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The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 20, 2025

Preacher & Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Jung-Chul Lee

8:00 am - Healing & Holy Eucharist

We extend a warm welcome to everyone who has joined us this morning. We pray you experience the presence and love of Christ as we worship together!

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All stand as able

Opening Hymn

"Be thou my vision"

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; nought be all else to me save that thou art.	Thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,	0 0 ,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.	High King of heaven, my victory won,
	may I reach heaven's joys,
Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;	e
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;	Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Thou my great Father and I thy true son;	Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.	Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1941);
Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,	Music: Slane, Irish ballad melody
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;	

The Word of the Lord

Celebrant:Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.People:And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: 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.**





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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
 People: And also with you.
 Celebrant: Let us pray together. Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Old Testament

Amos 8:1-12

This is what the Lord GOD showed me-- a basket of summer fruit. He said, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A basket of summer fruit." Then the LORD said to me,

"The end has come upon my people Israel; I will never again pass them by. The songs of the temple shall become wailings in that day," says the Lord GOD; "the dead bodies shall be many, cast out in every place. Be silent!" Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath. so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. Shall not the land tremble on this account, and everyone mourn who lives in it,

and all of it rise like the Nile, and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt? On that day, says the Lord GOD, I will make the sun go down at noon, and darken the earth in broad daylight. I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on all loins, and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son, and the end of it like a bitter day. The time is surely coming, says the Lord GOD, when I will send a famine on the land; not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD. They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the LORD, but they shall not find it. Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 52

You tyrant, why do you boast of wickedness * against the godly all day long?

You plot ruin; your tongue is like a sharpened razor, * O worker of deception.

You love evil more than good *

and lying more than speaking the truth.

You love all words that hurt, *

O you deceitful tongue.

Oh, that God would demolish you utterly, * topple you, and snatch you from your dwelling, and root you out of the land of the living!

The righteous shall see and tremble, * and they shall laugh at him, saying,

"This is the one who did not take God for a refuge, * but trusted in great wealth and relied upon wickedness."

But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; * I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.

I will give you thanks for what you have done * and declare the goodness of your Name in the presence of the godly.

The Epistle

Colossians 1:15-28

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him-- provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Reader:The Word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

"Blessed Jesus, at thy word"

Hymnal 440

(Verses 1 & 2)

(Please stand as able for the Gospel)

The Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

Celebrant:The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.People:Glory to You, Lord Christ.

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Celebrant:	The Gospel of the Lord.
People:	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Response	"Blessed Jesus, at thy word"
	(Verse 3)

Hymnal 440

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Jung-Chul Lee

The Nicene Creed (Please stand as able)

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.

Healing Litany

You may stand, sit or kneel for the prayers

Celebrant: Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

The People audibly name those for whom they are interceding.

Intercessor: All:	God the Father, your will for your people is healing and salvation; We praise you and thank you, O Lord.
Intercessor:	God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;
All:	We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Intercessor: All:	God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence; We praise you and thank you, O Lord.		
Intercessor: All:	Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being; We praise you and thank you, O Lord.		
Intercessor:	Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole;		
All:	Hear us, O Lord of life.		
Intercessor:	Grant to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;		
All:	Hear us, O Lord of life.		
Intercessor: All:	Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience; Hear us, O Lord of life.		
Intercessor:	Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to		
Intercessor.	soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;		
All:	Hear us, O Lord of life.		
Intercessor:	Sustain and support those who seek your guidance and lift up all who are brought low by the trials of this life.		
All:	Hear us, O Lord of life.		
Intercessor:	Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;		
All:	Hear us, O Lord of life.		
Intercessor:	Give eternal rest to all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially for Frederick Belleshiem in whose memory the altar flowers are given, and for all the departed,		
All:	Hear us, O Lord of life.		
Intercessor:	Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;		
All:	Hear us, O Lord of life.		
Intercessor: All:	You are the Lord who does mighty wonders: You have declared your power among the peoples.		
Intercessor: All:	With you, O Lord, is the well of life: And in your light we see light.		

Intercessor: All:	Hear us, O Lord of life: Heal us, and make us whole.
Intercessor:	We pray for all who have asked for our prayers and those we now lift up to you.

(Please add your own intercessions or thanksgivings out loud or in the silence of your heart.)

Celebrant: Father of Jesus, hear our prayers as we prayer for one another. Hear them in the voice of your Son, your word of love to us. We listen for his voice as we pray in his name: Jesus Christ, Lord of heaven and earth forever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Please kneel as able

- Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*
- All: Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.
- Celebrant: 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

Celebrant:The peace of the Lord be always with you.People:And also with you.

Announcements Please be seated for the announcements

Healing Testimonies

Please stand as able for all hymns

Offertory Hymn

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

> Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;

"Blessed assurance"

Angels descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain*

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest; Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love. *Refrain*

> Words: Fanny J. Crosby (1820-1915); Music: Assurance, Phoebe P. Knapp (1839-1908)

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him, all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia. Praise him above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

(Remain standing as able)

Celebrant:	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 him thanks and praise.		
Celebrant:	${ m It}$ is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give		
	thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, that through		
	Jesus the sick are healed: the blind regain their sight, the deaf hear, the lame		
	walk, and the outcast are brought home; the poor receive good news and		
	the dead are raised to life.		
Celebrant: People:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise. It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, that through Jesus the sick are healed: the blind regain their sight, the deaf hear, the larr walk, and the outcast are brought home; the poor receive good news and		

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:



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You may stand or kneel.

Celebrant

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:

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

Celebrant 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 St. Paul and 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**.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant:	Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
All:	Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God: Agnus Dei O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. 1 that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, grant us O Lamb of God. thy peace.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

- Please follow the ushers directions for receiving the Eucharist in the center aisle.
- Let an usher know if you prefer to remain seated at your pew for distribution of the Bread and Wine.

Communion Hymn

"Jesus, Jesus"

Jesus, Jesus,
From darkness to light,
my life overflows.
Jesus, Jesus,
Your mercy and grace,
Like a river flowing down. Chorus

Words and music by Geoff Bullock ©1996 Word Music, ARR, ICS, UBP CCLI #33760

Chorus And Jesus, I come, Beholding Your face, I am changed from glory to glory; And now I see, and now I know, One touch of Your life brings glory to my soul.

Communion Hymn

All who are thirsty All who are weak Come to the fountain Dip your heart in the stream of life Let the pain and the sorrow Be washed away In the waves of His mercy As deep cries out to deep (repeat)

"All who are thirsty"

Come, Lord Jesus come (x3) Holy Spirit come (x3)

As deep cries out to deep (2x)

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Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All:

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant:	Go now, trusting in God's love forever and always giving thanks. Do not
	be worried or distracted, nor shift from the hope promised in the gospel,
	but choose the better way, uprooting injustice and proclaiming Christ with
	all wisdom. Amen.

And may God establish you securely in the faith; May Christ Jesus make you holy and blameless before God; And may the Holy Spirit raise you to maturity in Christ. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn "Immortal, invisible, God only wise" Hymnal 423

Dismissal

Celebrant:	Let us bless the Lord.
	Alleluia! Alleluia!
All:	Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!



"Celebrating 240 years in the Spirit"

The altar flowers today are given by Heather Melody in memory of Frederick Bellesheim.

Altar Flowers - If you would like to request Altar flowers for a particular Sunday please see the Flower Chart in the back of the church, fill out an envelope located in the back of the church, send an email request to <u>dszen@yahoo.com</u> or contact the parish office.

Announcements

Back to School Supply Drive - This summer we are joining with the Jericho Partnership for a school supply drive. Anything you are able to contribute will help! Donations need to be dropped off in the basket in the back of the church by next Sunday, July 27th. Any questions, please reach out to Kagan Kronberg at (203) 856-2230.

Name Tags - Please be courteous to visiting clergy, fellow parishioners, newcomers, and guests by extending a warm welcome to them and by wearing your name tag. You can leave them in the baskets at the doors as you leave for refiling. And remember to wear them to coffee hour as well.

Coffee Gathering - Following this service, join us downstairs in Crocker Hall for coffee.

Adult Class - The Adult Class meets on Sundays between services starting at 9:30 in Guild Room. They are currently discussing Colossians. Contact Dot Crocker for more info.

Summer Reading Group - Join Fr. Nate in the Guild Room after the Wednesday healing services to discuss *Finding Sanctuary* by Jennifer Hubbard.

Nursery Service - Is provided during the 10:30 service each Sunday for children through age 4. Parents, please fetch your child from the nursery during announcement time so they and the nursery caregiver can return to the worship service for Communion.

Drive-Thru Food Collection - Our next Drive-Thru Food Collection will be this Wednesday, July 23rd from 11 am to noon. This will be our 138th food drive since we started doing them in April 2020!

Young Women's Night Out - Next Thursday, July 24 at 6:00 pm at Maggie McFly's, Brookfield. Drop-in when you can for a relaxed evening of connection and conversation. RSVP by texting Kagan Kronberg at (203) 856-2230.

Youth Sunday - Next Sunday will be "Youth Sunday" at both services with the youth of our parish leading and filling most of the leadership positions in our worship services.

Our Facilities - Our restrooms are located downstairs at the rear of our parish hall. Take the stairway to the right as you exit the sanctuary. The restrooms are located in the far left corner of the parish hall, across from the kitchen. A play area for our young ones is also set up in the parish hall as well as live streaming and audio of the service on a wide screen TV. In addition, coloring book packages are available for youngsters to use in the pews. If you need anything during the service, please feel free to ask an usher.

Calendar For The Week

(We welcome and encourage parishioners to come to any of these ministries.) (Check website for up to date Zoom links - <u>www.SaintPaulsBrookfield.com</u>

Sun., Ju1 20	8:00 am -	Traditional Holy Eucharist (YouTube Live)
	9:30 am -	Adult Class, Guild Room
	10:30 am -	Contemporary Holy Eucharist (YouTube Live)
Mon., Jul 21	7:00 pm -	Men's Bible Study, Crocker Hall (YouTube Live)
Tue., Jul 22	9:30 am -	Ladies Tuesday AM Bible Study, Guild Room
Wed., Jul 23	10:00 am -	Holy Eucharist & Healing (YouTube Live)
	11 am - Noon	Drive-Thru Food Collection
	11:30 am -	Summer Reading Group, Guild Room
	7:00 pm -	Ladies Evening Zoom Bible Study (Zoom)
Thu., Jul 24	9:30 am -	Iron Sharpens Iron Discussion Group, Guild Room
	6:00 pm -	Young Women's Night Out, Maggie McFly's
Sat., Jul 26	7:30 am -	John 21:12 Group, Theo's Downtown Diner, New Milford
	8:00 am -	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Crocker Hall
Sun., Ju1 27	8:00 am -	Traditional Holy Eucharist (YouTube Live)
	9:30 am -	Adult Class, Guild Room
	10:30 am -	Contemporary Holy Eucharist (YouTube Live)



Next Sunday - The 7th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am & 10:30 am Preacher: Sophia Tilford

Readings for July 27th Genesis 18:20-32, Psalm 138, Colossians 2:6-19, Luke 11:1-13

