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**THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**

June 14, 2026..... 11:00 a.m.

The Rev. Lois Maberry, *Deacon*

The liturgy is found in the red Book of Common Prayer (Prayer Book).

Hymns are in the blue Hymnal 1982, after the Service Music (S) section.

ORGAN PRELUDE.....*Preudio, Op. 182a* Luigi Bottazzo (1845-1924)

THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN 391 Before the Lord's eternal throne..... **WINCHESTER NEW**

The liturgy continues on Page 355 of the Prayer Book.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Deacon Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Deacon says

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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO S-280 Robert J. Powell (1932-2025)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Deacon Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON Exodus 19:2-8a

The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.”

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. The people all answered as one: “Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do.”

METRICAL PSALM 100 Hymn #377 OLD HUNDREDTH

THE EPISTLE..... Romans 5:1-8

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 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. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person- though perhaps for a

good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

HYMN 455 O love of God, how strong and true.....**DUNEDIN**

THE HOLY GOSPEL **Matthew 9:35–10:23**

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

“See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that

time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”

SERMON..... The Rev. Lois Maberry

THE NICENE CREED..... Prayer Book, p. 358

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Form IV..... Prayer Book, p. 388

The Deacon adds a concluding Collect.

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel as able. Silence may be kept.

CONFESSION OF SIN Prayer Book, p. 360

The Deacon remains kneeling and says

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

THE PEACE

All stand. The Deacon says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Deacon begins the Offertory with the following sentence of Scripture.

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

Ephesians 5:2

HYMN As we gather at your Table IN BABILONE



1. As we gath - er at your Ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your Word,
2. Turn our wor - ship in - to wit - ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;
3. Gra - cious Spi - rit, help us sum - mon oth - er guests to share that Feast



help us know, O God, your pre - sence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
send us forth to love and serve you, bring - ing peace where there is strife.
where tri - umph - ant Love shall wel - come those who had been lost and least.



Nour - ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
Give us, Christ, your great com - pas - sion to for - give as you for - gave;
There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,



teach us through this ho - ly ban - quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.
as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

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Music: IN BABILONE, melody from *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansseu*, 1710.

The Deacon reverently places the consecrated Sacrament on the Altar.

Deacon Let us now pray in the words which our Savior Christ has taught us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER Prayer Book, p. 364

Deacon The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Eucharist in The Episcopal Church.

You are also welcome to remain seated.

We encourage you to do whatever is authentic to your beliefs and comfortable to your convictions.

ORGAN*Communio*, Op. 182b L. Bottazzo

HYMN 610 Lord, whose love through humble service BLAENHAFREN

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Prayer Book, p. 366

After Communion, the Deacon says

Let us pray.

Deacon and People

Almighty and everliving God,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food

of the most precious Body and Blood

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the Body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out

to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you

as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 535 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim PADERBORN

ORGAN POSTLUDE Sortie in C Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens (1823–1881)

This week we remember Lorena Barton, Roy Rupert Bossier Jr., Tommy Ray Harrison, Patricia Peyton,

Mary Alice Semon, Ruth Hamilton Shehee, and Jimmie Arthur Tucker, buried from Holy Cross.

