

**St.
Thaddeus
Episcopal Church**



**The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 7
Holy Eucharist: Rite II
June 21, 2026
10:00 AM**

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Welcome to St. Thaddeus

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today! This service is but a small part of the continual prayer and praise offered to God by Christians at every hour and in every part of the world. At times, it may feel as if you are dropping in on a conversation already in progress between God and God's people, which continues unto the ages. Don't be surprised or disturbed if there are some things that you don't understand right away—and don't be embarrassed to ask for help. We pray that this service invites you into the ongoing stream of prayer and praise that unites us all—on Earth and in Heaven—as one Body of Christ.

We invite all baptized Christians to receive the Holy Eucharist at the altar. The cross symbols in the text ☩ indicate the traditional places where the people may make the sign of the cross over themselves. If you desire for communion to be brought to you in your seat by one of the ministers, please inform an usher.

Please enter the church quietly in order not to disturb those who are in prayer, and take care to silence all noise-making devices. Children are especially encouraged and welcome to participate in all aspects of worship! “Holy wiggles” are a sure and certain sign of life and joy!

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: WE BOW DOWN

TWILA PARIS

1. You are _____ Lord of cre - a - tion and Lord of my _____
 (2. You are _____) King of cre - a - tion and King of my _____

4 life, _____ Lord King of the land _____ and the _____ sea.
 life, _____ King of the land _____ and the _____ sea.

8 You were _____ Lord of the heav - en be - fore there was _____
 You were _____ King of the heav - en be - fore there was _____

12 time, _____ and _____ Lord King of all _____ Lords You will _____ be!
 time, _____ and _____ King of all _____ Kings You will _____ be!

16 We bow _____ down _____ and we wor - ship You _____
 We bow _____ down _____ and we crown You the _____

20 1..2. _____ 3. _____
 Lord. We bow _____ Lord. _____ Lord King of all _____ Lords You will _____
 King. We bow _____ King. _____ King of all _____ Kings You will _____

24 be! _____ 2. You are _____ be!

Chords: C, G, G7, Am, F, C, D.S. al Coda, Coda, C

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

The Celebrant 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.*

The following is sung, all standing

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: SANCTUARY

J. THOMPSON & R. SCRUGGS

Lord, pre-pare me to be a sanc-tu-ar-y, pure and
ho-ly tried and true; With thanks-giv-ing I'll be a
liv-ing sanc-tu-ar-y for You.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant 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.*

All are seated.

THE FIRST READING

GENESIS 21:8-21

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, “Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.” The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, “Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman;

whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.” So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, “Do not let me look on the death of the child.” And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, “What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.” Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink. God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM: 86:1-10, 16-17

- 1 Bow down your ear, O LORD, and answer me, *
for I am poor and in misery.
- 2 Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; *
save your servant who puts his trust in you.
- 3 Be merciful to me, O LORD, for you are my God; *
I call upon you all the day long.
- 4 Gladden the soul of your servant, *
for to you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
- 5 For you, O LORD, are good and forgiving, *
and great is your love toward all who call upon you.
- 6 Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer, *
and attend to the voice of my supplications.
- 7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, *
for you will answer me.
- 8 Among the gods there is none like you, O LORD, *
nor anything like your works.

9 All nations you have made will come and worship you, O LORD, *
and glorify your Name.

10 For you are great;
you do wondrous things; *
and you alone are God.

16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; *
give your strength to your servant;
and save the child of your handmaid.

17 Show me a sign of your favor,
so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; *
because you, O LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

THE SECOND READING

ROMANS 6:1b-11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand, as you are able.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN: BE STILL AND KNOW

STEVE FRY

1. Be still and know that I Am God; be
2. I Am the Lord that heal eth thee. I
3. In Thee O Lord, I put my trust. In

5 still _____ and know that I _____ Am God; be
 Am the O Lord Lord, that that I heal Am eth the; be
 Thee _____ O Lord, I I put _____ my trust In

9 still _____ and know that I _____ Am God.
 Am the O Lord, I I heal put _____ eth thee.
 Thee _____ O Lord, I I heal put _____ my trust.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

MATTHEW 10:24-39

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, “A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! “So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. “Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE SERMON

MRS. ELLISON GARVIN WEIST

After a few moments of silence, all stand as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED

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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: FORM VI

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The Leader and People pray responsively.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For those who have commended themselves to our prayers, especially Natalie, Pamela, Warren, Charlie, Richard, Ray, Bob, Beth, Pam, Sharon, Cheryl, Mickey, Dustin, Gail, Damon, Darrell, Lee, Harry, Steve L., Anna Marie, Burt, Catharine, John B., Glenn and all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For Teddy our Mayor, Henry our Governor, Donald our President, this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean our Presiding Bishop, Daniel our Bishop, Marshall, Joseph, and Frank our Clergy, and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray for those in the military, especially Butler, Levi, John, Samantha, Hayley, Michael, Giovanni, Will, Stephanie, Richard, Ryan, and those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Leland Adams, Pat Dyke, Lawrence Fisher, Leslie Garnett, Bill Rutledge, Anne Sidey, Susan Stribling, Lisa Toole, Bill Townsend, and Connie Willis.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We pray especially for the faculty, staff, and students of Mead Hall School.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

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

Silence

All sit.

Celebrant 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 Celebrant pronounces absolution.

THE PEACE *All stand.*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

The Ministers and People greet one another with signs of peace. The Celebrant then recites the offertory sentence.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN: JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE

1. I am weak but Thou art strong; Je - sus, keep me from all wrong; _____
2. Through this world of toil and snares, If I fal - ter, Lord, who cares? _____
3. When my fee - ble life is o'er, Time for me will be no more; _____

5 I'll be sat - is - fied as long _____ As I walk, let me walk close to Thee.
Who with me my bur - den shares? _____ None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.
Guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er _____ To Thy king - dom shore to Thy shore.

9 Just a clos - er walk with Thee, Grant it, Je - sus, is my plea, _____

13 Dai - ly walk - ing close to Thee, _____ Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Guitar chords: G, D, D7, G, G7, C, C7, D7, G, G, D7, Am, D, G, G7, C, Gdim, G, D7, G, 7

THE PRESENTATION HYMN: BIND US TOGETHER

1 Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that
6 can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to -
12 geth - er, bind us to - geth - er with love. Fine

Chords: C, Dm7, Em7, Am7, Dm7, G7, C, Dm7, Em7, Am7, Dm7, G7, C

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Representatives of the congregation bring the People's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the Celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up you 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.

The Celebrant proceeds.

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:

THE SANCTUS:

Celebrant and People

To the tune "Land of Rest"

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "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, ho - san - na in the high - est." The chords are: F, Dm, Bb, F, Dm, C, F, Am, Dm, Am, Bb, F, Dm, C, F, Am, Dm, Am, Bb, F, C7, F, F.

The people stand or kneel as 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:

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,

Celebrant and People

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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 FRACTION

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

THE COMMUNION HYMN: PASS IT ON

KURT KAISER

Musical staff with notes and chords: C, Em, F, Dm7, G

1. It on - ly takes a spark to get a fire go - ing,___
 2. won - drous time is spring when all the trees are bud - ing,___
 3. wish for you, my friend, this hap - pi - ness that I've found,___

Musical staff with notes and chords: G7, C, Em, F, G

___ And soon all those a - round can warm up in its glow - ing;___
 ___ The birds be - gin to sing, the flow - ers start their bloom - ing;___
 ___ You can de - pend on me, it mat - ters not where you're bound,___

Musical staff with notes and chords: G7, F, C, Dm, G, Em, Am

___ That's how it is with God's love, once you've ex - pe - ri - enc - ed it You
 ___ That's how it is with God's love. once you've ex - pe - ri - enc - ed it You
 ___ I'll shout it from the moun - tain top, I want the world to know;___ The

Musical staff with notes and chords: Dm7, C, F, C, F, G7, 1.2. C

spread His love to ev - ery - one, You want to pass it on,___ 2. What a
 want to sing, it's fresh like spring; You want to pass it on,___ 3. I ___
 Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

Musical staff with notes and chords: 3. C, C7, F, C, Dm, G, Em, Am

___ I'll shout it from the moun - tain top, I want the world to know, The

Musical staff with notes and chords: Dm7, C, F, C, F, G, C, F, C

___ Lord of love has come to me. I want to pass it on,___

All stand or kneel.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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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.

All are seated.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

All stand.

THE BLESSING

THE POST COMMUNION HYMN: LORD REIGN IN ME BRENTON BROWN

1. O - ver all the earth You reign on high
 2. O - ver ev - 'ry thought o - ver ev - 'ry high word,

3 ev - 'ry moun - tain stream ev - 'ry sun - set sky.
 may my life re - flect the bea - ty of my Lord.

5 But my one re - quest, Lord, my on - ly aim
 You mean more to me than an - y earth - ly thing.

7 is that You'd reign in me a - gain
 So, won't You reign in me a - gain

9 Lord, reign in me. Reign in Your power o - ver all my dreams,

12 in my dark - est hour 'cause You are the Lord of all I am

15 So, won't You reign in me a - gain?

THE DISMISSAL

*The Priest dismisses the People, who respond by saying
Thanks be to God.*

Thank you for worshipping with us today! If you are worshipping with us for the first time: Welcome, we're glad you're here and hope to see you again. Please take a moment to sign our guest register located in the Narthex (foyer) so that we can make this welcome a more personal one. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you'll consider making it here with us at St. Thaddeus. Again, thank you for worshipping with us today; may you find here the peace, comfort, and love of God to carry you through your week.

Are you new to the area or visiting our church for the first time & want to know more about St. Thaddeus? Then scan the QR code below & see our website & complete our newcomer form.



SERMON NOTES



~ Serving Today ~

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Preacher	Mrs. Ellison Garvin Weist
Assisting Priest	The Reverend Dr. Marshall A. Jolly
Eucharistic Ministers	Ellison Weist
	Joanne Crystal
Lector	Patty Craft
Acolytes	Cody Hanna
	Zoe Hanna
Ushers	Larry Wyont
	Barbara McKnight
Altar Guild	Jan Waugh
	Martha Wolf
Vestry Member of the Day	J. R. Ludwick
<u>Balcony Musicians</u>	
Maura Brady	Carl Jacobs
Patty Craft	Jim Jordan
Tim Hildebrandt	Susanna King
Sally Howard	Linda Kolmar
Thomas Huff	Mary Norris

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