



Holy

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Welcome to all God's guests, especially those who are here for the first time or who call yourselves "visitors" among the people of this community. It is at God's invitation, through worship, the Holy Spirit calls each of us to come to a place of **community**, **communion** and **commitment**. Each of us brings a different lens to worship, and yet, in a worshiping community, these differences become celebrations of diversity.

Children are always welcome in worship services; however please know the cry room at the back of the sanctuary is available for parents who need to tend to their little ones.

Please silence your cellphone at this time



Welcome to Worship Confession and Forgiveness <u>Please stand in body or spirit.</u>

P Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.
 Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

All you free us to love others,

but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.

You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,

but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.

You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity,

but we grow weary in doing what is right.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Do not give up on us.

Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.

Amen.

P You belong to Christ Jesus

and you are God's children through faith.

In the cross of 🕂 Christ,

and through the power of the Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

All Amen.



- Greeting
- *P* The Lord be with you
- All And also with you.

Prayer for This Day

P Let us pray:

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three.

All Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

You may be Seated

A Reading from Proverbs, the 8th chapter

In the Bible, wisdom is portrayed in terms sometimes human and sometimes divine. Often, wisdom is personified as feminine. In this passage, Woman Wisdom is depicted not only as the first creation of God, but also as God's helper, rejoicing in God's creation, especially in human beings.

¹ Does not wisdom call and understanding raise her voice?
² On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand;
³ beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
⁴ "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all who live.

²² "The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.

²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.

- ²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth,
- ²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields or the world's first bits of soil.
- ²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
- ²⁸ when he made firm the skies above,
- when he established the fountains of the deep,
- ²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit,

so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth,

- ³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker, and I was daily his delight,
- playing before him always,
- ³¹ playing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

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WA The word of the Lord
All Thanks be to God!
A Reading from Romans, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter
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Paul describes the life of faith with reference to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. Even now, we have peace with God through Jesus, and our hope for the future is grounded in the love of God that we experience through Christ's Holy Spirit.

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

WA The word of the Lord



All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus' ongoing presence with the disciples will be made known through the coming Spirit who will guide them and communicate to them Jesus' will and glory.

[Jesus said,] ¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you." *P* The Gospel of our Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

You may be Seated





Apostles' Creed

P Let us join together with the saints across the ages confessing our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

You may be Seated



WA Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.



(each prayer petition ends with) L: God of grace,

All: You hear our prayer.



You may be Seated



Offertory Prayer

P Risen One,

as you broke bread with the disciples on the shore, meet us now in this meal.

All Nourish us to follow you,

using our gifts to feed the hungry and tend the weary, and all for your love's sake. Amen.

Holy Communion <u>Please stand in body or spirit.</u>

- *P* The Lord be with you
- All And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- All We lift them to the Lord.
- *P* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- All It is right to give God thanks and praise.



Do This in Remembrance



The Lord's Prayer

P Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

 All 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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Invitation

P Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

Note: the communion cups on the periphery of the tray contain red wine while the cups in the center contain white grape juice. Gluten Free wafers available —ask the communion attendant

Communion Songs

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!





Post Communion Blessing and Prayer

- *P* The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- All Amen
- P Living One,in this feast you have made yourself known to us.
- All Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.





- · Dismissal
- WA Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
- All Thanks be to God.



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Readings for next Sunday, June 22 nd	First Reading:	Isaiah 65:1-9
	Psalm:	Psalm 22:19-28
	Second Reading:	Galatians 3:23-29
L	Gospel:	Luke 8:26-39
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