

**Sunday, June 14th, 2026**  
**Third Sunday after Pentecost (Green)**

**First Reading**

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS (18:1-15 (21:1-7))

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh."

The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Now Sarah said, "God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me." And she said, "Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

**Psalms** (116:1, 10-17)

I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

How shall I repay the Lord for all the good things he has done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.

I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his servants.

O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the Lord.

I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

## **Second Reading**

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE 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.

## **Gospel**

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW (9:35-10:16)

And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip, and

Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the publican; James the son of Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus; Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not: But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give. Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses, Nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat. And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, enquire who in it is worthy; and there abide till ye go thence. And when ye come into an house, salute it. And if the house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you. And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet. Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrhah in the day of judgment, than for that city. Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.

## Hymns

Open : CP468 **To Abraham and Sarah**

Tune: Thornbury-B. Harwood Text : J. Fetter (c) 1984

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To Abraham and Sarah the call of God was clear:

“Go forth, and I will show you a country rich and fair.

You need not fear the journey, for I have pledged my word that you shall be my people, and I will be your God.”

From Abraham and Sarah arose a pilgrim race,  
dependent for their journey on God’s abundant grace;  
and in their heart was written by God this saving word,  
“That you shall be my people, and I will be your God.”

We of the generation on whom God’s hand is laid  
can journey to the future secure and unafraid,  
rejoicing in God’s goodness and trusting in his word,  
“That you shall be my people, and I will be your God.”

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Gradual : SANC 137 **Called to Faith**

Tune: Blaenwern-Wm.P. Rowlands Text: Ellen Clark-King (c)2007

Called to faith, your people gather,  
Christ, our brother, in your name,  
knowing need of one another,  
faces different, hearts the same,  
growing in your holy likeness,  
open, healing, Spirit-spurred,  
families formed for loving service,  
fed by bread and wine and word.

Called to hope, your people serve you  
As they reach out through your grace,  
Seeking out your mission's purpose,  
Being Christ in every place,  
working for shalom and justice,  
learning how to simply share  
so your will may be enacted  
as we ask in daily prayer.

----gospel ---

Called to love, your people challenge  
All that silences your song:  
Prejudice and greed and malice,  
weak exploited by the strong.  
Serving Jesus in self-giving,  
choosing your will, not our own,  
we will truly be your people  
so your kingdom can be grown.

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Offertory : **Give Thanks**

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Give thanks with a grateful heart  
Give thanks to the Holy One  
Give thanks because He's given  
Jesus Christ His Son

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Jesus Christ His Son

And now let the weak say I am strong  
Let the poor say I am rich  
Because of what the Lord has done for us

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Jesus Christ His Son

And now let the weak say I am strong  
Let the poor say I am rich  
Because of what the Lord has done for us  
Give thanks... give thanks

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Close: SANC 168 **May the God of Hope Go With Us**

Tune: Argentina (trad. ) Text (tr.): A. Schutmaat, (P.D.)

May the God of hope go with us every day,  
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace,  
singing, share our joy with all;  
working for a world that's new,  
faithful when we hear Christ's call.

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