, will begin in a few weeks. We need to know the meeting-time preferences of our prospective students. See the August “Beacon” newsletter or the weekly email for a link to the survey, or talk to Rev. Susan after church.

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Jesus Calms the Storm

He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. Mark 4:39

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
J	C	L	H	Z	V	P	B	D	M	S	W	E	R	G	U	A	Y	I	Q	X	O	F	T	K	N

1. 23-17-19-24-4 _____

2. 12-19-26-9 _____

3. 2-17-3-10 _____

4. 22-8-13-18 _____

5. 11-12-17-10-7-13-9 _____

6. 12-17-6-13-11 _____

7. 9-14-22-12-26 _____

8. 8-22-17-24 _____

BOAT WIND	WAVES SWAMPED	DROWN CALM	FAITH OBEY
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