# Fourth Sunday after PENTECOST



June 16, 2024 Holy Eucharist Proper 6



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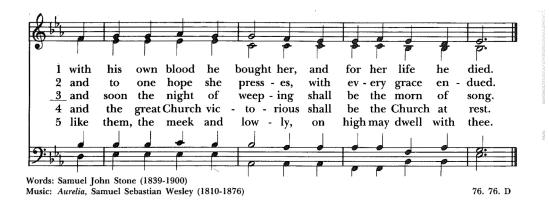
#### **Prelude** Andante Tranquillo7

Felix Mendelssohn

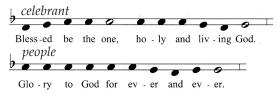
• *at the sound of the bells, all stand* 

#### **Hymn 525** *The Church's one foundation*





#### **Opening Acclamation**

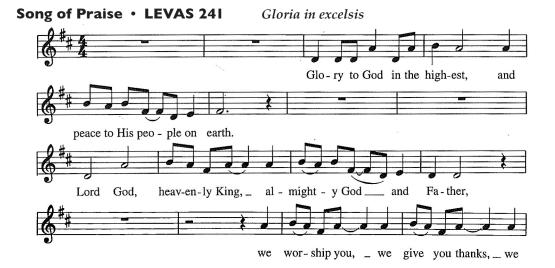


#### **Collect for Purity**

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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#### **Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

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God be with you.	And also with you.	Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

A - men.

• all be seated

#### First Reading Ezekiel 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.** 

It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, \* and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;

To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning \* and of your faithfulness in the night season;

On the psaltery, and on the lyre, \* and to the melody of the harp.

For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord; \* and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, \* and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.

Those who are planted in the house of the Lord \* shall flourish in the courts of our God;

They shall still bear fruit in old age; \* they shall be green and succulent;

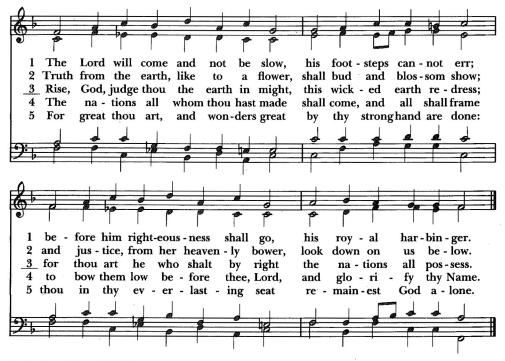
That they may show how upright the Lord is, \* **my Rock, in whom there is no fault.** 

#### Second Reading 2 Corinthians 5:6-17

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.] For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new

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Words: John Milton (1608-1674), alt.

Music: York, melody from The CL Psalmes of David, 1615; adapt. The Whole Booke of Psalmes, 1621; harm. John Milton, Sr. (1563?-1647)

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#### Gospel Mark 4:26-34

The Holy Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, according to Mark. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**  mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

#### **Sermon** The Very Reverend Matthew Bradley

#### Nicene Creed • BCP 358 • all stand

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

#### Prayers of the People • Form VI • BCP 392

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

• silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

For 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 Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Terry our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

#### For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation and for those on the Cathedral prayer list, Jim & Dean, TJ, Betty Banton, Kitten Lawless, Robert Huffman, Nancy Otto, Donna Pottinger, Mitzi Schatz, Joy Stultz

• 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 especially for those celebrating birthdays, Randall Wells, Jerry Brown, and Ruth Wukasch, and anniversaries, Nicole Swann & Mark Adams and Gary & Theresa Pope.

- silence
- the people may add their own petitions

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 may be kept

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.

#### **Absolution** • *declared by the celebrant*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

**The Peace** • all greet one another in the name of the Lord The peace of Christ be always with you. And also with you.

#### Dean's Welcome

## Liturgy of the Altar

#### **Offertory Anthem** Just a closer walk with thee

arr. Richard Walters

I am weak but Thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong; I'll be satisfied as long As I walk, dear Lord, close to Thee.

#### refrain:

Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it, Jesus, is my plea, Daily walking close to Thee, Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Through this world of toil and snares, If I falter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.

refrain

### The Great Thanksgiving



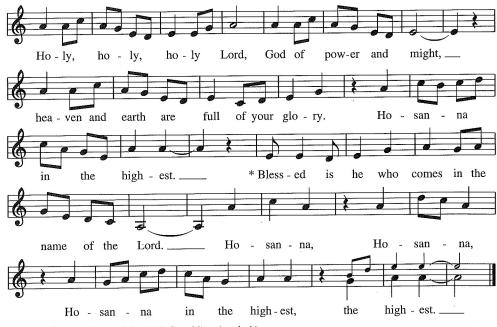
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Eucharistic Prayer I • Enriching Our Worship



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 sing:



#### Sanctus WLP 850

Setting: Jonathan Dimmock (b. 1957), from Missa Appalachia © 1996 Jonathan Dimmock

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."

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:

#### Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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 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.

## The Great Amen A - men.

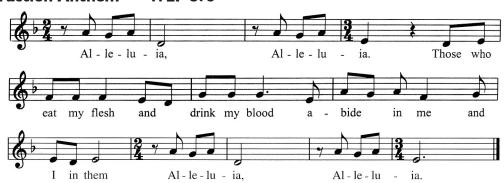
#### **The Lord's Prayer** • BCP 364 • contemporary version

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen



#### Fraction Anthem • WLP 873

#### **Invitation to Communion**

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.

- any baptized person from any Christian tradition who wishes to encounter the Real Presence of the Risen Christ in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood is welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you wish to learn more about the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, please speak with a priest or deacon following the liturgy.
- gluten free wafers are available; as you prepare to receive bread indicate your preference to the priest
- *if you would like to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest*

#### An Act of Spiritual Communion • for those attending virtually

Jesus, my Savior, I ask you to come into my heart and fill me with your love. Although I cannot physically join with others to celebrate the Eucharist today, I desire to offer my thanksgivings and prayers in union with all who worship you, wherever they may be. And although I cannot receive you now sacramentally in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, still I desire to receive your body and blood spiritually and feed on your love, that I may be united with you and with all your people in one communion and fellowship, your mystical body the church, now and ever more. Amen.

**Communion Hymn 209** We walk by faith, and not by sight



Words: Henry Alford (1810-1871), alt. Music: St. Botolph, Gordon Slater (1896-1979)

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• all stand; said by all

#### **Prayer after Communion**

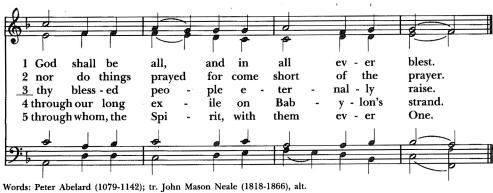
Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### **Blessing**

0 what their joy and their be, glo must 1 ry shore, 2 Tru ly, "Je ru sa - lem" name we that bring, 3 There, where no. trou - bles dis trac - tion can hearts raised on high, 4 Now, in the mean - while, with 5 Low be - fore him with our prais es we fall, ones see; those end-less Sab baths the bless ed 1 that brings ev - er more; 2 ci ty of peace joy thems of Zi on shall sing; 3 we the sweet an try must and must sigh, 4 we for that coun yearn all; 5 of whom, and in whom, and through whom are for rest: 1 crown the val iant, to wea ry ones there, fill ered 2 wish and ful ment are not sev praise voic of 3 while for thy Lord, their es grace, sa - lem, dear na - tive land, seek - ing Ĩе 4 ru Son; in whom, the 5 of whom, the Fa ther; and ø 0

Concluding Hymn 623

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Music: O quanta qualia, melody from Antiphoner, 1681; harm. John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

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#### Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

**Postlude** Allegro maestoso e vivace

Felix Mendelssohn

TheVery Rev. Matthew Bradley, celebrant The Rev. Dr. Eva Markham, deacon Dr. Mark Kano, choir director Denise Whittington, organist Liam O'Daniel-Munger, soloist Mike Wright, Carolyn Van Zant, lectors Jerry Brown, intercessor John Werst, Mike Wright, Jan Margerum, Page Curry, chalice bearers Kim McDaniel, Louise Isaacs, acolytes Bill Shelton, altar guild Carol Brown, Becky Collings, Graham Whatley, greeters/ushers Bobbie Fritton, bell ringer Tim Tice, live stream

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Christ Church Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky gathers and stands on land which has been home, for over 11,000 years, to primarily Shawnee, Cherokee, Osage, Haudenosaunee Seneca, Hopewell and Adena peoples. Today we acknowledge the role our Church has played in colonialism's devasting legacy of death, stolen lands, dehumanizing removals, and forced assimilation of native people. We repent of our complicity in perpetuating the dominance of white European culture, even to the present day. We seek forgiveness. We honor the original peoples of this land and the presence of native people still living in Kentucky. We honor with respect their Elders, past, present, and future, their traditions, and the land itself. We commit to listen, learn, and walk in love.



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