



Sunday, July 5, 2026

## Welcome & Opening Declaration

**We have gathered in the name of Jesus Christ.**

**We have set aside this time to worship God together.**

**We have come to confess that Jesus is Lord.**

**We are here to tend to God's presence in and among us.**

**We praise and adore the living God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

**Amen**

## SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:17-26

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<sup>17</sup> He came down with them and stood on a level place with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon.<sup>18</sup> They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases, and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured.<sup>19</sup> And everyone in the crowd was trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

<sup>20</sup> Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.

<sup>21</sup> “Blessed are you who are hungry now,  
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.

<sup>22</sup> “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

<sup>24</sup> “But woe to you who are rich,  
for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup> “Woe to you who are full now,  
for you will be hungry.  
“Woe to you who are laughing now,  
for you will mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup> “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

## Revelation 22:1-5

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Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; <sup>4</sup> they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

### **Leader: The Word of the LORD**

All: Thanks be to God

## SING TOGETHER

### Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

# Blessing of the Children

## SCRIPTURE

### Psalm 1

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<sup>1</sup>Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked or take the path that sinners tread or sit in the seat of scoffers,

<sup>2</sup>but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

<sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

<sup>4</sup>The wicked are not so but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous,

<sup>6</sup>for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

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## HOMILY

## TIME OF RESPONSE

## APOSTLES' CREED

We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Officiant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

**Gracious God**, master gardener, who plants your beloved ones like trees beside the flowing water: root our hearts deep in your words, that we may turn from evil counsel and delight in your ways. Renew us in a season of quiet growth, that we may bear good fruit in due time, our leaves providing shade for others in seasons of drought. Grant us, we pray, the steadfastness of Psalm 1 and the abundance of your tree of life, until all that we do flourishes to your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is our vine and our healing. Amen. **Amen.**

**Gracious Son**, who called your body to be one as you and the Father are one: bind us together root to root, even in unseen ways beneath the soil of our lives, that we may be unshaken in the grove. Where we are weary, let another's strength hold us; where we are strong, let us give it away freely. Knit each Table Community together into a single deep root system, drawing from one well, sharing one source, that no storm may topple us and no drought divide us. Grow the body of Christ here in our city, the many faithful churches, into one of mutual love, sturdy and wide and reaching toward you together; who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. **Amen.**

**Gracious Spirit**, who breaks through death dealing systems of oppression: give us the quiet, relentless strength of the city tree, whose roots do not ask permission of the concrete but crack it open, inch by patient inch, reaching for water anyway. Where our faith has been paved over by dead custom, demand, and expectation, split it from beneath; where we have been buried, raise us to new life. Teach us that what appears to be stone is not the end of growth at all,

and that no grave, and no humanly settled thing can hold back what you desire to live. Bring us up through every crack toward resurrection light; through Jesus Christ, the firstfruit of the grave's undoing. **Amen.**

*Officiant:* Let us pray together as Jesus taught us:

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.  
Amen

## The Lord's Table

The Lord be with you.  
And also 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 thanks and praise.

All honor and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord: for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst. In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy. Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, the fount of all holiness. Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

In sharing this meal together, we share in the mystery of our faith...  
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.  
Therefore, let us keep the feast.

## SING TOGETHER

## BENEDICTION

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