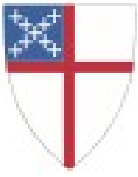


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FOREST HILL



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JUNE 28, 2026

THE 5th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite One

Instrumental Preludes

Opening Hymn – Great is thy faithfulness

LEVAS 189

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

1. There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee;
2. Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove,
3. Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

1. Thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not,
2. Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness,
3. Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

1. As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be,
2. To thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love,
3. Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed,

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

The celebrant and people say,

**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 - *Gloria in excelsis*

Hymnal S280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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Liturgy of the Word

The Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 89:1-4,15-18

BCP 713

Misericordias Domini (In unison)

Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing;
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever;
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.
"I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
'I will establish your line for ever,
and preserve your throne for all generations.'"
Happy are the people who know the festal shout!
they walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.
They rejoice daily in your Name;
they are jubilant in your righteousness.
For you are the glory of their strength,
and by your favor our might is exalted.
Truly, the Lord is our ruler;
the Holy One of Israel is our King.

The Epistle: Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

**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.***

After each paragraph of this prayer, the People may make an appropriate response, as directed.

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Leader: For all people in their daily life and work;

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

Leader: We pray for **Donald Trump our President, Wes Moore our Governor, Robert Cassilly, our County Executive.** For this community, the nation, and the world.

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

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

Leader: We pray especially for those named on the prayer list and the residents of the Harford Family House. For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

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

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

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

Leader: For +Sean Rowe our Presiding Bishop; +Carrie Schofield-Broadbent our Bishop; Kirk Kubicek+, our Priest-in-charge; for those in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer *especially St. Mark's, Deale; St. Martins in-the-Field, Severna Park; and St. Paul's, Prince Frederick.* We pray for all laypersons, bishops, priests, and deacons.

ALL: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

ALL: For your mercy is great.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. Bless those who are celebrating their birthdays this week, *especially Jean Baumbach, Leslie Amtmann, and Phil Klein Sr.* and those who are celebrating their anniversaries, *especially Angela & Christopher Hoover and Rose & Jeff Eaton* this week.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

ALL: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader: 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

Leader: Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;

ALL: Who put their trust in you.

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God, our neighbor, and ourselves.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**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.**

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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 *All stand*

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

People: **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn – One bread, one body (by John Michael Talbot)

REFRAIN

One bread, one body,
one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many,
throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew,
servant or free,
woman or man, no more. (Refrain)

Many the gifts,
many the works,
one in the Lord of all. (Refrain)

Grain for the fields,
scattered and grown,
gathered to one, for all. (Refrain)

Eucharistic Prayer 1

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says:

The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds:

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

cont.

Sanctus

Hymnal S125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

cont.

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [_____ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Alleluia! We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread. Alleluia!**

(The Eucharistic Ministers receive communion)

Celebrant: The gifts of God for all people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for the life of the world, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

To receive holy Communion, you may stand or kneel at the Rail, and receive Bread and Wine, or just Bread as is your custom. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice by holding it by its base. We only receive from the Common Cup, no longer by Intinction (dipping the wafer).

If instead of communion you desire a Blessing, please fold your arms across your chest. Let the usher know if you would like to receive communion in the pew. Gluten free wafers are available at communion.

Post Communion Prayer

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world

and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen

Blessing

Closing Hymn - Lord I lift your name on high (by Rick Founds)

Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us

REFRAIN

You came from Heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

Sometimes failure grips my life
And I need a new direction
Then I find the love of God
And the power Resurrection (Refrain)

Lord I lift your name on high
Lord I lift your name on high

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God!

*The altar flowers are given today
in memory of my mother, Rita Ryan*



By Kate Davis

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*May God Bless You
this day and throughout the week ahead!*

SONG PAGE

Come Into the Quiet

Diane Davis Andrew

Come into the quiet
Be one with God's breath
Rest in this waiting place
Peace will be there
Truth
Love
Healing
Rest, rest,
Peace will be there
Truth
Love
Healing

Better Times Will Come

Words & music by Janis Ian

CHORUS

Better times, better times will come.
Better times, better times will come.
When this world learns to live as one,
Oh, better times will come

When we greet each dawn without fear
knowing loved ones soon will be near
When the winds of war
cannot blow any more
Oh, better times will come

CHORUS

Though we live each day as our last
we know someday soon it will pass
We will dance, we will sing
in that never-ending spring
Oh, better times will come

Better times, better times will come.
Better times, better times will come.
When this world learns to live as one,
Oh, better times will come
Oh, better times will come
Oh, better times will come

We Come From Love

K. Kubicek, Sounds Divine Music

We come from Love
We return to Love
And Love is all around
Love is all around

All of life is a homecoming
Homecoming, homecoming
All of life is a homecoming
A coming home to God

Here Am I, Oh Lord Send Me

Mississippi John Hurt

Here Am I, Oh Lord Send Me
Here am I Oh Lord send me
Here am I Oh Lord send me
Here am I Oh Lord send me

Can't you hear my savior calling
Who will go and work today
The fields are ripe and the harvest's waiting
Who will bear the sheaves away

Here am I Oh Lord send me
Here am I Oh Lord send me
Here am I Oh Lord send me
Here am I Oh Lord send me

If you can-not sing like Angels
If you can-not preach like Paul
You can tell everyone of the love of Jesus
You can say that he died for us all.

Here am I Oh Lord send me
Here am I Oh Lord send me
Here am I Oh Lord send me
Here am I Oh Lord send me

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CHRIST CHURCH PRAYER LIST: If there is a name that you would like added to the list for prayerful support, please contact the parish office, or feel free to drop a note onto the collection plate on Sundays. Names will remain on the Prayer List in our weekly bulletin and monthly Chimes for 4 weeks unless other arrangements are requested.

LET US PRAY: For those who are sick, in any kind of need or difficulty, especially: For the residents of Harford Family House; For refugees worldwide desperately seeking safety; For those who suffer because of any humanitarian crises, especially those created by war and the escalating climate crisis; For all the people in the world, that they can experience peace and stability in their lands; For the victims of natural disasters, especially those affected by the recent floods and wildfires; For the communities that have experienced mass shootings.

FOR THOSE ON OUR PRAYER LIST: Sue Sampson, Linda Michel, Lyn Edmunds, Ken, Bill Mundy, Alice Richardson, Chris Martin, Jonathan Miller, Will, Tracey Kahl, Lynn Klein, Rebecca Bauerschmidt, David Martell, Karen Myers, and Hazel Borkowski.

FOR THESE PARISHIONERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO BE WITH US EVERY SUNDAY: Betty Paker; Lynn Klein; Hazel Borkowski; Betsy Crowl.

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