



CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN

9th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 26th, 2026

SERVANTS OF THE WEEK

	JULY 26	AUGUST 2
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Order of Worship	Daniel Groth	Daniel Groth
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A NOTE ABOUT LITURGICAL WORSHIP

Liturgy means the work of the people. Its purpose is to engage people in active participation in drawing near to God. An analogy that helps us understand why we follow a liturgical form of worship is that of a trail leading up to a mountain vista. We follow the trail not only to arrive at a particular destination, but we enjoy the journey en route! We enjoy the sounds of rushing streams and singing birds, the smell of the forest and fresh earth, the beauty of the sunlight and the changing scenery. In a similar way in our journey to the vista of the adoration of Jesus Christ, we pass through prayers that point and direct us to His character, the songs that enliven our heart with images of His glory, the Word of God that proclaims His truth, and the communion that draws us to His heart. Would you journey with us today through the landscape of the Lord's goodness?

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

July 26th, 2026

*Before service we will enter a time of reflective
quiet as we ready our hearts for the Lord.*

THE PROCESSIONAL

All stand.

“Immortal Invisible God Only Wise”

Immortal invisible God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes
Most blessed most glorious the Ancient of Days
Almighty victorious Thy great name we praise

Unresting unhasting and silent as light
Nor wanting nor wasting Thou rulest in might
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love

To all life thou givest to both great and small
In all life thou livest the true life of all
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree
And wither and perish but naught changeth thee

Great Father of glory pure Father of light
Thine angels adore thee all veiling their sight
All praise we would render o help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee

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THE ACCLAMATION

The People standing, the Celebrant says this or a seasonal greeting.

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant prays (and the People may be invited to join)

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.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

The Celebrant then reads the Summary of the Law.

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with
all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and
great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall
love your neighbor as yourself. On these two command-
ments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew 22:37-40

THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

The Deacon or other person appointed says the following

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence

The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Bishop or Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And with your spirit.

Officiant and people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE MUSIC

All stand.

“Ancient Gates”

There is singing at the ancient gates
There's a melody of ceaseless praise
Age to age the sound is only growing stronger
There's a throne beneath the Name of Names
There is seated on it One who reigns
And His Kingdom now is here and getting closer

Chorus 1

**Praise Him like we're there in glory
Here and now He's just as holy
Jesus He's so worthy of it all**

He exists in everlasting light
So on heaven's streets there is no night
Every tear is wiped away
We'll know no sorrow
Worship Him with joyful sound
Sing until your voice gives out
No matter where or who's around
Release your worship

Chorus 2

**Praise Him like we're there in glory
Here and now He's just as holy
Jesus He's so worthy of it all
Bring your song He loves to hear it
Bring Him every prayer-soaked lyric
Jesus He's so worthy of it all**

Bridge

The One who was, the One who is

The One who is to come

The One who was, the One who is

The One who is to come **[Repeat] [Chorus 2]**

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

The Celebrant prays the Collect.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

OLD TESTAMENT

A Reading from 1 Kings 3:3-14 (Page 282)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 119:121-136

- 121 I have done that which is lawful and right; *
O give me not over to my oppressors.
- 122 Be surety for your servant's good; *
O let not the arrogant oppress me.
- 123 My eyes have wasted away with looking for your
salvation, *
and for the word of your righteousness.
- 124 O deal with your servant according to your loving
mercy, *
and teach me your statutes.
- 125 I am your servant; O grant me understanding, *
that I may know your testimonies.
- 126 It is time for you, O Lord, to act, *
for they have broken your law.
- 127 For I love your commandments above all things, *
more than gold and precious stones.
- 128 Therefore I hold all your commandments to be right, *
and all false ways I utterly abhor.
- 129 Your testimonies are wonderful; *
therefore does my soul keep them.
- 130 When your word goes forth it gives light *
and understanding to the simple.
- 131 I opened my mouth, and drew in my breath, *
for my delight was in your commandments.
- 132 O look upon me, and be merciful unto me, *
as you always do for those who love your Name.
- 133 Order my steps according to your word, *
and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.

- 134 O deliver me from those who deal wrongfully, *
and so shall I keep your commandments.
- 135 Show the light of your countenance upon your servant*
and teach me your statutes.
- 136 My eyes gush out water *
because of those who do not keep your law.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT

A Reading from Romans 8:26-34 (Page 944)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

All stand.

“My Worth Is Not In What I Own”

My worth is not in what I own
Not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross

My worth is not in skill or name
In win or lose, in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross

Chorus

**I rejoice in my Redeemer
Greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul
I will trust in Him no other
My soul is satisfied in Him alone**

THE GOSPEL

All standing, the Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
St. Matthew 13:31-33, 44-50 *(Page 819)*

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN CONCLUDES

I will not boast in wealth or might
Or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross

Two wonders here that I confess
My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed, my ransom paid at the cross

Chorus

**I rejoice in my Redeemer
Greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul
I will trust in Him no other
My soul is satisfied in Him alone**

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THE SERMON – FR. BEN EDSTROM

THE NICENE CREED

The people stand

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People Standing

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

*Please add your vocal petitions at the free intercession **

The person appointed says

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

For Archbishop Stephen Wood and his wife Jacqueline, Bishop Phil and Julie, Suffragan Bishop Mark and Cindy, Deacon Nan and Charlie, Holy Trinity Anglican in Sandpoint with Fr. Ben and Lei, and for all the clergy, congregations and people of our diocese.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; for the Anglican Church of Chile, and for all who teach and disciple others.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service; especially Donald our president, Greg our governor, members of congress, and those who serve in the courts.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

Together

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a priest for this parish that we may receive a faithful pastor who will preach the Gospel, care for your people, equip us for ministry, and lead us forth in fulfillment of the Great Commission; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

**At this time additional prayers may be added, either silently or aloud.*

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant concludes with the following prayer

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The Celebrant may then say the following sentences, first saying

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Timothy 1:15

THE OFFERTORY

Offertory Sentence

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. *Matthew 6:19-21*

OFFERTORY SONG

All stand.

“Ascribe”

Ascribe unto the Lord the glory due His Name
Ascribe unto the Lord the honor and the praise

Pre-Chorus

For He is holy and He is worthy of
All of the glory and all of our love *[Verse]*

Chorus

Great and marvelous are Your works oh Lord
Just and true are all of Your ways in all the earth
Alpha, Omega, the Beginning and the End
Forever we'll praise the Name of the Lord most high

[Instrumental] [Chorus]

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THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow.

Praise Him all crea-tures here be-low.

Praise Him above, ye heavn'ly hosts,

Praise Father, Son and Ho-ly Ghost. Amen.

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE SURSUM CORDA (HEARTS LIFTED)

The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Proper Preface

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:



THE SANCTUS

“Sanctus”

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow'r and might.
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.
Bless - ed is He who comes
In the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna in the highest.

Tune: Land of Rest Arranged by: Marcia Pruner

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and here may break the bread; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.*

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." 🕯

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me." 🕯

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit 🕯 to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, † that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant then says

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Celebrant and People pray together

**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 FRACTION

The Breaking of the Bread

**Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People together may say

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

“Lamb of God”

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
Have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
Have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
Grant us peace.

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THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

All who are baptized and followers of the Lord Jesus are welcome at His table. Gluten free is available please ask. Healing teams are available to pray with you during Holy Eucharist, in the back of the church.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“All That I Am”

Ev'rything's on the altar now
No holding back no holding out
In view of Your matchless sacrifice
Take ev'ry treasure take this life

Chorus

**All that I am for all that You are,
My Lord**

**All that I have for all that You are
You're the pearl beyond price,
Greater than life**

All that I am for all that You are

Selfish ambition and my pride
I'm giving up I'm letting die
In these empty hands I have it all, have it all
The pure joy of knowing You my Lord ***[Chorus]***

Bridge

It's only in surrender that I'm free
It's only in surrender that I'm truly free
It's only in surrender that I'm free
(All I am is Yours my Lord)
It's only in surrender that I'm truly free
I am free I am free indeed
I am free I am free indeed ***[Verse 1] [Chorus]***

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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People together

Heavenly Father, 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.

MILESTONES & CLERGY BLESSING

THE BLESSING

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives this or an alternate blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE RECESSIONAL

All stand.

“O To Be Like Thee”

O to be like Thee! Blessed Redeemer,
This is my constant longing and prayer;
Gladly I'll forfeit all of earth's treasures,
Jesus, Thy perfect likeness to wear.

Refrain

**O to be like Thee! O to be like Thee,
Blessed Redeemer, pure as Thou art!
Come in Thy sweetness, come in Thy fullness;
Stamp Thine own image deep on my heart.**

O to be like Thee! Full of compassion,
Loving, forgiving, tender and kind,
Helping the helpless, cheering the fainting,
Seeking the wand'ring sinner to find.

O to be like Thee! Lord, I am coming,
Now to receive Thy wisdom divine;
All that I am and have I am bringing.
Lord, from this moment all shall be Thine.

Words by Thomas O. Chisholm (1866-1960) Tune: RONDINELLA by William J. Kirkpatrick (1838-1921)

THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

SOLOMON WRITING

Malnazar
(1637-1638)

King Solomon, the son of King David, ruled ancient Israel around 970–931 BCE and is widely recognized in tradition as the wisest man who ever lived.

The Writings: He is traditionally credited with authoring three canonical books of the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament: **Proverbs**, **Ecclesiastes**, and the **Song of Songs**. Modern scholars consider much of this "wisdom literature" to be an anthology compiled over centuries.

The Artwork: *Solomon Writing* (1637–1638) is also a famous historic painting created by the artists Malnazar and Aghap'ir.

King Solomon was the legendary third king of Israel, ruling for 40 years during the nation's golden age. Renowned for his unparalleled wisdom, immense wealth, and architectural marvels, he built the First Temple in Jerusalem before his political and religious compromises led to the kingdom's eventual fracture. **His Birth Names:** Solomon was born in Jerusalem to King David and Bathsheba. While known as Solomon, he was also given the name Jedidiah, meaning "beloved of the Lord".

1. **Name Meaning:** His Hebrew name, *Shlomo*, comes from the root word for peace, *shalom*.
2. **Ascension to the Throne:** According to historical and biblical accounts on Britannica, he inherited the throne around 970 BCE, likely taking power at the young age of 15.
3. **Gift of Wisdom:** When given a blank wish by God, Solomon requested wisdom to properly govern his people rather than riches or a long life, a choice that greatly pleased God.
4. **The Divided Baby:** His most famous demonstration of wisdom occurred early in his reign. When two mothers claimed a single living baby, Solomon proposed cutting the child in half. The true mother's willingness to give up the baby to spare its life revealed her identity.
5. **Builder of the First Temple:** His most iconic construction project was the First Temple in Jerusalem, a lavish sanctuary dedicated to Yahweh that served as the center of Israelite worship.
6. **The Queen of Sheba:** His fame spread so far that foreign leaders, most notably the wealthy Queen of Sheba, traveled long distances to test his intellect with riddles and marvel at his kingdom's splendor.