



The Second Sunday after  
Pentecost  
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*The mission of the Episcopal Church of the Cross is to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We are the ECC: Loving God and our Neighbors.*

### Welcome to Church of the Cross!

If you're new and would like to learn more about Church of the Cross, please scan the code below and we'll be in touch later this week. Thank you!



Welcome

Opening Song

“Joyful, Joyful”

Joyful, joyful, we adore You,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before You,  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day!

All Your works with joy surround You,  
Earth and heaven reflect Your rays,  
Stars and angels sing around You,  
Center of unbroken praise;  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,

Flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain  
Praising You eternally!

Always giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Well-spring of the joy of living,  
Ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Loving Father, Christ our Brother,  
Let Your light upon us shine;  
Teach us how to love each other,  
Lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the mighty chorus,  
Which the morning stars began;  
God's own love is reigning o'er us,  
Joining people hand in hand.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife;  
Joyful music leads us sunward  
In the triumph song of life.

*Celebrant*      Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

*People*          And Blessed is God's kingdom, now and forever! Amen!

*The Celebrant may say*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hid: 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.*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
 King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; 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.*

### **The Children's Message and Prayer**

*Then one or two Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying*

#### **A Reading from the Book of Galatians 3:23-29**

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

#### **Song**

#### **“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”**

Lord, you give the Great Commission:

"Heal the sick and preach the word."

Lest the church neglect its mission

and the gospel go unheard,

help us witness to your purpose

with renewed integrity:

With the Spirit's gifts empower

us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you make the common holy:  
"This my body, this my blood."  
Let us all, for earth's true glory,  
daily lift life heavenward,  
asking that the world around us  
share your children's liberty:  
With the Spirit's gifts empower  
us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you show us love's true measure:  
"Father, what they do, forgive."  
Yet we hoard as private treasure  
all that you so freely give.  
May your care and mercy lead us  
to a just society:  
With the Spirit's gifts empower  
us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you bless with words assuring:  
"I am with you to the end."  
Faith and hope and love restoring,  
may we serve as you intend,  
and, amid the cares that claim us,  
hold in mind eternity:  
With the Spirit's gifts empower  
us for the work of ministry.

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 8:26-39.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" ~ for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### **The Message**

*On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing*

### **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; 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.

### **The Prayers of the People**

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

*Prayer Leader* Lord, we are your people, gathered in prayer; and we love you. We pray for your holy and Universal Church;

*People* That we all may be one.

*Prayer Leader* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*People* That your Name may be glorified by all people.

*Prayer Leader* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons.  
*People* That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

*Prayer Leader* We pray for our Search Committee and the important work they are doing to call our next Vicar.  
*People* That they may be guided by the Holy Spirit.

*Prayer Leader* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*People* That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

*Prayer Leader* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake,  
*People* That our works may find favor in your sight;

*Prayer Leader* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*People* That they may be delivered from their distress.

*Prayer Leader* Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*People* Let light perpetual shine upon them.

*Prayer Leader* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*People* May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

*Prayer Leader* And now we place before you our own needs and concerns, silently or aloud...  
*An open space to offer our own petitions and thanksgivings.*  
Hear us, Lord;  
*People* For your mercy is great.

*Prayer Leader* We give thanks our calling together as the Church of the Cross, and for sending us out into our community, nation, and world:  
*People* To love You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

*Prayer Leader* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

### *Leader and People*

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your 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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins  
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all  
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in  
eternal life. Amen.

### **The Peace**

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

### **Announcements**

### **The Holy Communion**

#### **The Offering**

*Offerings in support of the mission and ministry of Church of the Cross may be placed in the offering basket as it comes by you. Offering may also be made electronically by texting ECCLAKETRAVIS with your amount to 73256.*

### **Song**

#### **“Great is Thy Faithfulness”**

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not, as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.  
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;



All I have needed thy hand hath provided, great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness, to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love  
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided, great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!  
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided, great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

### **The Great Thanksgiving**      *Eucharistic Prayer A*

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest,  
faces them and sings or says*

The Lord be with you.

*People*      And also with you.

*Celebrant*   Lift up your hearts!

*People*      We lift them to the Lord!

*Celebrant*   Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*      It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Then the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and 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.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, 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 Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Then may be sung or said*

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*And may add*

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for  
you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith,  
with thanksgiving.

*You are welcome to come forward to receive communion. The blue chalice contains regular wine. The white chalice contains non-alcoholic wine. Gluten free wafers are also available upon request.*

## Songs

### **“How Firm a Foundation”**

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!  
What more can be said than to you God hath said,  
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,  
for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,  
my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;  
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

### **“Down in the River to Pray”**

As I went down in the river to pray studying about that good old way  
And who shall wear the starry crown; good Lord, show me the way!

O sisters, let's go down, let's go down, come on down  
O sisters, let's go down, down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray studying about that good old way  
And who shall wear the robe and crown; good Lord, show me the way!

O brothers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down  
Come on, brothers, let's go down, down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray studying about that good old way  
And who shall wear the starry crown; good Lord, show me the way!

O fathers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down  
O fathers, let's go down, down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray studying about that good old way  
And who shall wear the robe and crown, good Lord, show me the way!

O mothers, let's go down, let's go down; come on down?  
Come on, mothers, let's go down, down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray studying about that good old way  
And who shall wear the starry crown, good Lord, show me the way!

O sinners, let's go down, let's go down, come on down  
O sinners, let's go down, down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray studying about that good old way  
And who shall wear the robe and crown; good Lord, show me the way!

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*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 Prayer of St. Francis**

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. *Amen.*

*The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, may bless the people.*

### **Song**

#### **“Alleluia, Sing to Jesus”**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!  
His the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! His the triumph,  
his the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood.  
Jesus, out of every nation,  
has redeemed us by his blood.  
  
Alleluia! Not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! He is near us;  
faith believes nor questions how.  
Though the cloud from sight received him  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
"I am with you evermore"?  
  
Alleluia! Heavenly High Priest,  
here on earth our help, our stay;  
Alleluia! Hear the sinful

cry to you from day to day.  
Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, hear our plea,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,  
you the Lord of lords we own:  
Alleluia! born of Mary,  
earth your footstool, heaven your throne:  
you within the veil, have entered,  
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:  
by your Spirit, left us heavenward,  
in the Eucharistic feast!

<i>Celebrant</i>	Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord!
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God!

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