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Independence Day
July 5, 2026
9:30 AM

The Rt. Rev'd James J Shand, DD, Assisting Bishop of Easton
The Rev'd Frank B Crumbaugh III, Priest-in-Charge
The Rev'd Terrance Lively, Curate
The Rev'd Melody Sutherland, Deacon
Dr. Gary Van Essen, Minister of Music
Ms. Alesia Grier, Family Ministry Coordinator
Mrs. Brenda Faulkner, Parish Administrator

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

The Word of God

Welcome

Prelude

“Trumpet Voluntary”
Warren Prender, trumpet

-Clarke/arr. Peberdy

+Processional Hymn

“The Star-Spangled Banner” -arr. Landers trans. Eskelsen
Warren Prender, trumpet & Erika Beyer, trombone

+Opening Sentences

Celebrant
People

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

+Collect for Purity (said by all)

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.

+Kyrie

Celebrant
People
Celebrant

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

+The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

The First Lesson

Deuteronomy 10:17-21

A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

The LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. You shall fear the LORD your God; him alone you shall worship; to him you shall hold fast, and by his name you shall swear. He is your praise; he is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things that your own eyes have seen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**

The Psalm

Psalm 145:1-9

Read responsively by verse

1 I will exalt you, O God my King, *
and bless your Name for ever and ever.

2 **Every day will I bless you ***
and praise your Name for ever and ever.

3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
there is no end to his greatness.

4 **One generation shall praise your works to another ***
and shall declare your power.

5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *
and all your marvelous works.

**6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, *
and I will tell of your greatness.**

7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; *
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

**8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.**

9 The LORD is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.

The Epistle

Hebrews 11:8-16

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Hebrews

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

+Sequence Hymn

Lord of all nations, grant me grace



1. Lord of all na - tions, grant me grace To love all
 2. Break down the wall that would di - vide Your chil - dren,
 3. For - give me, Lord, where I have erred By love - less
 4. Give me your cour - age, Lord, to speak When - ev - er
 5. With your own love may I be filled And by your



peo - ple, ev - 'ry race To see each mor - tal as I
 Lord, on ev - 'ry side. My neigh - bor's good let me pur -
 act and thought - less word. Make me to see the wrong I
 strong op - press the weak. Should I my - self as vic - tim
 Ho - ly Spir - it willed, That all whose lives are touched by



ought, My kin - dred, whom your love has bought.
 sue, Let Chris - tian love bind warm and true.
 do Will cru - ci - fy my Lord a - new.
 live, Re - mem - b'ring you, may I for - give.
 mine, May know your heal - ing touch di - vine.

+The Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:43-48

Please turn to face the Celebrant

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily

+The Nicene Creed

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

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 and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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

+The Prayers of the People Form Six

The Leader and People pray responsively

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 an end to violence in Ukraine, Syria and Lebanon, Israel and Palestine, Iran, Yemen and the Horn of Africa; for all refugees; for peace in 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 will be born today and all who will die today; for all who live out of doors by no choice of their own, for those who have little or nothing to eat and those who have no work; 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 *Sean* our Presiding Bishop, *Bud* our Bishop, *Frank* and *Terrance* our Priests, *Melody* our Deacon, our Church Wardens, *Lois* and *John*; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

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.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

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.

Leader and People

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.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

+The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

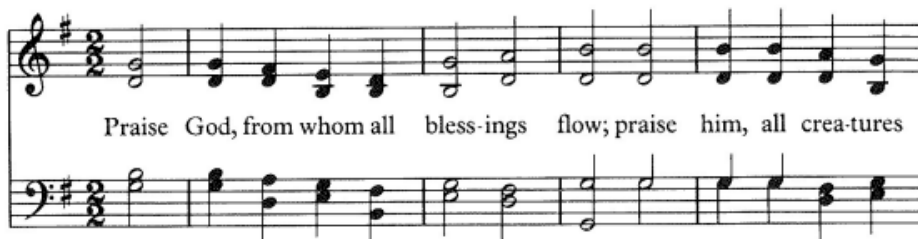
“Trumpet Tune”
Warren Prender, trumpet

-Purcell/arr. Perberdy

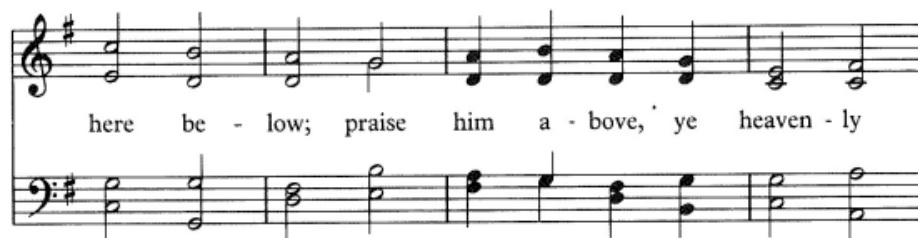
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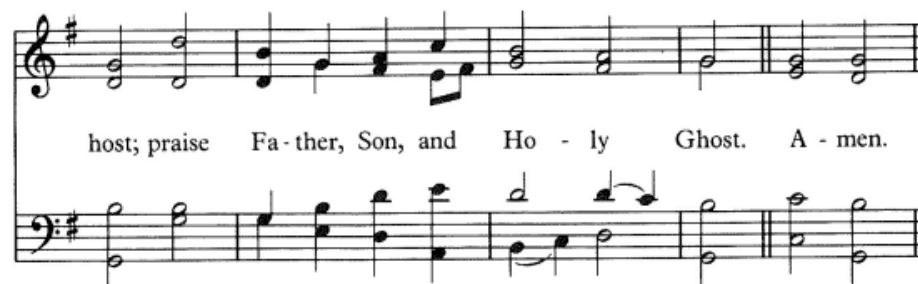
+Offertory Response



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures



here be - low; praise him a - bove, ' ye heaven - ly



host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

+The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are
 full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in__ the high - est. Bless-ed is__ the one who comes
 in the name of the Lord__ Ho-san-na in__the high - est__ Ho-san - na in__ the high-est.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he 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 shed for you and for many 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.**

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.
AMEN.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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.**

+Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Music

“Sacred Song”

-Portniansky

Oliver Bryant Keep & Warren Prender, trumpets

“My Country ‘tis of Thee”

-trad.

Jeff Pike & Warren Prender, trumpets

“America the Beautiful”

-Ward/arr. Lewis

“Amazing Grace”

-arr. Lewis

Warren Prender & Alec Sully, trumpets

+Post-Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

+Blessing

Birthdays & Anniversaries

+Dismissal

The Celebrant dismisses them with these words

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

+Recessional Hymn God of our fathers, whose almighty hand **Bulletin pg 14**

+Postlude “Battle Hymn of the Republic” -Steffe

Erika Beyer, trombone & Warren Prender, trumpet

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PRAYER FOCUS

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+Recessional Hymn God of our fathers, whose almighty hand

1 God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band
 past, in this free land by thee our lot is cast;
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;
 way, lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,
 be thou our ru - ler, guard - ian, guide, and stay
 thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease,
 fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.
 thy bount - eous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY!

Vacation Bible Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. for Pre-school – 5th Grade

SCHEDULED MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Book Study with Fr. Frank: Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Exercise Class: Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Soup & Salad Prep: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Contact Lindy to volunteer: soupgroupies@gmail.com

Soup/Salad Pick-up: Thursday 2:30 – 5:30 & Friday 11:00 - noon

AA: Wednesday & Friday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday 2:00 p.m.

AA Women's Book Study: Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Al-Anon: Friday at 7:30 p.m.



A sincere “Thank You” to everyone who sent cards of get-well wishes or gave thoughtful and encouraging words by phone or in person and also brought a treat of “yummy” kindness for Stan as he recovers from two strokes. He still has physical, speech, and occupational therapies scheduled into July. He is a determined person and is progressing very well. Queenstown Rehabilitation therapists are excellent at working him to his limit. He does get rest periods as they are very considerate there! I noticed last Sunday as he stood next to me in church, his singing was lower, yet still so great to hear! Thank You again to a wonderful church family for your support and Love. Blessings from The Link Family

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Nursery Care and Sunday School for children are available during the 9:30 a.m. service in the Wiggle Worship Room, through the open door on the left side of the worship area. There is an activity/coloring table for children next to the door leading to the Wiggle Worship Room.

Restrooms and water fountains are in the church narthex. Exit the church through the rear doors and turn right.

A hearing-assist system and large-print bulletins are available. Please see an usher to request either of these items.

Our 9:30 a.m. Eucharist Service is live streamed each Sunday. You can view the services on our website or our YouTube channel.

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship in the narthex after the service.

+ Please stand as able

Serving Today

Eucharistic Ministers: Liza Hamill, Leslie Schneider

Lectors: Jeff Pike, Betsy Sipes

Ushers: John Reckord, Jone Taylor

Acolytes: Jordan McIlwain, Lilly May, Emma May

Altar Guild: Lynne Shand, Betsy Sipes, Patti Snyder, Audrey Moore, Jennifer Leach

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