



The Season After Pentecost  
**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**St. George's Church**  
Glenn Dale Parish •  
The Episcopal Diocese of Washington

**July 4, 2021**

*Welcome to St. George's! We are glad to see you this morning, whether in person or virtually. This service booklet has everything you need to participate in today's worship service, including scripture readings as well as prayers, music and directions. For those in the sanctuary today, follow the ushers when it comes to receiving Holy Communion and entering and leaving the worship space.*

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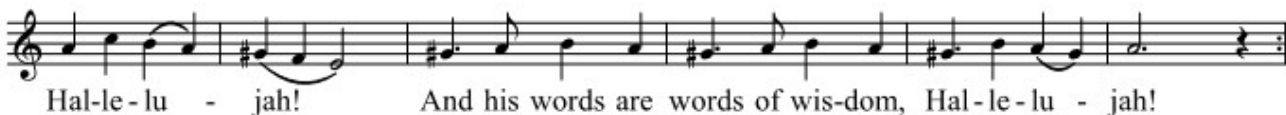
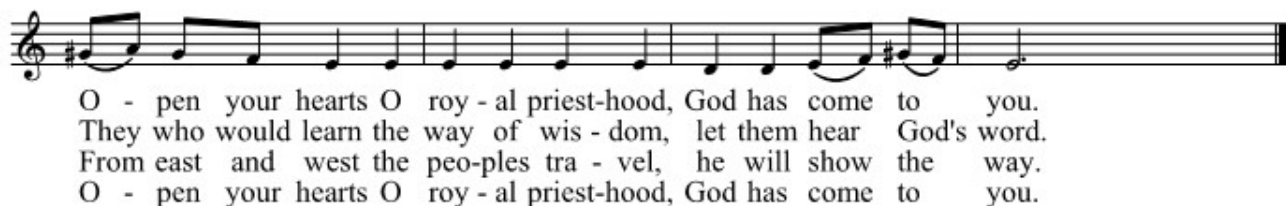
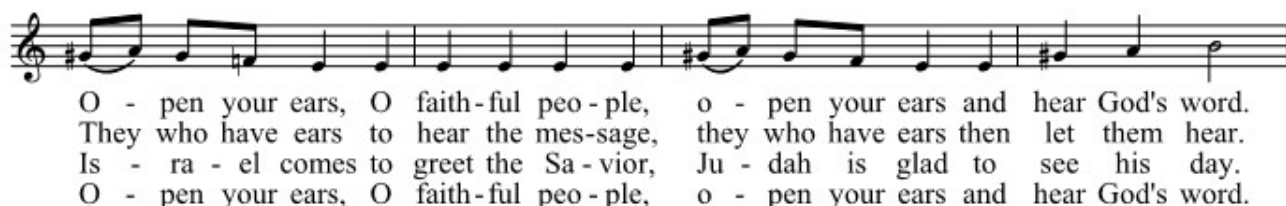
*We welcome Rev Sarah Motley as our celebrant and preacher today. She will be present with us each Sunday for the foreseeable future that Connie is on temporary leave.*

**Prelude: *Amber Waves* by Christopher Goldston (b. 1972)**

**Introit: *Lift Thine Eyes* from *Elijah* by Felix Mendelssohn**

**Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #536 *Open Your Ears, O Faithful People***

Words: Willard E. Jabusch. Music: *Torah Song*, Hasidic melody; arr. Richard Proulx. Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



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

**People:** Glory to God for ever and ever.

**All pray together:** 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: Wonder, Love, & Praise # 829 *Laudate Dominum***

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Musical score for the hymn "Laudate Dominum" (Gloria: Wonder, Love, & Praise # 829). The score is in 3/4 time, with a tempo marking of quarter note = 116. It features a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are: "Lau-da-te Do-mi-num, lau-da-te Do-mi-num om-nes gen-tes, al-le-lu-ia. al-le-lu-ia." The melody is in G major (one sharp). The score includes a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 3/4. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 116. The score is attributed to WLP829. The tune is identified as Jacques Berthier, b. 1923.

### **The Collect of the Day**

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Celebrant:** Let us pray together the Collect of the Day: **O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Celebrant** Let us pray together the Collect for Independence Day: **Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **2 Corinthians 12:2-10**

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient

for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong. The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God**

### **Psalm 123**

To you I lift up my eyes: **to you that are enthroned in the heavens.**

As the eyes of servants are on the hand of their masters:

**and the eyes of a maid on the hand of her mistress.**

so our eyes are on you O Lord our God: **as we wait till you show us your favour.**

Have mercy on us O Lord, have mercy: **for we have had more than enough of contempt.**

Too long have we suffered the scorn of the wealthy: **and the contempt of the arrogant.**

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

### **Mark 6:1-13**

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

**The Rev. Sarah Motley**



# I believe in God almighty

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993)  
Music: *Arfon* (Major), Welsh hymn melody,  
harm. Carlton R. Young, alt.

*♩ = 44*

1. I be - lieve in that God al - might - y,  
2. I be - lieve in that Je - sus suf - fered,  
3. I be - lieve in God's own Spir - it,

3  
Au - thor of all things that be,  
scourged and scorned all and the cru - ci - fied;  
bond - ing all the saints with - in

5  
Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the  
tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied — True Life there had  
one church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly, where for - give - ness

8  
sky and sea. I be - lieve in God's Son, Je - sus,  
tru - ly died. I be - lieve that on the third day  
frees from sin; in the bod - y's res - ur - rec - tion,

11  
now for us both Lord and Christ of the Spir - it  
Christ was raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed  
for the break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's

14  
and of Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.  
to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.  
ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

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## The Prayers of the People

Generous God of abundance, you feed the hungry from your hand and visit us in our storms: Give ear to your people as we pray, saying: You are faithful in all your words O God: **and merciful in all your deeds.**

God of Light and Life, you gift us with the Holy Spirit and call us to be your church. Grace us the church with the ability to know and comprehend the breadth and height and depth of Jesus' love, and that your power at work within us may accomplish abundantly far more than we can ask or imagine. We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mariann our Bishop, Chilton our Assisting

Bishop, Connie our rector, Sarah and Thelma who are ministering to us during Connie's period of leave, and for the lay leadership and congregation of St. George's. For you are faithful in all your words O God: **and merciful in all your deeds.**

God of Light and Life, you give us responsibility to govern and lead. We pray that all in authority may use their power justly and share your abundance with all. For you are faithful in all your words O God: **and merciful in all your deeds.**

God of Light and Life, you open wide your hand and satisfy the needs of every living creature. We pray for all who are hungry, for those who are poor, for those caught in violence and war, and for those experiencing homelessness, and we pray especially for the families of Gaywood Elementary School and the guests of the Warm Nights program. In every place of hunger, through us may you bring food; in every place of poverty, through us may you bring abundance; in every place of terror, through us may you bring comfort and security. For you are faithful in all your words O God: **and merciful in all your deeds.**

God of Light and Life, you are a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Come to us in our darkness and comfort us in our fears. With your generous touch, heal those for whom we pray, especially for those suffering from the effects of Covid-19, for those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now in our hearts. For you are faithful in all your words O God: **and merciful in all your deeds.**

God of Light and Life, you bless us with joy and celebration. Accept our gratitude for the abundance of your grace, especially for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and for other blessings of this life. For you are faithful in all your words O God: **and merciful in all your deeds.**

God of Light and Life, you gather up the lives of your children, receiving into your fullness all who have died. We pray for those whom we love but see no longer, and we pray for those who mourn. Help us remember that you are faithful in all your words O God: **and merciful in all your deeds.**

Holy One, your people look to you for nurture and healing: Fill our hungry lives with the abundance of your Spirit, that we may be fruitful disciples of the one whose compassion reaches across all boundaries, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

### **The Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant:* Now let us confess our sins to God. *Silence is kept.*

*All pray together:* **God of new creation, we confess that we have failed to trust your bountiful goodness. We dishonor your generosity by withholding ourselves and our resources from those in need; we disregard your compassion by judging the sins of others. Forgive us, we pray. By the power of your Spirit, renew us and free us from our bondage, that with open hearts we may enjoy the fullness of your blessing on all creation. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins, the will for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## The Peace

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

**People:** And also with you.

*The people may share a socially distanced sign of God's peace with one another.*

## Announcements and Blessings for Birthdays & Anniversaries

*The celebrant then offers the following prayer for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries:*

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) and anyone celebrating their birthday or anniversary this week as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

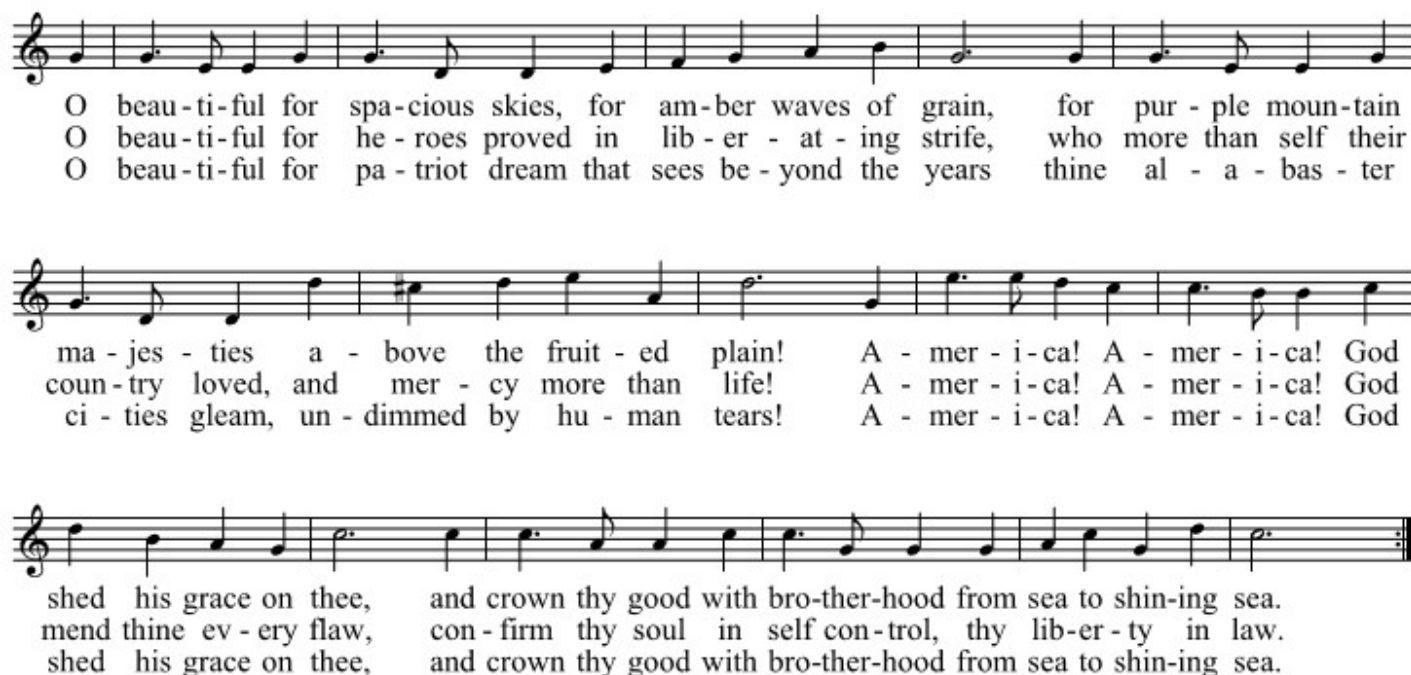
## The Offertory

Do good works and share what you have, for these are the sacrifices pleasing to God.

*Traditionally this would be the time for the basket to be passed to receive financial donations from those worshipping in person. For safety reasons, that practice has changed. We encourage you to give electronically wherever possible. You can use your phone to text stgeodragon to 72356. Or just use your web browser to go to [www.onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/Give](http://www.onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/Give). If your bank offers Zelle, you can use your banking app to send a donation via Zelle to [donations@stgeo.comcastbiz.net](mailto:donations@stgeo.comcastbiz.net). There are also baskets at the entrance and exit doors of the Sanctuary for donations of checks or cash. Many thanks for your financial support of St. George's.*

## Offertory Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #719 O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

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O beau-ti-ful for spa-cious skies, for am-ber waves of grain, for pur-ple moun-tain  
O beau-ti-ful for he-roes proved in lib-er-at-ing strife, who more than self their  
O beau-ti-ful for pa-triot dream that sees be-yond the years thine al-a-bas-ter

ma-jes-ties a-bove the fruit-ed plain! A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God  
coun-try loved, and mer-cy more than life! A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God  
ci-ties gleam, un-dimmed by hu-man tears! A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God

shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with bro-ther-hood from sea to shin-ing sea.  
mend thine ev-ery flaw, con-firm thy soul in self con-trol, thy lib-er-ty in law.  
shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with bro-ther-hood from sea to shin-ing sea.



## The Great Thanksgiving

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.  
**People:** **And also with you.**  
**Celebrant:** Lift up your hearts.  
**People:** **We lift them to the Lord.**  
**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People:** **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, for by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore, joining with saints and angels and all of creation, we praise you as we sing:

### Sanctus: Wonder, Love, & Praise # 785

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*Santo, Santo, Santo*      Words: Variation on a traditional liturgical text  
Music: Unknown composer

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zón te a - do ra! Mi  
In God's name is com-ing the One whom we call bles-sed. Ho-

cor - a - zón te sa - be de - cir: "San - to e - res Se - ñor."  
san - na in the high - - - est. Praise and thanks to God.

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#### *The celebrant continues*

Holy are you O God and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. At his baptism in the Jordan your Spirit descended upon him and declared him your beloved Son. The Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people.

**By the baptism of Jesus's suffering, death, and resurrection, you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, baptizing us with the Holy Spirit and with fire.**

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**On the day you raised him from the dead he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread, and in the power of your Holy Spirit your Church has continued in the sharing of the bread and cup around your table.**

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Holy One, pour out your Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be the body of Christ for the world, empowered by the gifts of the Spirit.

**By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, for all honor and glory is yours, God our Light and Life, now and forever. Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Celebrant:* And now in the Spirit of Christ, we pray:

**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 Breaking of the Bread**

*The bread is broken and silence is kept*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose again for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The Celebrant then says:*

Mindful that not all are present physically to receive the sacrament, we pray with those who receive spiritual Holy Communion this day:



Lord Jesus, in union with your faithful people, we offer to you our praise and thanks. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we pray that you come spiritually into our hearts. Strengthen us with your grace, O Lord, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

## The Communion


*If you would like to receive the Eucharist, you may choose to receive both the bread and wine or only one of them. If you receive the wine, please drop your cup into the recycling bin at the door after you consume it. Note that hand sanitizer is available as you exit. Please follow the arrows to go through the narthex (hallway) and back into the Sanctuary and on to your seat.*

*Wherever you are on your journey, whatever you believe or don't believe, know that you are welcome at this table. For this is Christ's table, and all are welcome.*




### Communion Hymn 1: LEVAS #181 *Amazing Grace!*

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A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me!  
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears re - lieved:  
The Lord has pro - mised good to me, His word my hope se - cures;  
Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - read - y come;  
When we've been there ten thou-sand years, Bright shin - ing as the sun,



I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.  
How pre - cious did that grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!  
He will my shield and por - tion be As long as life en - dures.  
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.  
We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

## Communion Hymn 2: Voices Found #146 *Nothing Distress You*

Words: Teresa of Avila (1515-1582); tr. Colin P. Thompson Music: *Many Mansions*, Peter Cutts © 1994 Hope Publishing Company.

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1.Nothing distress you, nothing af -  
 2.Lift your mind up - ward, fair are his  
 3.See the world's glo - ry! Fad - ing its  
 4.Love in due mea - sure mea - sure - less  
 5.Hell may as - sail you, it can - not  
 fright you ev - ery thing pas - ses, God will a -  
 man - sions, noth - ing dis - tress you, cast fear a -  
 splend - our, ev - ery - thing pas - ses all is de -  
 good - ness; pa - tient en - deav - our, run to love's  
 move you; sor - rows may grieve you, faith may be  
 bide. Pa - tient en - deav - our ac - com - plish - es  
 way. Fol - low Christ free - ly, his love will  
 nied. Look ev - er home - ward to the e -  
 call! Faith burn - ing bright - ly be your soul's  
 tried. Though you have noth - ing, he is your  
 all things; who God pos - ses - ses needs naught be - side.  
 light you, noth - ing af - fright you, in the dark way.  
 ter - nal; faith - ful in pro - mise God will a - bide.  
 shel - ter; who hopes, be - liev - ing, ac - com - plishes all.  
 trea - sure: who God pos - ses - ses needs naught be - side.

## Post-Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray:


**Holy and Gracious One, we give you thanks that through Word and Sacrament, Jesus has once again shared himself with us. As we leave this place, we pray that you send us out inspired by your Spirit to be Christ's love to others, that our daily living may show forth our gratitude and our lives become a praise to you, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. Amen.**

## The Blessing

God blesses us so that we may be a blessing for others, so as you go out into the world,  
 May the grace of God bless you with peace;  
 may the love of Christ sustain you with joy;  
 and may the power of the Holy Spirit fill you with courage, this day and forevermore. **Amen.**

## Dismissal Hymn: LEVAS #194 *Lead Me, Guide Me*

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Lead me, guide me, a - long the way, For if you lead me, I can-not  
stray. Lord, let me walk each day with Thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.  
I am weak and I need thy strength and power to help me o ver my weak-est hour;  
Help me tread in the paths of right - eous-ness, be my aid when satan and sin op-press;  
I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am blind with-out thy light to see,  
Help me through the dark ness thy face to see, Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.  
I am put - ting all my trust in thee. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.  
Lord, just al - ways let me thy ser-vant be. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

## The Dismissal

**Celebrant:** Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** **Thanks be to God!**

## Postlude: *Variations on America* by Thomas Keesecker (b. 1956)



# Happy Independence Day!



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