



# ST. GREGORY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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



**The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 7, 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.

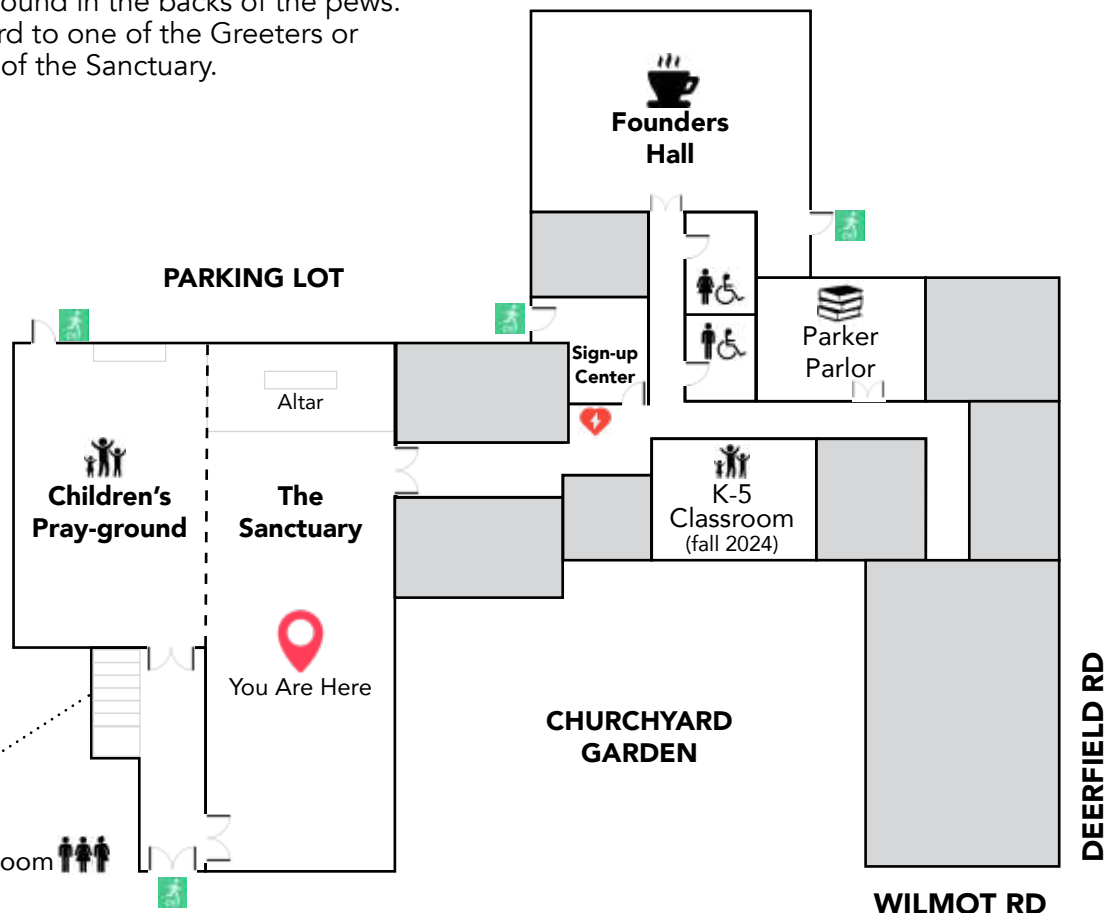
## Find Your Way

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 Ye ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,  
 4 Then let us a - dore, and give him his right:  
 and pub - lish a - broad his won - der - ful Name;  
 All glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,  
 the Name all - vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol:  
 and hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,  
 his king - dom is glo - rious; he rules o - ver all.  
 and thanks nev - er - ceas - ing and in - fi - nite love.

*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 God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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

### EZEKIEL 2:1-5

The Lord said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day.



The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*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.*

**PSALM 123**

- 1 To you I lift up my eyes, to you enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,**
- 3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God, until you show us your mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, for we have had more than enough of contempt,**
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, and of the derision of the proud.

*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 6:1-13**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.  
**(+++)** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.





Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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. Dan Puchalla, Priest-in-Charge*

**NICENE CREED**

*The people stand, as they are able.*

*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.*

**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.**

**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.**



*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.*

*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 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.*



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.**

**COLLECT FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY**

Lord God Almighty, by whose providence the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to live up to our highest principles, to forsake our lowest impulses, to be a beacon of justice to the world, and to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

**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**

*"Amazing Grace" traditional, arr. Chris Tomlin*

*Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.  
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!  
My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior has ransomed me.  
And like a flood, his mercy reigns, unending love - amazing grace.  
The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.*



## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The people stand, as they are able.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God all crea-tures here be - low;  
Praise God a - bove ye heav-en-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 indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks and praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. Therefore with the apostles and prophets and all the saints, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### 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.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: You we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore. You formed the earth from chaos; you encircled the globe with breath; you created fire for warmth and light; you nourish the lands with water. You molded us in your image, and with mercy, higher than the mountains, with grace deeper than the seas, you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own. That also we who are Gentiles, estranged and dying, might be adopted to live in your Spirit, you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

*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.*



In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Together as the Body of Christ, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

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

With this bread and cup we remember your Son, the first-born of your new creation. We remember his life lived for others, and his death and resurrection, which renews the face of the earth. We await his coming, when, with the world made perfect through your Wisdom, all our sins and sorrows will be no more.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and compassionate, send upon us and this meal your Holy Spirit, whose breath revives us for life, whose fire rouses us to love. Enfold in your arms all who share this holy food. Nurture in us the fruits of the Spirit, that we may be a living vine, sharing your bounty with all the world.

Holy and benevolent God, receive our praise and petitions, as Jesus received the cry of the needy, and (+) fill us with your blessing, until, needy no longer and bound to you in love, we feast for ever in the triumph of the Lamb: through whom all glory and honor is yours, O God, O Living One, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and for 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.*

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we pro -  
claim your re - sur - rec - tion, 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.*

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**

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!  
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
 4 "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
 5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,  
 1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!  
 2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
 3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;  
 4 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;  
 5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;  
 1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
 2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
 4 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
 5 that soul, though all hell shall en - deav - or to shake,  
 1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.  
 3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
 4 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.  
 5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

**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.**

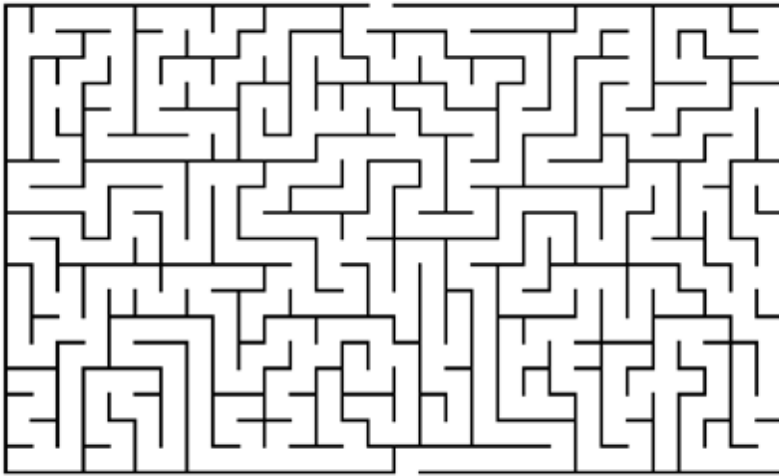
**EXIT HYMN**

1 Go forth for God; go to the world in peace;  
 4 Go forth for God; go to the world in joy,  
 be of good courage, armed with heaven-ly grace,  
 to serve God's peo-ple ev-ery day and hour,  
 in God's good Spi-rit dai-ly to in-crease,  
 and ser-ving Christ, our ev-ery gift em-ploy,  
 till in his king-dom we be-hold his face.  
 re-joic-ing in the Ho-ly Spi-rit's power.

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

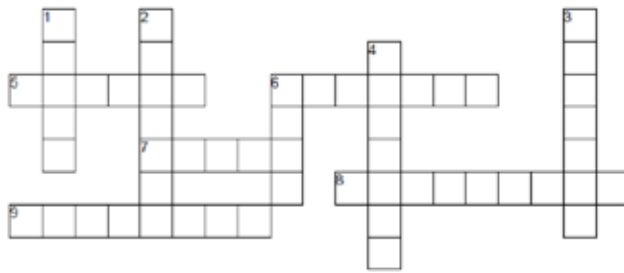
**Thanks be to God.**

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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- 13-1-18-25 \_\_\_\_\_
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- 8-15-13-5-20-15-23-14 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3-1-18-16-5-14-20-5-18 \_\_\_\_\_
- 8-15-14-15-18 \_\_\_\_\_



HORIZONTAL

- 5. The ability to judge what is true or right
- 6. An event that can only be done through the power of God
- 7. To treat with great respect
- 8. A person whose job is making and

VERTICAL

- 1. To have great trust or belief in something or someone
- 2. One who is a spokesman for God to man
- 3. A man or boy with the same parents as another person

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JOSEPH	JUDAS	MARY	SISTERS	CARPENTER
HEARD	SIMON	JAMES	HOMETOWN	MIRACLES

Coffee Brunch: July 14

Head to Founder's Hall after the service next Sunday 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 [slgamer@comcast.net](mailto:slgamer@comcast.net)



Pastor Dan at CCD



Pastor Dan will be one of the trainers at the College for Congregational Development from July 12-19, and therefore out of the office. Kyle Oliver will be presiding on Sunday, July 14, and Kristin Saylor from St. Lawrence will provide pastoral coverage. You can use the same pastoral phone number for emergencies: (847) 929-9986

Next Community Meals: July 28

Our next opportunity to serve is Sunday, July 28th. We need both volunteers to help pack and serve meals, as well bakers. Please sign up in the Sign-Up Center or contact Barb Schaper. [bschaper7@aol.com](mailto:bschaper7@aol.com) or (847)948-8989



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)





# COMING UP...

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

Thank you to everyone who completed the CAT survey in June. Approximately 65 people completed the survey - a very nice portion of our active membership!



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**

**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.



## Children & Youth

### New Children & Youth Programs!

Thank you to all who participated in our Town Hall on Sunday after church, and especially Susie Dutcher for hosting such a delicious coffee brunch while we learned about all the great things coming up for our Children & Youth! If you weren't able to come or would like to review the materials presented, 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: July 21!

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)

