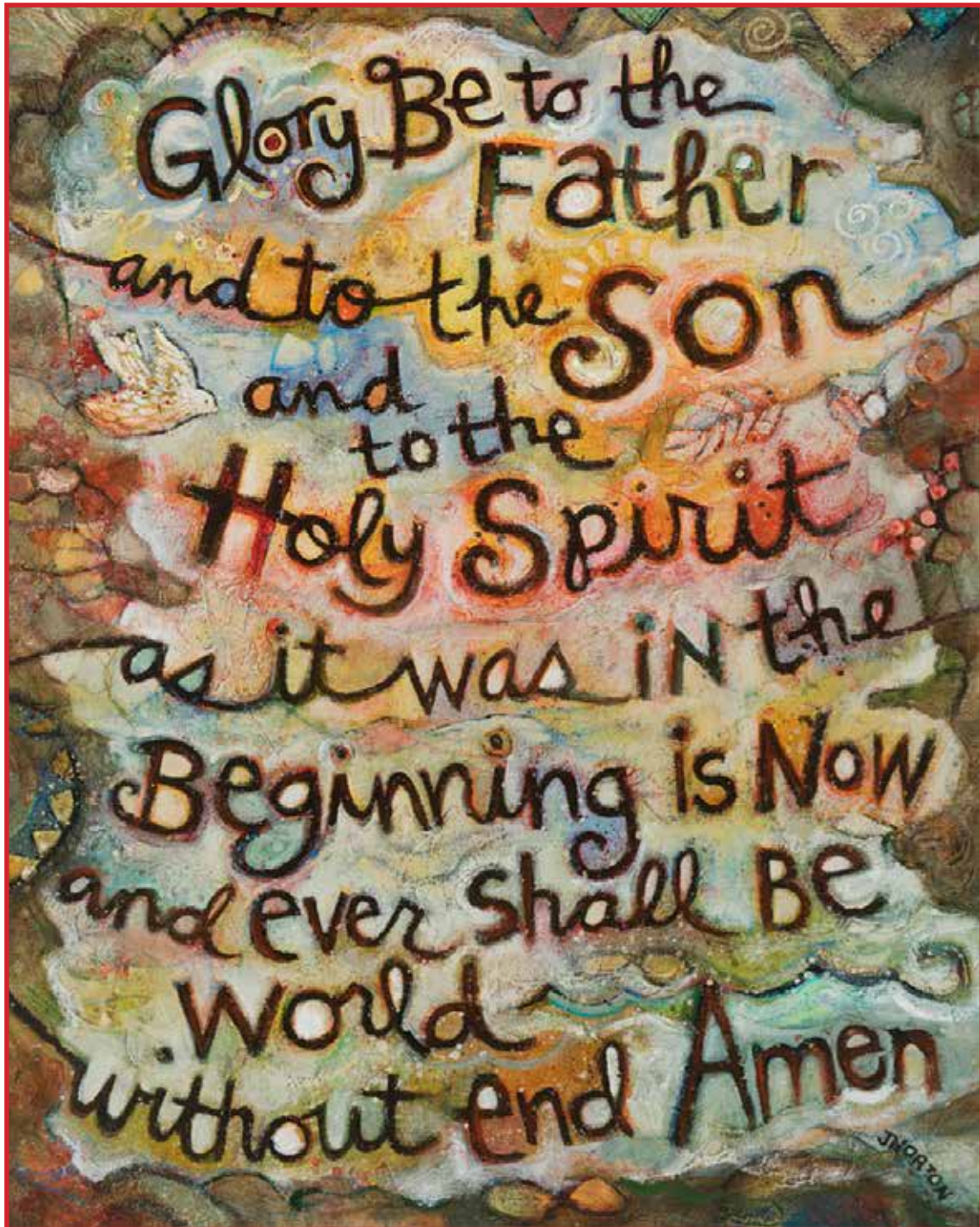




# ST. GREGORY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

radiates God's grace, equipping all people to change the world.



**The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

July 14, 2024 | 9:30am

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# Welcome to St. Gregory's

We are truly thankful for your presence.

## We're Here to Help

If you need anything, please ask the Greeter who handed you this bulletin.

## Children & Parents

We are glad you are here.

On the left-hand side of the Altar is our **Children's Pray-ground**, a space made especially for kids, stocked with toys, books, and art supplies.

We expect kids will make noise. Don't sweat it. However, if your child — or you — need a break in a more quiet space, we have a **Cry Room** downstairs with a changing table.

## Praying with Us

We encourage you to participate fully in our service, as you are comfortable. We invite you to read aloud the **bold text**. Wherever you see (+), you are invited to cross yourself. Other actions are indicated during the service, but none of them is required.

## Let's Get Connected

Please fill out a **Welcome Card**, found in the backs of the pews. You can hand your completed card to one of the Greeters or place it in the basket at the back of the Sanctuary.

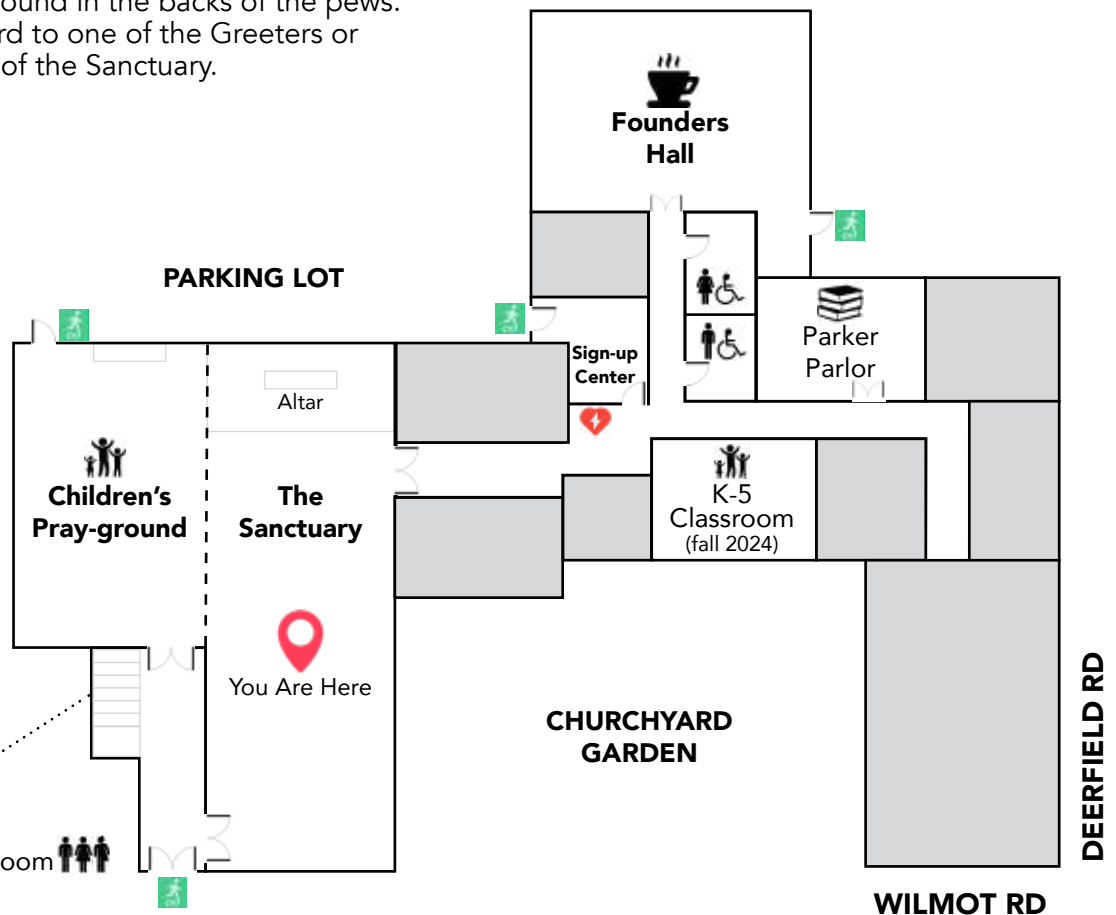
## Find Your Way

Use this map to find key areas in the building. If you want help, please ask.

### ← NORTH

- ♥ AED, First Aid Kit, NARCAN
- 🚪 Emergency Exits
- ☕ Coffee & Tea Service
- 👪 Children's Facilities

Stairs Down to  
Cry Room  
Gender-Neutral Restroom



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## THE WORD OF GOD

*When the bells ring, the people stand as they are able.*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: (+) Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

### PROCESSIONAL

1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name  
2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;

who was, and is, and is to be for ay the same.  
ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:  
Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,

the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!  
and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.

*During the season after Pentecost, the collects cover the wide variety of human longing and responsibilities of the church and humanity.*

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

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 people sit.*

*We follow a three-year cycle of readings called a Lectionary. These are lessons being heard in congregations from many denominations throughout the world on this day.*

**FIRST READING**

**2 SAMUEL 6:1-5, 12-19**

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart.

They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 24**

*The Psalm is a hymn or poem. The psalms cover the whole range of the relationship between God and God's people. The Book of Psalms, while a "book" of the Bible, consists of 150 hymns intended to be sung.*

- 1 The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and all who dwell therein.
- 2 **For it is the Lord who founded it upon the seas and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.**
- 3 "Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? and who can stand in God's holy place?"
- 4 **"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud.**
- 5 They shall receive a blessing from the Lord and a just reward from the God of their salvation."
- 6 **Such is the generation of those who seek the Lord, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; and the glorious Sovereign shall come in.
- 8 **"Who is this glorious Sovereign?"**  
**"The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle."**
- 9 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; and the glorious Sovereign shall come in.
- 10 **"And who is this glorious Sovereign?"**  
**"The Lord, the Lord of hosts is glorious Sovereign."**



*The people stand, as they are able. Children are invited to join the procession in the aisle for the reading of the Gospel.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN**

Take, oh take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall  
 be; set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

*During the Holy Eucharist, there is always a reading from a Gospel. We stand to indicate the importance we place on Jesus' words and actions. The deacon or priest proclaims the Gospel in the midst of the people to represent the Good News that Jesus has come among us, and we all turn toward it.*

**THE GOSPEL**

**MARK 6:14-29**

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

**(+++)** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people sit.*

*The homily is meant to help us make the Word of God a living and transforming reality of our lives today.*

**HOMILY**

*The Rev. Kyle Oliver, guest priest*



In the Nicene Creed, we respond to the proclamation of God's Word by affirming the historic faith of the Church. We "believe" (from the Latin credere, literally "to put one's heart into") because we offer our trust in the story of God's creating, redeeming, and remaining with the world. "We" believe because the church as a whole, the Body of Christ, carries and strengthens the faith of each individual. Also note that when it is not capitalized, the word "catholic" is defined as universal or inclusive.

**NICENE CREED**

*The people stand, as they are able.*

**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: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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. who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 are always responsive, because everyone gives voice to the supplications. We include prayers for others throughout the world, in our diocese, and those connected to our congregation. This is the part of the liturgy where it is most evident that we would be noticeably less without the contributions of each person present. We voice prayers from our parish prayer list, as well as requests from the onsite and online worshippers.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, CONFESSION, AND ABSOLUTION**

*The people stand, as they are able.*

Come, Holy Spirit, and open our eyes to see your glory shining from the sky above, from the earth below, and from every creature. *We offer prayers of joy and gratitude.*  
We pray to the Spirit: **Come, and make us new.**  
Come, Divine Breath, and fill us with life even when we are afflicted in mind, body, spirit, and conscience. *We offer prayers of intercession.*  
We pray to the Spirit: **Come, and give us life.**  
Come, Fiery Dove, and guide us boldly through death itself to eternal life. *We offer prayers for the dead.*  
We pray to the Spirit: **Come, and raise us up.**  
Come, Wisdom and Compassion, and give us courage to confess our failings and to walk in your ways of justice, love, and truth.  
**Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us, O Holy Spirit, that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Presider offers the absolution.*

Almighty God grant us (+) forgiveness of our sins and strength to work and to pray for all people according to their need, that we, burning with the Spirit's endless fire, may radiate Christ's unquenchable grace, to the ends of the earth and the end of the age. **Amen.**



*The Peace has been exchanged at the Eucharist since the time of the first Christians. It is a profound act to offer the miraculous peace of God to one another before we join in communion with God and each other.*

**THE PEACE**

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

*The congregation greets each other in the peace of Christ.*

*The people sit.*

**PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND TRAVELS**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*"Panis Angelicus"  
by Cesar Franck*

*Panis angelicus, fit panis hominum;  
Dat panis coelicus Figuris terminum:  
O res mirabilis! Manducat Dominum  
Pauper servus et humilis.*

*O holy bread of heaven, man hath celestial food,  
Bearing immortal good, in sacred symbol given.  
O wonder marvelous! Christ is the living bread,  
Lowly our Lord became for us.*

*The Offertory is when we bring our gifts of bread, wine, money, and our very selves to present to the Lord as our initial act of thanksgiving. This collection is a visible reminder that our whole lives are God's, and a part of what God has given us we give back in thanksgiving for all that we have and all that we are. You can use this QR code to give to StGs online.*



**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*The people stand, as they are able.*

**OFFERTORY HYMN**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here be-low;  
Praise God a-bove ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. 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 we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*The Eucharist, or Communion, is the act of offering, breaking bread, and sharing in Christ's life, death, and resurrection. It also reminds us that we are Christ's body in our world today. As Episcopalians, the Eucharist is the principal act of worship, in which we always have a full proclamation of the heart of the Gospel. Celebrating Eucharist is something we do together, so we all take part in the prayers.*



The Sanctus (holy, holy, holy) recalls the words of the prophet Isaiah, overwhelmed by the presence of God in the sanctuary, and these words were sung by the people as Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The Sanctus reminds us that this is an offering of the whole creation, which joins in singing these praises.

**SANCTUS**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en and earth,  
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est. Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the  
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel's children to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to gather before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into 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 disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command:

**We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being (+) sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, bring all things into the reign of your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By 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 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 Great Amen is the only word in our Book of Common Prayer that is in all capital letters. It emphasizes that we all join together in asking Jesus to be present in the bread and wine, in boldly affirming our desire to receive God. It is appropriate to say this with enthusiasm!

The Lord's Prayer is the prayer that Jesus gave to his followers when they asked him to teach them to pray. It links our daily bread to the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist.





The Fraction recalls Jesus breaking the bread at the Last Supper to share with the disciples, and reminds us that Jesus' body was broken on the cross for us to be shared with the world. Therefore we keep a moment of silence for prayers of awe and gratitude.

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.*

Musical notation for the Fraction. The lyrics are: "When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your re-sur-rection, un-til you come a-gain."

**RECEIVING COMMUNION**

**Where To Go:** Please join the line closest to you to receive Communion. When you get to the front, fill in along the rail, from left to right. You are welcome to stand or kneel.

**Receiving:** Hold out your hands to receive bread. Then indicate to the other ministers if you would like wine from the shared chalice or an individual cup (the wine is golden, the juice is dark red). Used cups may be placed on the stand nearest you.

**Gluten-free Option:** Please ask for a gluten-free wafer from the priest when they come to you.

**Non-alcoholic Option:** Please ask for juice from the minister holding the tray of cups (the wine is golden, the juice is dark red). You also have the option to take only the bread to receive Communion.

**Not Receiving:** If you will not be receiving Communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. Please join your line and cross your arms over your chest when you get to the front.

**For those worshipping remotely, you may read the Prayer for Spiritual Communion:** In union, gracious God, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, O Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

**COMMUNION HYMN**

Musical notation for the Communion Hymn. The lyrics are: "1 By all your saints still striv-ing, for all your saints at rest, 2 All praise for John the Bap-tist, fore-run-ner of the Word, 3 Then let us praise the Fa-ther and wor-ship God the Son your ho-ly Name, O Je-sus, for ev-er-more be blessed. our true E-li-jah, ma-king a high-way for the Lord. and sing to God the Spi-rit, e-ter-nal Three in One, You rose, our King vic-tor-ious, that they might wear the crown The last and great-est pro-phet, he saw the dawn-ing ray till all the ran-somed num-ber who stand be-fore the throne and ev-er shine in splen-dor re-flect-ed from your throne. of light that grows in splen-dor un-til the per-fect day. a-scribe all power and glo-ry and praise to God a-lone."

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion articulates a hunger for unity with Jesus Christ when you cannot physically receive the Body and Blood of Christ. This prayer connects the one(s) praying with the reception of Holy Communion. Those worshipping online are invited to say this prayer as those onsite receive Communion.



**COMMUNION HYMN**

Those who sow, who sow in tears will reap in joy, will reap in joy.  
 Those who sow, who sow in tears will reap, will reap in joy.

*After Communion, we give thanks for being part of the communion of God's life and for being fed so that we may go out to feed and serve others in our world.*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

*The people stand, as they are able.*

**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 people sit.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*The people stand, as they are able.*

**BLESSING**

The peace of God, which exceeds all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of God's Son, Jesus Christ our Savior. And the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Mother of us all, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**EXIT HYMN**

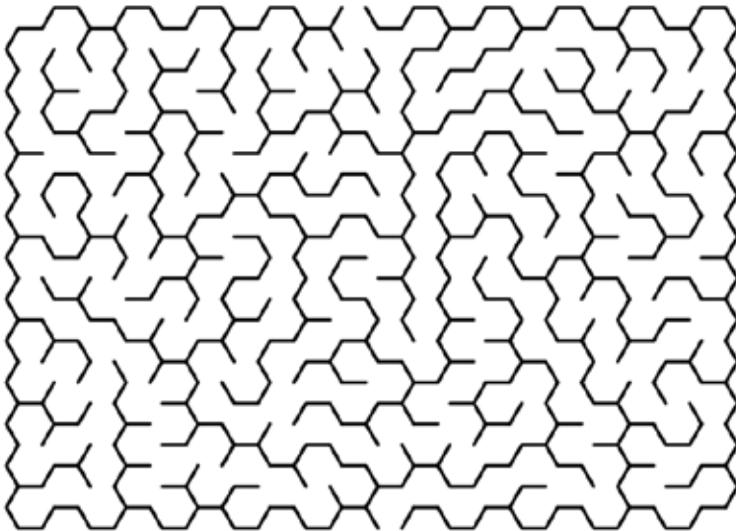
1 "Thy king - dom come!" on bend - ed knee the pass - ing a - ges pray;  
 3 And lo, al - rea - dy on the hills the flags of dawn ap - pear;  
 4 the day to whose clear shin - ing light all wrong shall stand re - vealed,  
 5 when know - ledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth a - broad;  
 1 and faith - ful souls have yearned to see on earth that king - dom's day.  
 3 gird up your loins, ye pro - phet souls, pro - claim the day is near:  
 4 when jus - tice shall be throned in might, and ev - ery hurt be healed;  
 5 the day of per - fect right - eous - ness, the prom - ised day of God.

*The Priest or Deacon dismisses the people, and the people respond,*

**Thanks be to God.**

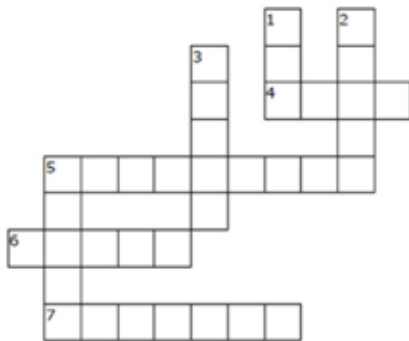
*One of the roles of the priest is to declare the eternal truth of God's ever-present blessing to God's people.*

*Having heard the Gospel and having been fed at communion, the final act of our common worship is the Dismissal. It is not an afterthought, but an integral part of the service. Jesus' final action on earth was to send his followers into the world to make disciples, baptizing and teaching them to obey all he had commanded. And so we are sent out into the world to proclaim the Good News and be Christ's hands and feet on earth.*



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- 7-20-4-1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 23-5-16-15-17-10-23-12 \_\_\_\_\_
- 24-1-1-10-5-13-25-2 \_\_\_\_\_



- ACROSS
- A male ruler of a nation
  - To present an animal as an offering to God
  - Not old
  - A high-pitched musical instrument usually made of brass

- DOWN
- A large, gold-plated box containing the ten commandments
  - To skip, leap, or move to music
  - A shepherd boy who became ruler of Israel
  - To cry out in a loud voice

C	X	D	R	X	L	A	Q	J	R	V	S	K	R	Y
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OFFERING	LORD	TRUMPETS	BULL	HARP

### Coffee Brunch TODAY!

Head to Founder's Hall after the service for a delicious coffee brunch with food, fellowship, and fun! Sign up to host a future coffee brunch in the Sign-Up Center, or email Debbie or Sharon.

Debbie at [debbie.kinjo@gmail.com](mailto:debbie.kinjo@gmail.com) or Sharon at [slgramer@comcast.net](mailto:slgramer@comcast.net)



### Pastor Dan at College for Congregational Development

Pastor Dan is currently one of the trainers at CCD, and will be out of the office from July 12-19. Kristin Saylor from St. Lawrence will provide pastoral coverage. You can use the same pastoral phone number for emergencies: (847) 929-9986



### It's time to start thinking... PUMPKINS!

October will be here before you know it, so we're starting NOW to brainstorm fun activities for the StGs pumpkin patch! We're talking Disney & Donuts, pet costume contests, food trucks, and much more. We're dedicated to making this StGs staple an even MORE delightful community outreach program than ever!

We'd love your input - whether you just have one really great idea you want someone to hear about, whether you want to be completely involved with all the hands-on logistics of making each event happen... or anything in between. If you're interested, please reach out to Kathryn! [kathryn@stgregoryschurch.org](mailto:kathryn@stgregoryschurch.org)

SAVE THE DATE

### August 25: Mass on the Grass Cookout & Broadway Joyful Noise!

Put it on your calendars now: our Sunday service on August 25 will be out in the Memorial Garden (weather permitting, of course), with all music provided by our quartet (and friends!) from Broadway musicals! The service will be followed by a delicious potluck cookout (keep an eye out for a sign-up soon!). Details to come, but make plans now to be there with your friends and family!





# COMING UP..

## Rector Discernment Committee: **SMALL GROUP SESSIONS**

In the month of July the Rector Discernment Committee will host 5 small group listening sessions to dive deeper into our discernment conversation. While the CAT helps us understand what you think and feel, the small groups will help us understand why you feel that way; they add invaluable context to the CAT feedback.

Each small group listening session will last approximately 90 minutes and will be limited to 20 participants. Parishioners should attend only one session and should plan to stay for the full length of the session. We have two in-person dates, to be held at church immediately after Sunday services, and two online dates. We also have a special session for youth in grades 6-12. Dates and times for small group sessions are shown below.

**Wed, July 17: 7-8:30pm, on Zoom**

**Sun, July 21: 10:45-12:15pm in person \*almost full\***

**Sun, July 21: 10:45-12:15 in person, youth (grades 6-12)**

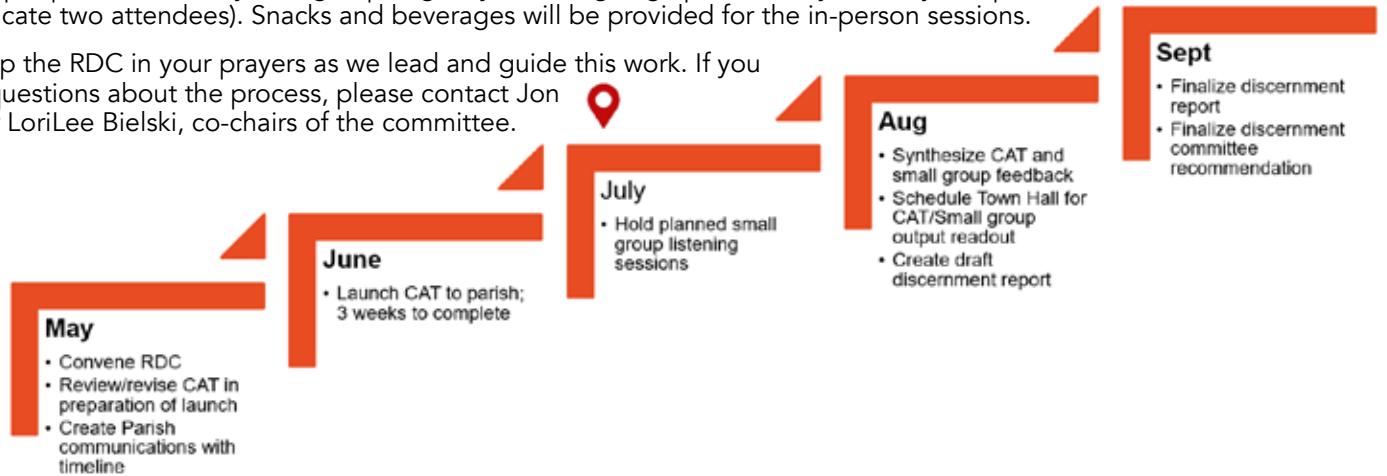
**Tues, July 23: 7-8:30pm, on Zoom**

**Sun, July 28: 10:45-12:15pm, in person**



You can sign up at the Sign-Up Center at church or using the QR code at right. Please be sure to indicate the number of people included in your sign-up (e.g., if you are signing up but both you and your spouse will attend, please indicate two attendees). Snacks and beverages will be provided for the in-person sessions.

Please keep the RDC in your prayers as we lead and guide this work. If you have any questions about the process, please contact Jon Dutcher or LoriLee Bielski, co-chairs of the committee.



## Next Community Meals: July 28

We still need a few more volunteers for Community Meals on Sunday, July 28th! We have one cookie baker so far, and need two more bakers. Please sign up in the Sign-Up Center or contact Barb. [? bschaper7@aol.com](mailto:bschaper7@aol.com) or (847)948-8989



## Children & Youth

### New Children & Youth Programs!

If you weren't able to come to the Town Hall on June 23 or would like to review the materials presented about our new Children & Youth programming, use the QR codes below:

Slide deck with all info



Recording of Town Hall



Sample lesson material for BLA



### Registration for K-5 Classroom

Registration is now open for Blessed Little Adventures (BLA). We invite all children in grades K to 5 on a weekly adventure through the stories of God and God's people. Our first class will be on Sunday, September 8. Register your child(ren) via the QR code at right.



### Call for Teachers

We have had a great response so far, but we could always use a few more. We are recruiting for two different roles in Blessed Little Adventures (K-5 Classroom). The Storyteller plans and leads the class. The Shepherd assists the Storyteller and supports children during worship. You may sign up for both roles or just one. We hope to have enough teachers so that no one has to serve more than once a month in each role. We provide strong structural and curricular support so that you have to do a minimum of planning each week. More details are in this slide deck linked via the QR code above. If you are interested, you can sign up at the Sign-up Center or contact Pastor Dan. [? dan@stgregoryschurch.org](mailto:dan@stgregoryschurch.org)

### First Youth Group: **NEXT WEEK!**

Our first meeting of the new Youth Group will be Sunday, July 21, 4-6pm. We will be getting to know each other better and making decisions about redecorating the upstairs Youth Room. All middle and high school youths are encouraged to attend. Questions? Email Pastor Dan! [? dan@stgregoryschurch.org](mailto:dan@stgregoryschurch.org)

