The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 13, 2025 Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

Opening Hymn: #660 "O master, let me walk with thee" Celebrant: Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit *People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever*

The Gloria

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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: 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 First Lesson: Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Moses said to the people of Israel, "The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

"Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe."

Reader: The Word of the Lord People: Thanks be to God

The Psalm: Psalm 25:1-9

1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;

my God, I put my trust in you;*

let me not be humiliated,

nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *

let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O Lord, * and teach me your paths. 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *

for you are the God of my salvation;

in you have I trusted all the day long.

5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *

for they are from everlasting.

- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; * remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *

therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right * and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness *

to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. The Second Reading: Colossians 1:1-14

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

Sequence Music

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ *People: Glory to you, Lord Christ* The Holy Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

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."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord **People: Praise to you, Lord Christ**

Sermon

The Rev. Ronald Kolanowski

The Nicene Creed

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;

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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

Leader: Holy God, source of life and fire of love, in this season of Pentecost when we reflect again on what it means to be a community of faith and preach the gospel through our lives, we ask you to hear our prayer as we open our hearts to you.

We pray for those whose lives closely touch our own. May they be in our hearts and have joy and happiness in their lives. We pray for those celebrating their birthdays this week: Maryann Hickelton 7/15, Henry Dombrowski 7/19, and for those celebrating anniversaries.

Silence

Spirit of Love Hear our prayer. We pray with thanks for all those in our community who support the well-being of others. We pray especially for those who have requested our prayers: Annette Cucchi, Sarah, Leslie Vallee, Kelly Johnson, Erica, Kris, Linda Snarski, Mario, Maria, Stephanie and those on our Continuing Prayer List.

Silence

Spirit of Love Hear our prayer.

We pray for the church; for our Presiding Bishop, Sean; for our bishops, Jeff and Laura; for Ron, our priest; for Doug our seminarian; for Donna and Marge, our deacons and for all deacons and priests. We pray for all who proclaim the Gospel to the ends of the earth and for all who seek the Truth.

Silence

Spirit of Love Hear our prayer.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. James', Poquetanuck; Christ Church, Redding; St. Stephen's, Ridgefield; ECCT & parish committees on investments, stewardship, planned giving, insurance & personnel policy; *The Church of North India*.

Silence

Spirit of Love Hear our prayer.

We pray for all the leaders of the world that they may make wise choices for everyone and that they may lead us to honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Spirit of Love Hear our prayer.

We pray for your wonderful creation, the Earth, and its streams, trees, mountains, and plants and for the animals of the Earth.

Silence

Spirit of Love Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died. We pray for those who suffer the loss of family, friends, and neighbors that they may be comforted by those who love them.

Silence

Spirit of Love Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who do not understand or have not found Your love, that they may seek a deeper knowledge of You. May Your love find those who need You most.

Silence

Spirit of Love Hear our prayer.

For what else shall we pray this day?

The Peace

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

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

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

Offertory Hymn #603 "When Christ was lifted from the earth"

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus: S-130 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"





And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

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: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us *People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.* Communion

Communion Hymn: #657 "Love divine, all loves excelling"

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People:

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.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: LEVAS #14 "Soon and very soon" Dismissal

People: Thanks be to God.

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Prayers and Thanksgivings for the 5th Sunday after Pentecost

We pray for our clergy: Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; Jeff & Laura, the Bishops of Connecticut; for our priest Ron; for our deacons Marge & Donna; and for all bishops, priests and deacons.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. James', Poquetanuck; Christ Church, Redding; St. Stephen's, Ridgefield; ECCT & parish committees on investments, stewardship, planned giving, insurance & personnel policy; *The Church of North India*.

In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all our parish family and especially for those who have requested our prayers: Annette Cucchi, Sarah, Leslie Vallee, Kelly Johnson, Linda Snarski, Mario, Maria, Stephanie and for those in our Continuing Prayer list. We pray for the deceased.

We pray for those who celebrate their birthdays this week:

Maryann Hickelton 7/15, Henry Dombrowski 7/19, and for those celebrating anniversaries.

Continuing Prayer List

John Lumsden, Stephanie, Rosemarie, Fran, Len and Kim Begin, Nancy Kirkham, Sheila, Peter and Barbara Farren, Andrew, Peggy Cobb and family, Adrian Mandeville, Neal, Loretta, Judy, Robin, Brenda, Richard Taylor, Jim, David Rigby, Judy Knox, June Beauvais; Star, Norm, Aimee Goodrich, Justin, Derek Anderson, Janet Nixon, Bill D., Steve Dubin, Ryan, Marlin Corbean; Brian; Kathryn & Olivia; Caroline, Ron Lamp, Lou and Heidi Schluntz, Ambrosio Vidal & Family, Rina Bettancourt; Susan Hicks & family, Ella & Nicole, Jeannette Farren & Family; Noel, Daryl.

On Going Activities

- Balance Class: Mondays 10:30 a.m. \$5 per session.
- Cub Scouts: 1st Mondays 5:30-7 p.m. (summer hiatus)
- Hebron Greater Together Community Fund: 3rd Tuesdays 6-8 pm
- Buildings & Grounds: first Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
- Boy Scouts: Wednesdays, 7 p.m. (summer hiatus)
- Vestry: Third Thursdays, 6 p.m.

Up & Coming

The next Community Dinner will be our fabulous Chicken BBQ on July 19th 4-6 or until sold out. Menu: 1/2 Barbequed Chicken, Corn on the Cob, Pasta Salad, Cole Slaw, Dinner Roll, plus your choice of Desserts, all for \$17 per person!

We welcome any help offered from financial help (purchasing the briquettes and food we need), help preparing the dinner, or acting as carhop on the day. There will be signup sheets.