



# St. Jude's Episcopal Church

*Seeking and Worshipping God, Reaching out to Others*

July 13, 2025  
The 5th Sunday after Pentecost  
10:30 am Holy Eucharist

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

This summer, our readings from the Hebrew Scriptures are a quick survey of the prophets. Today we meet Amos, a northern prophet from ca 750 BCE, who would rather stay home on his farm than be inspired to criticize Israel's rulers. But sometimes God calls us out of our comfort zones! Our Epistles will come from Colossians for a few weeks, starting today. And the familiar Gospel story of "the Good Samaritan" still makes us ponder caring for neighbors.

**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 gluten-free Bread, which 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.

**Titles with an \*** denote a specially-requested hymn for our summer worship.

## *The Gathering of the Community*

Prelude \_\_\_\_\_

Opening Hymn #390 \_\_\_\_\_ *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

## 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:** "Let the whole creation cry," *text by Stopford A. Brooke; sung to tune at #135*

1. Let the whole creation cry, "Glory to the Lord on high!"  
Heaven and earth, awake and sing, "Praise to our almighty King!"  
Praise him, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love;  
Sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God rejoice.
3. Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem loud and bold,  
And let children's happy hearts in this worship take their parts;  
From the north to southern pole, let the mighty chorus roll:  
"Holy, Holy, Holy One, glory be to God alone!"

## Collect of the Day \_\_\_\_\_

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Presider* Let us pray, together.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 \_\_\_\_\_ *Amos 7:7-17*

*Reader*        A Reading from the Book of the prophet Amos:

This is what the Lord God showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said,

‘Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

"Now therefore hear the word of the Lord.

You say, ‘Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.'

Therefore thus says the Lord: ‘Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.'"

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

## The Psalm \_\_\_\_\_ *Psalms 82*

1 God takes his stand in the council of heaven; \*

he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:

2 "How long will you judge unjustly, \*

and show favor to the wicked?

3 Save the weak and the orphan; \*

defend the humble and needy;

4 Rescue the weak and the poor; \*

deliver them from the power of the wicked.

5 They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; \*

all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

6 Now I say to you, 'You are gods, \*

and all of you children of the Most High;

7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, \*

and fall like any prince."

8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, \*

for you shall take all nations for your own.

## **The Second Reading** \_\_\_\_\_ *Colossians 1:1-14*

*Reader*        A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Colossians:

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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

**Sequence Hymn #609** \_\_\_\_\_ *Where cross the crowded ways of life*

**The Gospel Reading** *Please stand as able* \_\_\_\_\_ *Luke 10:25-37*

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

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

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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** *Please stand or kneel* \_\_\_\_\_

*Deacon* Let us pray for the Church and for the world, in assurance that God hears our prayers and cares for those in need.

*Leader* Everlasting God, we pray for peace in the world. Guide all the nations in your ways of justice and mercy, especially in Ukraine, Sudan, and the Middle East. Give to our elected leaders grace to rebuild bonds of trust, and to find new solutions for ancient conflicts.

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

Holy God, known by many names, we ask for your blessing upon the Church throughout the world: upon this congregation and all our ministries; upon Sean our Presiding Bishop and the leaders of the Diocese of the Great Lakes; upon our sibling churches in the Fenton area; and for all who follow Jesus; that together, our work in his Name will bear the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Creating God, open our eyes to the beauty and vulnerability of the world around us. Help us to become better stewards of all your gifts, acknowledging the life of the Spirit that flows through all living things.

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

Merciful God, we pray for your healing touch to rest upon those who are sick; your strength to be felt by those who are tired; your love to encourage those who live with despair. We especially pray for those on our Prayer List, and others we name ..... Help us to be good neighbors in their time of need.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Life-giving God, we praise you that through the resurrection of your Son Jesus the Christ, you have freed us from the grip of death. We pray for those who have departed this life and now rest in your peace; especially those we name and those bereaved by their passing..... Sustain us with hope and a vision of eternal life with those we love.

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

*The Presider adds a concluding prayer*

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

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

*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.

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

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** *Please stand* \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

**The Offertory**, *following an invitation to generosity from the priest*

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**Offertory** \_\_\_\_\_ *"The Greatest Commandment" by Paul Zach*

**The Doxology** *Please stand & join in singing* \_\_\_\_\_ *"Tallis Canon"*

1 2  
 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise  
 him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.



## 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: Hymn S-125** \_\_\_\_\_ *Setting by Richard Proulx*

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.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name \_\_\_\_ of the Lord.  
Ho - san - 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:

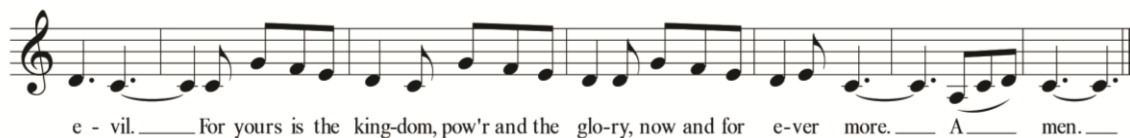
## The Lord's Prayer \_\_\_\_\_ setting by David Vickers



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-against us. \_\_\_\_\_ Save us from the time of trial, \_\_\_\_\_ and save us from



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

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

*People:* **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

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. Today we are blessing gluten-free bread. 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.

## Communion Song: MHSO #94, vs 1-4 \_\_\_\_\_ *Brother, sister, let me serve you*



1. Bro - ther, sis - ter, let me serve you, let me be as
2. We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, fel - low trav'l - ers
3. I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night - time
4. I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh, I'll



Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to  
 on the road; we are here to help each o - ther  
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,  
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row



let you be my ser - vant, too.  
walk the mile and bear the load.  
speak the peace you long to hear.  
till we've seen this jour - ney through.

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

*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 people respond, Amen!*

### ***The Sending Out***

**Sending Out Hymn: WLP #787** \_\_\_\_\_ *We are marching in the light of God*

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

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

**Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude** \_\_\_\_\_

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