

EASY PRINT – Seventh Sunday After Pentecost – July 12, 2026

Please rise in body or spirit & sing

Processional Hymn: #474 – “JESUS WHERE’ER THY PEOPLE MEET” (V 1, 2, 4, 5)

Jesus, where’er Thy people meet, there they behold Thy mercy-seat;
Where’er they seek Thee, Thou art found, with grace and mercy to abound.

For Thou, within no walls confined, inhabitest the humble mind;
Such ever bring Thee where they come, and going, take Thee to their home.

Here may we prove the power of prayer to strengthen faith and sweeten care;
To teach our faint desires to rise and bring Thy light before our eyes.

Lord, we are few, but Thou art near; nor short Thine arm, nor deaf Thine ear;
Oh, rend the heavens, come quickly down and make our waiting hearts Thine own.

✠ The Gathering of the Community

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Almighty God,

All: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.**

The Collect of the Day

Please kneel or be seated

Leader: Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

Please be seated

Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger." When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Genesis 25.19–34

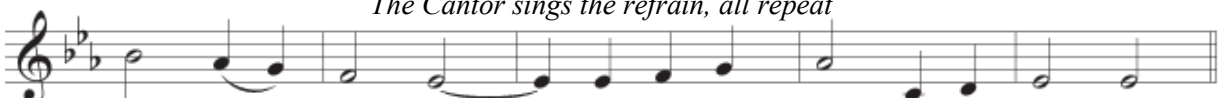
People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm # 119.105-112

Please remain seated

The Cantor sings the refrain, all repeat



You di - rect me, that I might keep your sta - tutes!

Verse: Your word is a lantern to my feet and a light upon my path. I have sworn and am determined to keep your righteous judgment. **REFRAIN**

Verse: I am deeply troubled; preserve my life, O God, according to your word. Accept, O God, the willing tribute of my lips, and teach me your judgments. **REFRAIN**

Verse: My life is always in my hand, yet I do not forget your law. The wicked have set a trap for me, but I have not strayed from your commandments.
REFRAIN

Verse: Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; truly, they are the joy of my heart. I have applied my heart to fulfil your statutes for ever and to the end.
REFRAIN

Reader: A Reading from Paul to the Romans.

Please be seated

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Romans 8:1–11

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

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Sequence Hymn: #447 – “ALMIGHTY GOD, THY WORD IS CAST”

The first two verses are sung before the Gospel,

Almighty God, thy Word is cast like seed into the ground;
now let the dew of heav'n descend and righteous fruits abound.

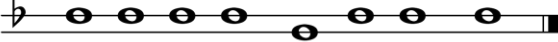
Let not the foe of righteousness this holy seed remove,
but give it root in ev'ry heart to bring forth fruits of love.

The Gospel

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

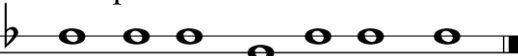
Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: 
Glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

Matthew 13.1–9, 18–23

All: 
Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

The last two verses are sung after the Gospel

Let not the world's deceitful cares the rising plant destroy,
but let it yield a hundredfold the fruits of peace and joy.

Oft as the precious seed is sown, thy quickening grace bestow
that all whose souls the truth receive its saving pow'r may know.

Sermon

Please be seated

The Nicene Creed

Please rise in body or spirit

Leader: Let us confess our faith as we say,

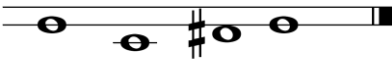
All: **We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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

Please kneel or be seated

The Leader offers prayers for the church, the world, the sick and the suffering, and those who have died.

Leader: Loving God, you are the ultimate Sower, scattering seeds of grace, truth, and love indiscriminately across the world. We pray today with open and expectant hearts, praying:

All: 
Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Creator, we pray for the Church. In the Mississauga Deanery we pray for the In our parish, we pray for ... like a well-trodden path, help us break through with compassion. Where faith is shallow and easily scorched by the sun of hardship, root us deeply in your unending love. May we scatter seeds of hope, peace, and justice everywhere we go. Let us pray.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Sower of all life, we lift up our broken world to you. We pray for leaders and nations weighed down by the thorns of greed, anxiety, and the pursuit of power. May your wisdom clear the path for justice and peace to thrive. We remember those who are suffering, those who are marginalized, and those experiencing famine or conflict. Soften the soil of our societies so that every person may experience the harvest of your provision. Let us pray.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: God of comfort, we bring before you those in need of your healing, provision, and grace. We pray for the lonely, the sick, and those whose spirits feel parched. We lift up those burdened by the worries of this life, We also remember those who have passed from this life's storms...(deceased). Surround them all with your presence and grant them roots that hold firm throughout eternity.

Let us pray.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Lord, we confess that we are often a mix of all these soils. Sometimes the busyness of life and the noise of the world choke out your voice. Today, we ask that you till the soil of our lives. Clear away the distractions, the anxieties, and the pride. Give us ears that truly listen and hearts that receive your word, that we might yield a harvest of love, joy, and patience. Let us pray.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Gracious and loving God, we offer these prayers and our very lives into your hands. May the seeds you plant in us grow, not for our own glory, but to nourish the world around us. In the name of Christ, we pray.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Almighty God,

All: **you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfil now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Please kneel or be seated

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Leader: Most merciful God,

All: **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 neighbours 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.**

Priest: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

The Peace

Please rise in body or spirit

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*At this time, we share from the abundance of our lives and give to this community so that we may create abundance for others who live in scarcity and need.
If you feel moved to give, you may place an offering in the alms basin as it is being circulated.*

Offertory Hymn: (Tune #434) - "CHRIST TAUGHT US OF A FARMER

All sing

Christ taught us of a farmer who went out sowing seeds.
A few had trouble growing among the rocks and weeds,
Yet others grew till harvest in soil that was so good.
O God, you sow the gospel: The seed is your own word.

You sowed your word of love here so many years ago.
Your message found a welcome; your word began to grow.
By grace, this church was built here by saints who followed you.
The seed took root and flourished: we hear and follow, too.

In times of joy we praise you, in struggling times we search,
And always we are learning to be your faithful church.
Your Spirit gives us vision — and hearts and lives made new.
Your harvest is for sharing: sent out, we work for you.

✠ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Priest: Father, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we offer you today and keep us in your peace for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: **Amen.**

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first staff is labeled "Presider:" and the second and third are labeled "People:". The lyrics are written below the notes.

Presider: The Lord be with you. *People:* And al - so with you.

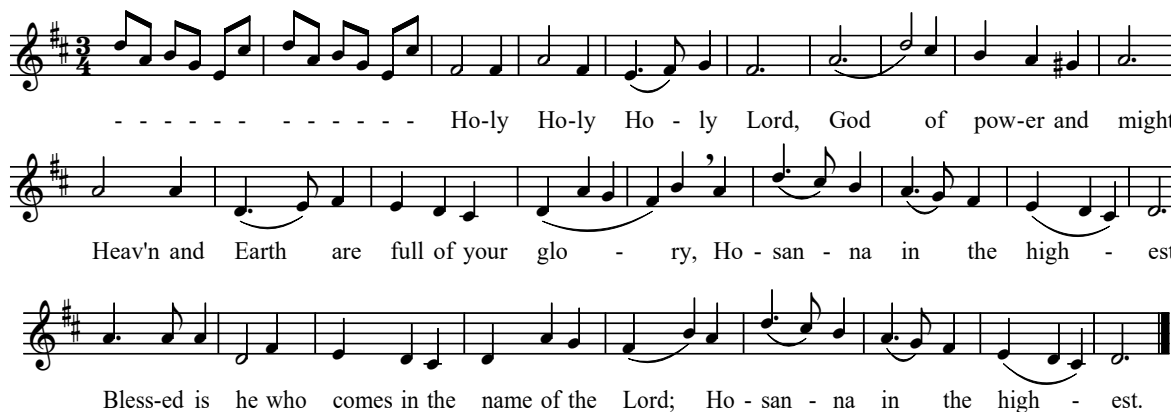
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise

Priest: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus

All sing



Ho-ly Ho-ly Ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might

Heav'n and Earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please kneel or be seated

Priest: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat" this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

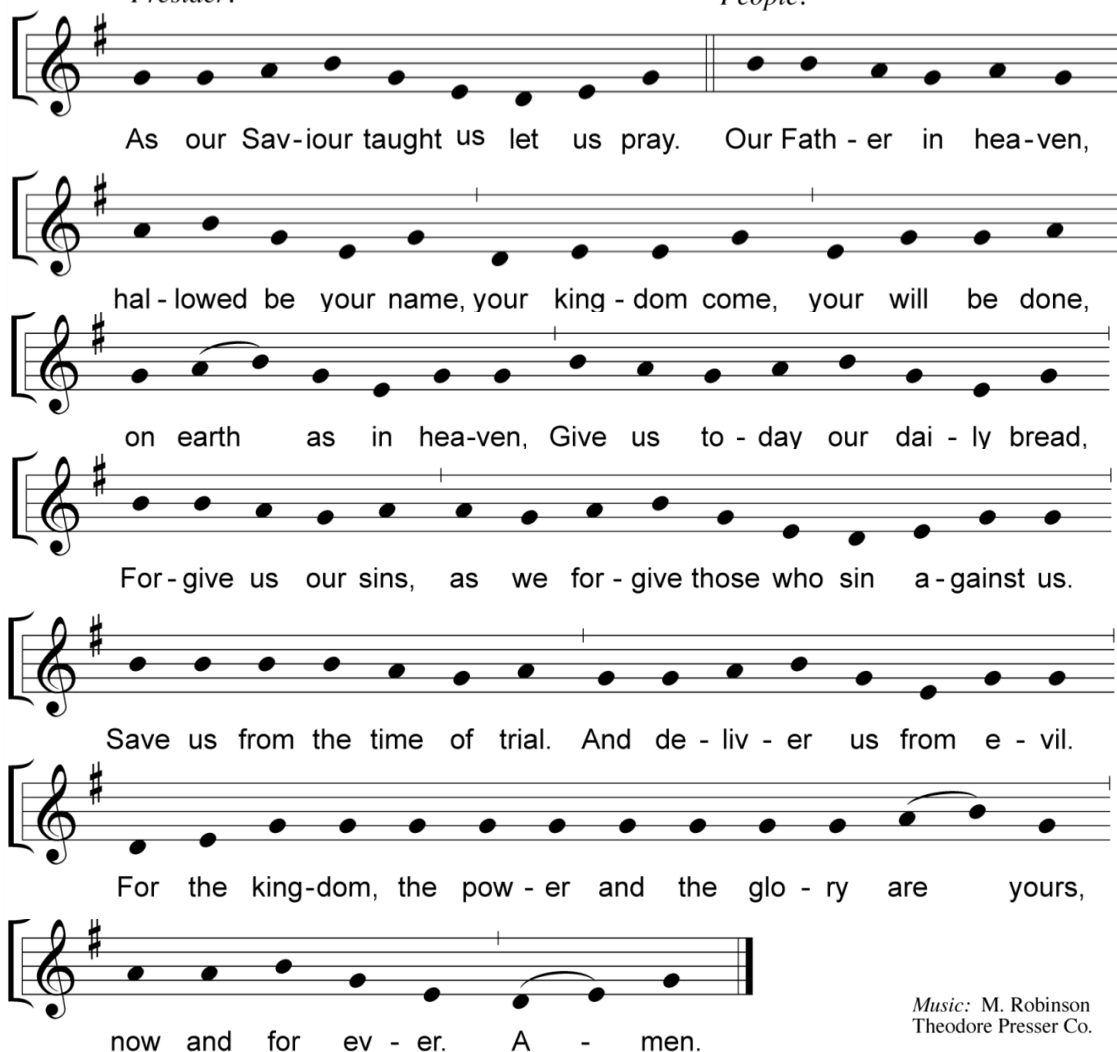
Priest: Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to be in your presence and serve you. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ. All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider:

People: All sing unaccompanied



As our Sav-iour taught us let us pray. Our Fath - er in hea-ven,
hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come, your will be done,
on earth as in hea-ven, Give us to - day our dai - ly bread,
For - give us our sins, as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.
Save us from the time of trial. And de - liv - er us from e - vil.
For the king-dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry are yours,
now and for ev - er. A - men.

*Music: M. Robinson
Theodore Presser Co.*

All: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him.



The Communion

Those who have been baptized in any Christian church, including children, are welcome to receive communion. If you have not been baptized yet or do not wish to receive the bread and wine, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your hands over your chest to alert the priest you wish to receive a blessing. Indicate to the priest if you would like to have him intinct the wafer for you.

Communion Hymn: #447 – “LORD, WE’VE HEARD YOUR WORD”

All sing

Lord, we hear your Word with gladness: you have spoken, we rejoice:
Words of love and life and freedom help us make their truth our choice!
Now in holy celebration for your Word we worship you;
spoken, written, known in Jesus, ours today to prove anew.

May we hear with understanding, by your Spirit taught and led;
may the springs of all our being by your Living Word be fed;
may our hearts accept with meekness all the grace your light makes known;
may obedience mark our footsteps, till we make each word our own!

You have spoken--yours the fulness, ours the wealth of this your Word:
debtors, then, as living letters we must make your Gospel heard!
By your Spirit's power transform us; shed your saving Light abroad
till our lives by love in action show our world the truth of God!

Communion Hymn: #52 – “O GOD UNSEEN BUT EVER NEAR”

All sing

O God, unseen yet ever near, thy presence may we feel;
and, thus inspired with holy fear around thy table kneel.

Here may thy faithful people know the blessings of your love,
the streams that through the desert flow, the manna from above.

We come, obedient to your word, to feast on heavenly food;
our meat the body of the Lord,
our drink his precious blood.

O living Bread, enduring Vine, your words we shall obey,
and go renewed with strength divine, rejoicing on our way.

Prayer after Communion

Priest: Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: Glory to God

All: **whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Priest: May the Great Sower of Grace and Love plant in your hearts the Word of Truth, that it may take root in your thoughts, be spread through your words, and grow into a harvest of good works, that all may be fed by Christ's goodness. And the blessing of God + Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you all, today and always.

All: **Amen.**

Announcements

Closing Hymn: #444– “YOUR HAND O GOD HAS GUIDED” (V, 1, 4, 5)

Please rise in body or spirit & sing

Your hand, O God, has guided your flock from age to age;
the wondrous tale is written full clear on every page;
our forebears knew your goodness, and we their deeds record,
and both of this bear witness, 'One church, one faith, one Lord.'

And we, shall we be faithless? Shall hearts fail, hands hang down?
Shall we evade the struggle and cast away the crown?
Not so; in God's deep counsels some plenteous grace was poured,
And this was still our message: 'One church, one faith, one Lord.'

Your mercy will not fail us, nor leave your work undone;
with your right hand to help us, the victory shall be won,
and then by earth and heaven your name shall be adored,
and this shall be their anthem, 'One church, one faith, one Lord.'

Dismissal

Priest: Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

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Thanks to all who participated in serving in the service today.