

The 7th Sunday After Pentecost

12 July 2026 10:00 am

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Hymn 48

O day of radiant gladness

The Opening Acclamation
Gloria S280

BCP 355

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 WORD OF GOD

The Old Testament: Genesis 25:19-34

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her,

"Two nations are in your womb,
and two peoples born of you shall be divided;

the one shall be stronger than the other,
the elder shall serve the younger."

When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his

hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 119:105-112

Lucerna pedibus meis

105 Your word is a lantern to my feet *
and a light upon my path.

106 I have sworn and am determined *
to keep your righteous judgments.

107 I am deeply troubled; *
preserve my life, O Lord, according to your word.

108 Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my lips, *
and teach me your judgments.

109 My life is always in my hand, *
yet I do not forget your law.

110 The wicked have set a trap for me, *
but I have not strayed from your commandments.

111 Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; *
truly, they are the joy of my heart.

112 I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes *
for ever and to the end.

The Epistle: Romans 8:1-11

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Hymn 627

Lamp of our feet

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

The Gospel: Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And

as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!”

“Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you Lord Christ

The Sermon

The Rev. Canon Wes Smedley

Nicene Creed

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People

Form III

BCP 387

Discernment Prayer:

Gracious and loving God, you teach us that things happen in your time. As we continue to wait for clergy candidates, encourage us, the people of St. Francis in the Fields and St. Mark's Episcopal Churches, to grow steadfastly in our ministries to love and serve our neighbors by sharing the Good News in Jesus Christ. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we open our hearts and minds to new

opportunities and ideas, following where you lead — knowing that Jesus Christ walks with us each step of the way. As this discernment period evolves, empower the members of our Vestries and Discernment Committees to share their thoughts openly and honestly; to respect the opinions of others; and to encourage humility, patience, and joy. Finally, instill in us a glorious vision of the future: one where we are united in love and ministry in fulfilling the mission of our baptismal vows; through our savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Concluding collect

Celebrant

Confession

BCP 360

Exchange of the Peace

Announcements

Offertory Hymn 392

Come we that love the Lord

Doxology

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving
Sanctus S 125

EP B

BCP 367

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Fraction S 164

Communion of the People

Communion Hymn 593

Lord, make us servants

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365 or 366

The Blessing

The Dismissal

From *The Book Of Common Prayer* 1979

Hymns from *The Hymnal* 1982

For those unable to receive the physical Communion at this time please pray the following:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus. And let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Prayers for a New Priest

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts, we humbly ask you to supply your grace to all priests who are called to the ministry of your peoples. Fill them with the Holy Spirit, the truth of your doctrine, and clothe them with piety so that they may faithfully serve where they are called. Open their hearts to the possibility and consideration of a new path whereby they may serve you. We beseech you to guide to us, the pastor you would have shepherd your people at St. Francis in the Fields and St. Mark's. Open the hearts of these parish families to acceptance of your choice for us, so that together, we may increase our faith, devotion, and obedience, and be prepared to readily do the good works you have planned for us to do. We ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Remember Today In Your Prayers:

Rev. William H. Marchl, Carol Adams, Catherine McCloskey, William Horner & Family, Susan Kelly & Mike Teore, John Rogers, Maryann Marchl, Bethany McKinley, David Wertz & Rebecca Church, Joann Cieslo, Kathy Sampson, and Flo Warfel.

Continue to Remember In Your Personal Prayers:

Jane & Gerry Strittmatter, Joanne McKinley, Louise Mead, Donovan Pendell, Cynthia Greig, Dottie Venet, Bonnie Murray, Vince & Irene Joyce, Richard Burkert, Regina Hoover, Shawn & Tyler McKinley, Marlene Rhin, Lou Hoffer.

Readers and Greeters July 2026

If you are unable to read on the day you are scheduled, please find a substitute or let Lisa Bell- Loncella or Colleen Curry know so a sub can be found in a timely manner. Thank you.

Sunday Readers

July 12th

Dona Carosi & Lisa Bell-Loncella

July 19th

Colleen Curry & Richard Burkert

July 26th

Pam Hysong & Joann Lacko

August 2nd

Tina Grata & Doug Zawiskie

August 9th

Donna Carosi & Donovan Pendell

August 16th

Lisa Bell-Loncella & Richard Burkert

August 23rd

Colleen Curry & Joann Lacko

August 30th

Tina Grata & Doug Zawiskie

Sunday Greeters & Ushers

July 12th

Tina Grata & Joann Lacko

July 19th

Colleen Curry & Richard Burkert

July 26th

Sam & Heidi Buchan

August 2nd

Tina Grata & Joann Lacko

August 9th

Melissa Babalonis & Aiden Barlow

August 16th

Amy & Penn Whitlow

August 23rd

Sam & Heidi Buchan

August 30th

Amy & Penn Whitlow

Worship Schedule July & August

July 12 th	Seventh Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist, Rev. Cannon Wes Smedley Presiding
July 19 th	Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Morning Prayer, Doug Zawiskie
July 26 th	Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist, The Rev. Norman Erb-White Presiding
August 2	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Morning Prayer, Lisa Bell-Loncella
August 9	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost The Rev. Kim Karashin, Presiding
August 16	Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Morning Prayer, Colleen Curry
August 23	Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost The Rev. Regis Smolko, Presiding
August 30	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost The Rev. Kim Karashin, Presiding

Sunday: The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday	July 12 th	10:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rt II
Thursday	July 16 th	10:00 am	Pet Food Pantry

Next Sunday: The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday	July 19 th	10:00 am	Morning Prayer Rt II
Thursday	July 23 rd	6:30 pm	Vestry Meeting

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DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Ketlen A. Solak; Scott Solak,
and all Clergy Spouses

Altar Flowers Given to The Greater Glory of God

In Celebration of the Birthday of
Robert Kintner
my Son
&
Our 22nd Anniversary
July 16th
From
Lisa Bell-Loncella & Jim Loncella

In Loving Memory of
Marjorie Raab
Perpetual Flowers

Next Week's Readings

Genesis 28:10-19a
Psalm 139: 1-11, 22-23
Romans 8:12-25
Matthew 13:24-30,36-43

***Sharing Christ's love unconditionally through
transformational worship and service***