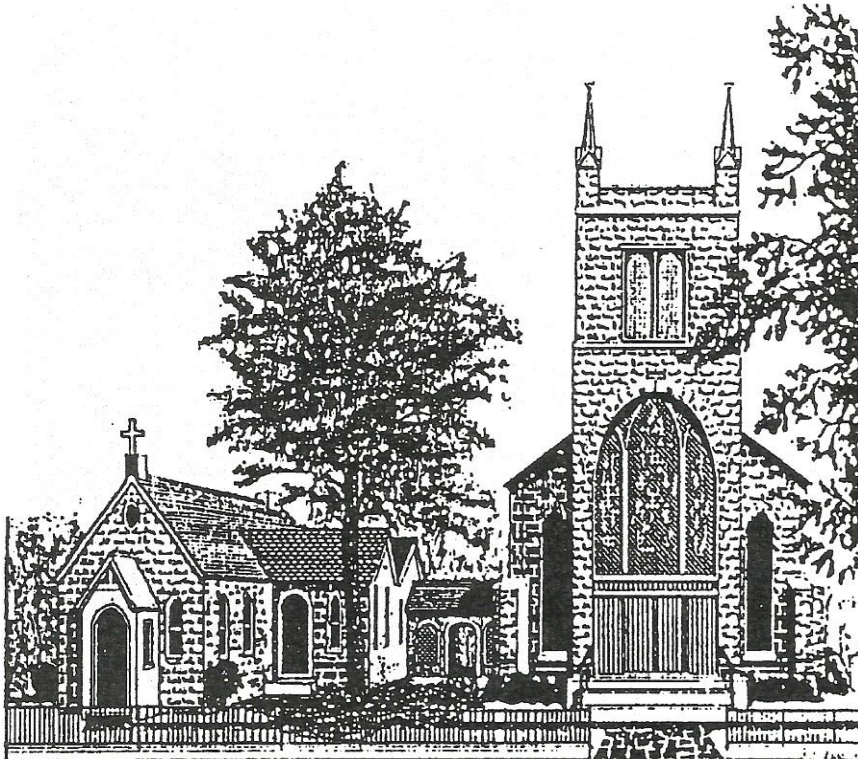


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The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 16, 2023
Holy Eucharist-Rite II
10:30 a.m.

Please make sure all phones and other electronic devices are turned off prior to the service.

Hymns and service music can be found in the following resources:

S - in the front of the Hymnal

H - in the Hymnal

W - in Wonder, Love, & Praise (on the end of each row)

L - in Lift Every Voice (on the end of each row)



We have returned to the use of the common cup during communion with both Christ's Body & Blood. You may choose to sip from the cup or intinct (dip) the host. Following the teaching of our Episcopal tradition, all persons may, but no person must, receive communion in both kinds to receive the full spiritual benefits of communion. You may choose to receive only the host at this time.

We welcome The Rev. Canon Joanne Izzo to St. John's today. Canon Izzo joined the Diocese in May 2022 as Interim Canon to the Ordinary and Transitions Officer. She has a desire to support the formation and growth of disciples, and a commitment to be an active and supportive presence for clergy and congregations in transitions. Her approach to ministry is informed by a contemplative stance of listening, observing, being curious and asking questions.

THE WORD OF GOD

Organ Prelude *Chorale Prelude on "O Gott, du frommer Gott" Op. 122, No. 7*
[O God, Thou Faithful God] Johannes Brahms

Processional Hymn *Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word* H-440
LIEBSTER JESU

Opening Salutation BCP-355

The Collect for Purity BCP-355

Gloria in Excelsis Setting by Robert Powell S-280

The Collect of the Day

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Old Testament

Genesis 25:19-34

Lector: A reading from the book of Genesis

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren;

and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, “If it is to be this way, why do I live?” So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her,

“Two nations are in your womb,
and two peoples born of you shall be divided;
the one shall be stronger than the other,
the elder shall serve the younger.”

When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau’s heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, “Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!” (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, “First sell me your birthright.” Esau said, “I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?” Jacob said, “Swear to me first.” So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Spoken Responsively

105 Your word is a lantern to my feet *
and a light upon my path.

**106 I have sworn and am determined *
to keep your righteous judgments.**

107 I am deeply troubled; *
preserve my life, O LORD, according to your word.

**108 Accept, O LORD, the willing tribute of my lips, *
and teach me your judgments.**

109 My life is always in my hand, *
yet I do not forget your law.

**110 The wicked have set a trap for me, *
but I have not strayed from your commandments.**

111 Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; *
truly, they are the joy of my heart.

**112 I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes *
for ever and to the end.**

The New Testament

Romans 8:1-11

Reader: A Reading from the Epistle of Paul to the Romans

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own

Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn *Surely It Is God Who Saves Me*

H-679

THOMAS MERTON

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People: Glory to You Lord Christ

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it

yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to You Lord Christ

Sermon

The Rev. Canon Joanne Izzo

The Nicene Creed

BCP-358

Prayers of the People Form VI

BCP-392

The Peace

BCP-360

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Solo

One Bread, One Body

John Foley, SJ

Presentation:

H-380 (v. 3)

OLD 100th

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP-361

Sanctus (sung)

Setting by Robert Powell S-129

Acclamation

Setting by William Clisham



Christ has died; Christ is ris - en; Christ will come a - gain.

Amen

Setting by McNeil Robinson II S-146

The Lord's Prayer

BCP-364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP-364

Fraction Anthems

Christ Our Passover

David Hurd S-154

Agnus Dei

David Hurd S-161

All are Welcome to Receive Communion.

Communion Hymn

Taste and See

WLP-764

(The Cantor will sing the verses; the people are invited to sing the Refrain.)

Prayer for Receiving Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

BCP-366

Retiring Procession *Spirit of the Living God, Fall Fresh on Me*

(Sing 3 times)

LEV-115

IVERSON

The Dismissal

BCP-366

Organ Postlude *Organ Chorale on “O Gott, du frommer Gott”*

Johann Ludwig Krebs

The flowers on the altar today are presented by Chris Sorenson in memory of his beloved wife Dos.

Today is Sandwich Sunday. Sandwiches will be available during Fellowship Hour. Donations on Sandwich Sunday go towards projects of the ECW.

Parish Prayer List

Brenda	Frances	Suzanne	Judy	Bill	Amy
George	Janice	Evan	Sally	Carol	George
Rich	Elaine	Emma	Bill	Andrew &	Judy
Joel	Jim	Gail	Joseph	Karen	Eric
Joseph	Francine	Mother	Antoinette	Liz	
Robbie &	Stan	Joan	John	The Kamera	Family
Julie	Pat	Michele	Anna	Margaret	

Our military: Christine, Marlene, Joseph, Michael, Chris, David, Tyler, and Patrick

We appreciate the Participants in Today's Service:

Preaching & Presiding

The Rev. Canon Joanne Izzo

Assisting

The Rev. Sally Maurer, Deacon

Celebrants

The People of St. John's

Minister of Music

Bill Clisham

Cantor

Kelly Freno

Lector

Claire Walton

Acolytes

This Week's Parish Calendar

Sun. 7/16 The Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer I

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II The Rev. Canon Joanne Izzo
Presiding and Preaching

Fellowship Hour-Sandwich Sunday

Vestry Meeting

Mon. 7/17 1:00 pm - 3 :00 pm Salem County Office on Aging
Parish Hall

Tue. 7/18 8:00 a.m. Yoga
7:00 p.m. N.A.

Wed. 7/19 Noon Noonday Prayer
7:00 p.m. A.A.

Thu. 7/20 8:00 a.m. Yoga
1:00 pm - 3 :00 pm Salem County Office on Aging
Parish Hall

Sat. 7/22 8:00 a.m. Yoga

Sun. 7/23 The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

The Rev. Jim Robertson, Preaching and Presiding

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Fellowship Hour