

**St. Philip's Episcopal Church  
The Second Sunday after Pentecost  
Proper 5**

**June 7, 2026 9:00 AM - Holy Eucharist Rite II**

*We, at St. Philip's Church strive to love God and love others in all we do.*

*The Invitation to silently prepare for worship.*

*Before the service, speak to the Lord;  
During the service, let the Lord speak to you;  
After the service, speak to one another.*

*Call to Worship - "Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place"*

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel His mighty power and His grace. I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face; surely, the presence, of the Lord is in this place.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Opening Hymn: "The God of Abraham Praise (#401)*

*Opening Acclamation*

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

*BCP 355*

**People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*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.

**People: Amen.**

*Gloria (WLP 900)*

**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, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **People: Amen.**

## *The Liturgy of the Word*

### A Reading from the Prophet Hosea (5:15-6.6)

Thus says the Lord: "I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: 'Come, let us return to the Lord; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.' What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings."

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 50:7-15 *Deus deorum*

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:

"O Israel, I will bear witness against you; \*

**for I am God, your God.**

8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; \*

**your offerings are always before me.**

9 I will take no bull-calf from your stalls, \*

**nor he-goats out of your pens;**

10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine, \*

**the herds in their thousands upon the hills.**

11 I know every bird in the sky, \*  
**and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.**

12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, \*  
**for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.**

13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, \*  
**or drink the blood of goats?**

14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
**and make good your vows to the Most High.**

15 Call upon me in the day of trouble; \*  
**I will deliver you, and you shall honor me."**

### A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans (4:13-25)

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Sequence Hymn - "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" (#686, vs. 1,2)*

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (9:9-13, 18-26)

**People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners." While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Sequence Hymn – "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" (#686, vs. 3)*

*Sermon*

Mother Betty

*The Nicene Creed*

*BCP 358*

**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 worshipped 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 Form III*

*BCP 387*

*Deacon:* Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

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

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

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

*Deacon:* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

*Deacon:* 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.**

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

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

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

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

*Deacon:* Give to the departed eternal rest.

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

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

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

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

*Silence*

*Deacon:* We ask a blessing on those important to us, as we lift our prayers either aloud or in the silence of our hearts. *(Pause)*

*Celebrant:* 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.

**People: Amen.**

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*Pause*)

***Deacon 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.

*The Peace*

*Officiant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*Welcoming*

*Ministry in Focus*

*Offertory*

*Offertory Sentence:* Walk in love, as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

(Congregation stands and sings the following with the presentation of gifts.)

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

*The Liturgy of the Eucharist*

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer D

*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 the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

*Celebrant and People (WLP 858)*

**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 stand or kneel.*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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.”

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ’s death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People:*

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. Remember and continue your watchfulness over Martha Johnson, as she prepares for her move from Southport. We give thanks for her presence with us for this season of her life. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, matriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Philip and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

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 the Bread*

*Celebrant:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

*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.

## *Communion*

*How to receive Holy Communion:*

*Holy Communion will be served at the altar. After you receive the bread you may choose one of three options regarding the wine.*

**DRINK:** *Immediately consume your bread and wait for the chalice bearer to bring the cup. This is the common cup designated for you to take a drink from. Dipping the bread into this cup is NOT permitted.*

**INTINCT:** *Holding your bread, wait for the chalice bearer who is holding a small glass cup. This cup is designated for intinction (dipping) only. The chalice bearer will offer the words of administration and you may dip your bread into the shallow cup. Please note there is only a small quantity of wine in this chalice to ensure fingers do not touch the wine.*

**NO WINE:** *Immediately consume your bread and carefully return to your seat. Please know that receiving communion in one species only is still considered a full and valid communion.*

## *Post Communion Prayer*

**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.**

## *Sending Prayer for Lay Eucharistic Visitors*

*Deacon:* In the name of Christ, and of this congregation, we send you forth bearing the body and blood of Christ to (\_\_\_\_\_), who cannot be with us today. Take God's holy Word, the prayers of this congregation, and this holy food for holy people.

**People: We who are many are one Body because we share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

*Celebrant: The Blessing*

**People: Amen.**

*Hymn – “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (#493)*

*Deacon: The Dismissal*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

***Celebrant and Preacher:*** Mother Betty Glover

***Deacon:*** Deacon Pam Hayes

***Vergers:*** Ricky Evans

***Lay Eucharistic Ministers:*** Tina Powers, Aedan Barnes, Cynthia Davis

***Lay Readers:*** Barbara Edwards, Tina Powers

***Ushers:*** Craig Elliott, Pat Elliott, Ross Lively, Mary Snell

***Vestry Person of the Day:*** Paul Bailey

### ***ALTAR FLOWERS***

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the family of St. Philip's in thanksgiving for the interim ministry of the Rev. Betty M. Glover.

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***Welcome!***

***There are many churches in our community and we are glad that you chose to join us in worship this morning. It is our hope that you find St. Philip's to be a new home if you are looking for a church, or a home away from home if you are visiting Southport!***

***We believe that God is Love, and that we are called to love both God and others as God's children. Please know that we place a premium on having a chance to get to know one another. Unfortunately, Sunday mornings do not allow us that precious time together.***

***It would be wonderful if you would mention on the visitor card (or drop us an email) that you would like to meet us for a time of conversation and coffee!***

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