

Prayer: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

Blessing

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed+ bless, keep and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **Amen.**

Bell

Sending Hymn: Just a Closer Walk With Thee

I am weak but thou art strong: Jesus, keep me from all wrong; I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk, close to thee. REFRAIN.

Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares? I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. REFRAIN.

When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be not more; guide me gently, safely o'er to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore. REFRAIN.

REFRAIN: Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea; daily walking close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Dismissal: Go in peace. Share the harvest. **Thanks be to God**

Mark your calendars:

- Sunday, July 16 – 9am at Nora
- Sunday, July 23 - 9am at Kirkebo
- Sunday, July 30 – NO CHURCH

Perley Parish Sixth Sunday After Pentecost July 9, 2023

Prelude and Bell

Gathering Hymn: In the Morning When I Rise (Give Me Jesus)

In the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise, give me Jesus. REFRAIN.

Oh, when I come to die, oh, when I come to die, oh, when I come to die, give me Jesus. REFRAIN.

And when I want to sing, and when I want to sing, and when I want to sing, give me Jesus. REFRAIN.

REFRAIN: Give me Jesus, give me Jesus. You may all the rest, give me Jesus.

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, +one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

Righteous God, we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy. Amen.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Psalm 145:8-14 (Read responsively)

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. **The LORD is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.** All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your faithful shall bless you. **They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power,** to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendour of your kingdom. **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.** The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-12

Second Reading: Romans 7:15-25

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Glory to you O Lord

The Gospel of our Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ**

Message

Hymn of the Day: Softly & Tenderly Jesus is Calling

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me. See on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me. REFRAIN.

Oh for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me. REFRAIN.

REFRAIN: Come home, come home! You who are weary, come home. Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"

Offering Response: *We give thee but thine own, whatever the gift may be. All that we have is thine alone a trust, Oh Lord in thee.*

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy catholic Church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the people (Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.)

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

As brothers and sisters in Christ, let us say together the prayer that Jesus taught us: ***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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen***

Meal

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. Amen.

Words of Institution

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. **Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.** Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, **all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

