

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



***Sunday July 12, 2026
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist***

“Glorifying God as Agents of His Reconciliation”

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship,
let's pray together the Collect for Purity:

Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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. Amen.

Please stand.

Hymn 788: Now Thank we all our God

By Martin Rinkart; Johann Crüger

Verse 1

Now thank we all our God
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom His world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

Verse 2

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

Verse 3

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns

With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

WELCOME

Rev. Oz: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People: And also with you

GLORY TO GOD (sung)

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

Hymn: Living Hope

By Wickham

Verse 1

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Chorus

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ my living hope

Verse 2

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Verse 3

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
(REPEAT)

Jesus Yours is the victory

Ending

Jesus Christ my living hope
Oh God You are my living hope

Please be seated.

Moment of silence to collect our hearts and minds in prayer.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Rev. Oz: Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless
until they find their rest in you.
May we find peace in your service,
and in the world to come, see you face to face;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen

CHILDREN'S TALK

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE READINGS

First Reading – Isaiah 55:10-13

Reader: A Reading from Isaiah

¹⁰ For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
And do not return there without watering the earth
And making it produce and sprout,
And providing seed to the sower and bread to the eater;

¹¹ So will My word be which goes out of My mouth;
It will not return to Me empty, Without accomplishing what I
desire, And without succeeding *in the purpose* for which I
sent it. ¹² For you will go out with joy

And be led in peace; The mountains and the hills will break
into shouts of joy before you, And all the trees of the field will
clap *their* hands. ¹³ Instead of the thorn bush, the juniper will
come up, And instead of the stinging nettle, the myrtle will
come up; And it will be a memorial to the LORD,
An everlasting sign which will not be eliminated.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 65: 1-14

¹ You are to be praised, O God, in Zion;

to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.

² To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, *

because of their transgressions.

³ Our sins are stronger than we are, *

but you will blot them out.

⁴ Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! *

they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple.

⁵ Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, *

O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.

⁶ You make fast the mountains by your power; *

they are girded about with might.

⁷ You still the roaring of the seas, *

the roaring of their waves, and the clamour of the peoples.

⁸ Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvellous signs; *

you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.

⁹ You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; *

the river of God is full of water.

¹⁰ You prepare the grain, *

for so you provide for the earth.

¹¹ You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *

with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

¹² You crown the year with your goodness, *

and your paths overflow with plenty.

¹³ May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *

and the hills be clothed with joy.

¹⁴ May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;

Let them shout for joy and sing.

Second Reading – Romans 8:1-11

Reader: A reading from Romans

8 Therefore there is now no condemnation at all for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³ For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God *did*: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and *as an offering* for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ so that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵ For those who are in accord with the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are in accord with the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. ⁶ For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, ⁷ because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able *to do so*, ⁸ and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. ⁹ However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him. ¹⁰ If Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, yet the spirit is alive because of righteousness. ¹¹ But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel.

The Gospel – Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to St. Matthew

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

13 On that day Jesus had gone out of the house and was sitting by the sea. ² And large crowds gathered to Him, so He got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd was standing on the beach.

³ And He told them many things in parables, saying, “Behold, the sower went out to sow; ⁴ and as he sowed, some seeds fell beside the road, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Others fell on the rocky places, where they did not have much soil; and they sprang up immediately, because they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But after the sun rose, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Others fell among the thorns, and the thorns came up and choked them out. ⁸ But others fell on the good soil and yielded a crop, some a hundred, some sixty, and some thirty *times as much*. ⁹ The one who has ears, let him hear.”

¹⁸ “Listen then to the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand *it*, the evil *one* comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is the one sown *with seed* beside the road. ²⁰ The one sown *with seed* on the rocky places, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹ yet he has no *firm* root in himself, but is *only* temporary, and when affliction or persecution occurs because of the word, immediately he falls away. ²² And the one sown *with seed* among the thorns, this is the one who hears the word, and the anxiety of the world and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful. ²³ But the one sown *with seed* on the good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces, some a hundred, some sixty, and some thirty *times as much*.”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Please be seated.

THE SERMON – Rev. Oz

After the sermon, silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

Leader: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

People: 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.
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.**

Please kneel or sit to pray.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Invitation to Confession

Silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Rev. Oz: Most merciful God,

**All: 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 neighbours 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.**

Rev. Oz: Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

THE PEACE

Rev. Oz: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Please stand.

Offertory

Hymn #610 (BB) Before I take the body of our Lord

By John Bell

Verse 1

Before I take the body of my Lord,
Before I share His life in bread and wine,
I recognize the sorry things within –
These I lay down.

Verse 2

The words of hope I often failed to give,
The prayers of kindness buried by my pride,
The signs of care I argued out of sight –
These I lay down.

Verse 3

The narrowness of vision and of mind,
The need for other folk to serve my will,
And every word and silence meant to hurt –
These I lay down.

Verse 4

Of those around in whom I meet my Lord,
I ask their pardon and I grant them mine,
That every contradiction to Christ's peace
Might be laid down.

Verse 5

Lord Jesus Christ, companion at his feast,
I empty now my heart and stretch my hands
And ask to meet you here in bread and wine—
Which you lay down.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. Oz: Father,

your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom.

Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace;
for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. Oz: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Rev. Oz: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Rev. Oz: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Rev. Oz: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; you renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the holy people who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

People: 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.

Rev. Oz: We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;

in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
our Lord 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 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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

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

Rev. Oz: and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving

to you, Lord 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 your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.
In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and
daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
almighty Father, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*sung*)

Rev. Oz: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People: **Our Father in heaven,**

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

**And deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Rev. Oz: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

All: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

THE COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

If you would like prayer during this time, the Prayer Ministry is available by the font

In Anglican churches, everyone who is baptized is welcome to come and receive communion. You may kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. If you are unable to come to the altar rail, please notify the sides people and they will alert the Communion Servers to come to you. If you would like to come forward for a blessing instead of communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion is an important part of our worship. Please use this time to prayerfully prepare yourself for communion and to reflect on Jesus' gift after you have received communion. You may find singing the Communion Hymns helpful. Please refrain from talking during this time.

Options at the altar rail: the common cup to your left, bread and wine mingled together to the right.

Hymn #321: When I Survey

By Isaac Watts

Verse 1

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Verse 2

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most -
I sacrifice them to His blood.

Verse 3

See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Verse 4

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Hymn: Faithful One

By Doerksen

Verse 1

Faithful One so unchanging
Ageless One You're my Rock of peace
Lord of all I depend on You
I call out to You again and again
I call out to You again and again

Chorus

You are my Rock in times of trouble
You lift me up when I fall down
All through the storm
Your love is the anchor
My hope is in You alone

Hymn #315: Were You There?

Traditional Spiritual

Verse 1

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble!
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Verse 2

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble!
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Verse 3

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?
O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble!
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

Verse 4

Were you there when He rose up from the dead?
Were you there when He rose up from the dead?
O! Sometimes I feel like shouting glory, glory, glory!
Were you there when He rose up from the dead?

Post Communion Song

Please stand and sing.

Hymn: You are my King (Amazing Love)

By Foote

Verse

I'm forgiven
Because You were forsaken
I'm accepted
You were condemned
I'm alive and well
Your Spirit is within me
Because You died
And rose again

Chorus

Amazing love
How can it be
That You my King
Would die for me
Amazing love
I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You
In all I do I honor You

Ending

You are my King
You are my King
Jesus You are my King
Jesus You are my King

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Oz: Living God,
in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom.
May we who taste this mystery
forever serve you in faith, hope, and love.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People: Amen

Rev. Oz: Glory to God,

People: whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.

**Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

Please be seated

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymn #526: The Solid Rock

By Edward More; William B. Bradbury

Verse 1

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

Verse 2

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil. [Refrain]

Verse 3

His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay. [Refrain]

Verse 4

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne. [Refrain]

Leader: God has reconciled us to Himself

People: Let us go forth as ministers of His
reconciliation.

Alleluia!



Noses and Nickels for May 2026



Noses and Nickels for May 2026

Income \$15, 641.70

Expenses \$22, 176.72



Net - \$6, 496.23



Year to date for the End of May

-\$8,174.12



Average Sunday Attendance in May

85



Average Sunday Attendance in June

77



Prayers of the People – July 12, 2026

James wrote, “The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.” (James 5:16b)

OUR CHURCH

The Most Reverend Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of the Northern Lights &

Archbishop of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

The Right Reverend Shane Parker, Primate of The Anglican Church of Canada

The Right Reverend Leopold Friday, Bishop of our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands

The Most Reverend Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Province of the Episcopal Church of

South Sudan

IN OUR DIOCESE

St. George-in-the-Pines, Banff The Rev. Seth Enriquez

The Rev. Howard Thornton (Hon. Asst.)

Camp Harding

IN OUR SISTER DIOCESE OF THE WINDWARD ISLANDS

Holy Trinity, Georgetown with St. John, Holy Name,

St. Peter, St. Luke, and Byera Chapel, on St. Vincent

The Ven. Junior Ballantyne

IN THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

The Rt. Rev. Rachael Parker, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Brandon

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA

Bishop Trish Schmermund, the people and rostered

ministers of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories

MORAVIAN The Van-Es Camp and Conference Centre

OUR KING AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

King Charles III; Prime Minister, Mark Carney; Premier

Danielle Smith, Mayor Linnsie Clark; Medicine Hat Council

Members; Councillor - Dunmore/Veinerville, Blaine Brost

OUR CITY CHURCHES

Glenview Nazarene, Andrew Barker

OUR PROVINCE

Community Well-being: Pray for the mental health of Albertans, particularly in regions that have faced recent economic hardships or natural disasters. Pray for unity and understanding across diverse communities as they navigate social and political changes.

The Mustard Seed of Medicine hat

OUR WORLD

Nigeria – Alheri was 12 when Boko Haram fighters took her captive. She escaped and came to Open Doors' trauma centre. Praise God! Alheri asks: "Pray that God will strengthen my faith and take away my dreams about Boko Haram."

OUR PARISH

St. Barnabas Church with The Reverend Oz Lorentzen and his family – Delynne, Soren & Laec
Linda G; John & Carol F; Jim G

Indonesia,
Jerusha in Ghana
Altar Guild

Barnabas Connections
Maintenance Committee

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED

Anne and Ric; Shirley; Franz; Colleen and Philip; Kolby; Betty S; Crystal T; David F; Kay D; Randy G; Leela; Alan; Roger; John and Grace; Brock; Scott & and their families
If you or anyone you know would like prayer, call the Office at (403) 526-7713



St. Barnabas Anglican Church

Our Mission is Glorifying God as
Agents of His Reconciliation.

"God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself -
and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation."
2 Corinthians 5:19

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We give thanks for the service of these people this morning:

Celebrant

Reverend Oz Lorentzen

Lay Reader

Deb Deans

Prayers of the People

Lynne Windjack

Music

Carol Fedoruk

Readers

Veronica Blocksage & Grace Marshall

Bread/Wine Presenters

Veronica Blocksage & Grace Marshall

Greeters

Twyla & Billy Yasinchuk

Sound Board

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Lock-up

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Altar Guild

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