

Where you go I will go,  
and where you stay I will stay.  
Your people will be my people  
and your God my God.  
(Ruth 1:16)

June 7, 2026  
*Holy Communion for the Third  
Sunday After Pentecost*

*(†) The congregation is invited to stand or (Sit with Gusto)*  
***(BOLD-FACED TYPE) Congregation responds***

## THE CHURCH GATHERS

*Silent Prayer and Time for Centering*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE                      Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land                      Mark S. Arnold

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\*CALL TO WORSHIP                      \*\*\*

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness.

**We come to be filled.**

Blessed are the pure in heart.

**We long to see God.**

Blessed are you. Rejoice and be glad,  
for great is your reward in heaven.

**O God of mystery,**

**we open our hearts to your presence and your grace.**

**Bless us and all your creatures,**

**that in our worship we glorify you**

**and become your light for the world. Amen.**

**† HYMN OF PRAISE**

# How Can We Name a Love

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1. How can we name a Love that wak-ens heart and mind,  
 2. If we a - woke to life built on a rock of care  
 3. When peo - ple share a task, and strength and skills u - nite  
 4. So in a hun - dred names, each day we all can meet

in - dwell - ing all we know or think or do or seek or find?  
 that asked no great re - ward but firm, as - sured, was sim - ply there,  
 in pro - jects old or new, to make or do with shared de - light,  
 a pres - ence, sensed and shown at work, at home, or in the street.

With - in our dai - ly world, in ev - ery hu - man face,  
 we can, with par - ents' names, des - cribe, and thus a - dore,  
 our Friend and Part - ner's will is bet - ter un - der - stood,  
 Yet ev - ery name we see, shines in a bright - er sun:

Love's ech - oes sound and God is found, hid in the com - mon - place.  
 Love un - con - fined, a fa - ther kind, a moth - er strong and sure.  
 that all should share, cre - ate, and care, and know that life is good.  
 In Christ a - lone is Love full grown and life and hope be - gun.

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## **† PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of love, we confess we are broken,  
and for that we mourn.**

**We are in need of grace.**

**We are brokenhearted,  
hungering and thirsting for righteousness.**

**We have not always been merciful,  
but we ask your mercy.**

**We are not whole by ourselves,  
but only in you.**

**Receive us with grace,  
heal our wounds  
and forgive the sin that rises out of them.**

**In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

## **† WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

In Christ, God raises us from sin and death into new life.

Through the Holy Spirit, God renews us,  
strengthens us, and makes us holy.

By God's grace, we are forgiven, transformed, and blessed.

**Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

## **PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

### **THE CHURCH HEARS THE WORD OF GOD**

**Old Testament Lesson:**

**[Ruth 1:1-22](#)**

**(Pg. 210 )\*\***

## **Christ Beside Me**

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,  
Christ be behind me, The King of my heart;  
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,  
Christ be above me He will never depart.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,  
Christ all around me— Shield in the strife;  
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,  
Christ in my rising, Light of my life.

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,  
Christ be behind me, The King of my heart;  
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,  
Christ be above me— He will never depart.

Amen!

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## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## † HYMN OF PREPARATION

# Come, Ye Disconsolate

1. Come, ye dis - con - so - late, wher - e'er ye lan - guish—  
 2. Joy of the des - o - late, light of the stray - ing,  
 3. Here see the Bread of Life, see wa - ters flow - ing

Come to the mer - cy - seat, fer - vent - ly kneel;  
 Hope of the pen - i - tent, fade - less and pure!  
 Forth from the throne of God, pure from a - bove;

Here bring your wound - ed hearts, here tell your an - guish:  
 Here speaks the Com - fort - er, ten - der - ly say - ing,  
 Come to the feast of love— come ev - er know - ing

Earth has no sor - row that heav'n can - not heal.  
 "Earth has no sor - row that heav'n can - not cure."  
 Earth has no sor - row but heav'n can re - move.

Text: Sts. 1, 2, Thomas Moore, 1779–1852; st. 3, Thomas Hastings, 1784–1872  
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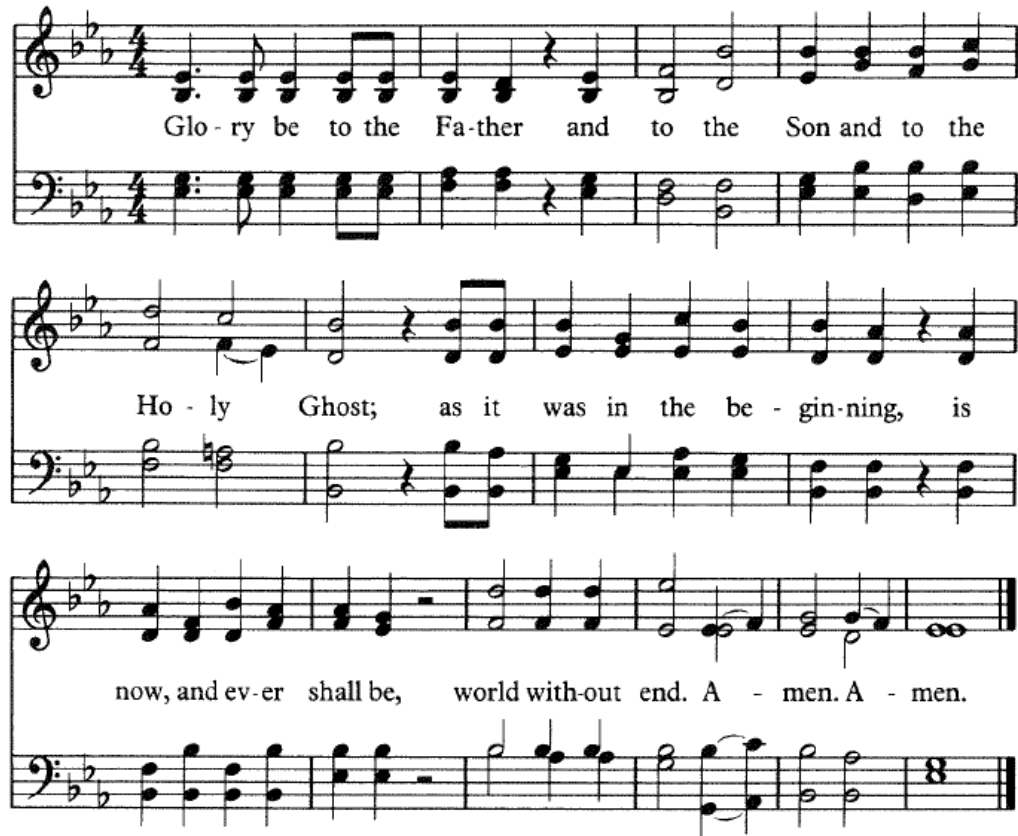
**Matthew 5:3-10**

**(Pg. 785) \*\***

PRESIDER: For the word of God in Scripture,  
For the word of God among us,  
For the word of God within us,

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

## † GLORIA PATRI



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the  
Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is  
now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A - men. A - men.

WORDS: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.  
MUSIC: Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

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SERMON: Ho-Soon Han

*“A LOVE STORY -1  
When the World Becomes Empty”*

**THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE WORD OF GOD**

**When we are called to sing your praise  
with hearts so filled with pain  
that we would rather sit and weep  
or stand up to complain,  
remind us God You understand  
the burdens that we bear;  
You too have walked the shadowed way  
and known our deep despair.**

**When we are called to sing Your praise  
and cannot find our voice,  
because our losses leave us now  
no reason to rejoice,  
remind us God that you accept  
our sad laments in prayer;  
You too have walked the shadowed  
way and known our deep despair.**

**When we are called to sing Your praise  
and life ahead looks grim,  
still give us faith and hope enough  
to break forth in a hymn,  
a thankful hymn great God of Love,  
that You are everywhere;  
You walk the shadowed way with us  
and keep us in Your care.**

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Sharing of Joys and Concerns*

## PRAYER SONG

### Confitemini Domino / Come and Fill

Ostinato Refrain



Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no quo - ni - am bo - nus.  
*Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho - ly.*



Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no, al - le - lu - ia!  
*Come and fill our hearts with your peace, al - le - lu - ia!*

Text: Psalms 106 and 118; Taizé Community  
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994  
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## SILENT PRAYER

## PASTORAL PRAYER

## PRAYER SONG *(see above)*

### [Presentation of Tithes and Offerings](#)

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## OFFERTORY MUSIC

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THE GLORY OF THE TRIUNE GOD

## 94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Unison*



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;



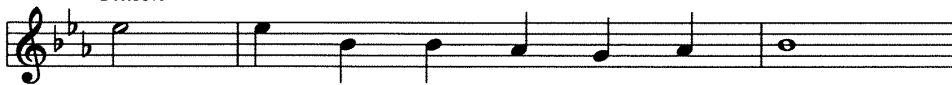
praise God, all creatures here below:

*Harmony*

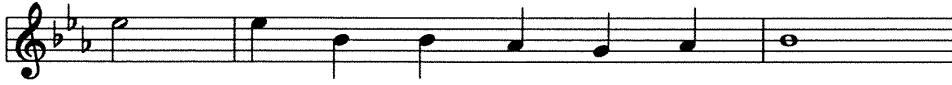


Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Unison*



Praise God, the source of all our gifts!



Praise Je - sus Christ, whose power up - lifts!

*Refrain (Harmony)*



Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Unison*



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Offertory Prayer:

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING \*\*\*

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Realm of God.

**We are poor beggars, O God. Feed us with your grace.**

Blessed are the broken hearted, for God holds them close.

**In this broken bread, hold us and comfort us.**

Blessed are the gentle, for you give them all of Life.

**Nourish us with Christ's tender love,  
that we, too may be gentle.**

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for deeper love.

**Satisfy us with your love;  
and deepen our hunger and thirst for you.**

Blessed are they who are merciful,  
knowing you shower them with mercy.

**We give thanks for your mercy,  
that we too may live lives of mercy.**

Blessed are those who are pure in love, for they shall see God.

**In this meal fill us with the love of Christ for all the world.**

Blessed are those who bring reconciliation,  
for they are God's beloved children.

**In this meal we are one, all of us saints and sinners,  
at peace with you and with one another.**

Blessed are those whom the world scorns, for God is present with them.

**Sharing this meal, we are one with the outcast of this world,  
as Jesus was an outcast.**

## **THE BLESSING AND COVENANT**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on these gifts of bread and cup,  
that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ.

**Pour out your Holy Spirit on us,  
that we may be the Body of Christ for the world.**

**Strengthen us with courage to bear witness,  
to love and to work for justice,  
to devote our lives to nonviolence  
and the mending of the world,  
despite the world's resistance,  
to be your saints in the name of Christ.**

**Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

(UMH p. 895)

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

Prayer Following Communion:

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery  
in which you have given yourself to us.**

**Grant that we may go into the world  
in the strength of your Spirit,  
to give ourselves for others,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

**THE CHURCH IS SENT TO SERVE**

## **† HYMN OF DEDICATION**

# I Come with Joy / Con Gozo Vengo



1. I come with joy, a child of God, For -  
 2. I come with Chris - tians far and near To  
 3. As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, Each

*1. Con go - zo ven - go, hi - jo/a soy De*  
*2. De cer - ca y le - jos vie - nen hoy Cris -*  
*3. Y cuan - do Cris - to par - te el pan No e -*



giv - en, loved, and free, The life of Je - sus  
 find, as all are fed, The new com - mu - ni -  
 proud di - vi - sion ends. The love that made us,  
*Dios, que me sal - vó, Ya Cris - to quie - ro a -*  
*tia - nos a en - con - trar Fa - mi - lia nue - va,*  
*xis - te e - ne - mis - tad, Pues el A - mor que*



to re - call, In love laid down for  
 ty of love In Christ's com - mun - ion  
 makes us one, And stran - gers now are  
*gra - de - cer Lo mu - cho que me a -*  
*el a - mor, Yu - nión al co - mul -*  
*nos cre - ó Nos u - ne en her - man -*



me, In love laid down for me.  
 bread, In Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
 friends, And stran - gers now are friends.  
*mó, Lo mu - cho que me a - mó.*  
*gar, Yu - nión al co - mul - gar.*  
*dad, Nos u - ne en her - man - dad.*

4. The Spirit of the risen Christ,  
 Unseen, but ever near,  
 Is in such friendship better known,  
 Alive among us here,  
 Alive among us here.

*4. Oculto y siempre cerca está*  
*Tu Espíritu, Señor,*  
*Reconocido en la amistad*  
*Y vivo en nuestro ardor,*  
*Y vivo en nuestro ardor.*

5. Together met, together bound  
 By all that God has done,  
 We'll go with joy, to give the world  
 The love that makes us one,  
 The love that makes us one.

*5. Nos encontró y nos unió*  
*La obra del Señor.*  
*Al mundo vamos a extender*  
*El gozo de su amor,*  
*El gozo de su amor.*

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### Looking Ahead

Lectionary Readings for June 14, 2026

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

*Genesis 18:1-15; 21: 1-7 / Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19*

*Romans 5:1-8 / Matthew 9:-35-10:8*



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