

Pentecost 7—July 7, 2024

Prelude

Susan Racloz, soloist

Announcements

The Scholarship Committee awards Scholarships to our members for their continuing education

Confession and Absolution

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- L Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
C Amen.
- L Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.
C Amen.
- L Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,
All: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- L In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God Forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Children's Sermon

Opening Hymn

Open Your Ears

ELW 519

Apostolic Greeting

- L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C And also with you.



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VERSE 1

C **Em** **F** **C**
Glory to God in the highest
Am **C** **G**
And peace to his people on earth
Am **Em** **F** **C**
Lord God, heavenly king
F **C** **G**
Almighty God and father
Am **Em** **F** **C**
We worship you, we give you thanks
F **C** **G**
We praise you for your glory

VERSE 2

C **Em** **F** **C**
Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the father
Am **C** **G**
Lord God, lamb of God
Am **Em** **F** **C**
You take away the sin of the world
F **C** **G**
Have mercy on us
Am **Em** **F** **C**
You are seated at the right hand of the father
F **G**
Receive our prayer

VERSE 3

C **Em** **F** **C**
For you alone are the holy one
Am **C**
You alone are the Lord
Am **G**
You alone are the most high
C **F** **C** **G** **F** **C**
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit
Am **Em** **F** **G**
In the glory of God the father
C
Amen

Prayer of the Day

L The Lord be with you

C **And also with you**

L Let us pray. God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen**

First Reading: Ezekiel 2: 1-5

¹ [A voice] said to me: O son of man, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.² And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me.³ He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day.⁴ The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God."⁵ Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them. Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. C **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 123 *spoken responsively*

¹ To you I lift up my eyes,
to you enthroned in the heavens.

² **As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show us your mercy.**

³ Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy,
for we have had more than enough of contempt,

⁴ **too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,
and of the derision of the proud.**

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

² 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.³ And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴ was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat.⁵ On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses.⁶ 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,⁷ 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.⁸ Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me,⁹ 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.¹⁰ 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. Holy Wisdom Holy Word C **Thanks be to God**

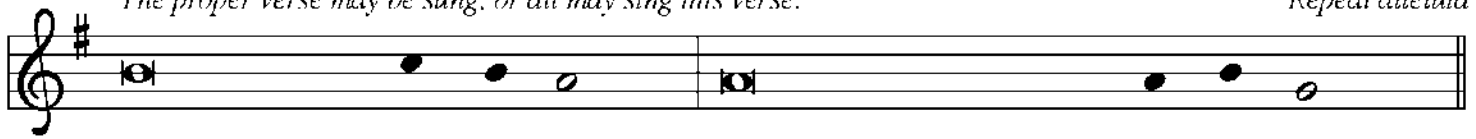
Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The proper verse may be sung, or all may sing this verse.

Repeat alleluia



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Holy Gospel according to Mark in the 6th Chapter. C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ [Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ² 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! ³ 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. ⁴ Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." ⁵ And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶ And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷ He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸ He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹ but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰ He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹ 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." ¹² So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³ They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Hear I am, Lord

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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.

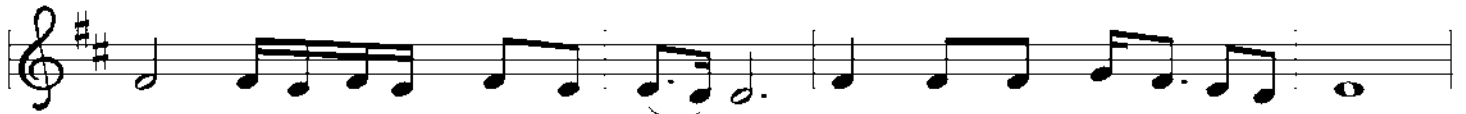
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Fa-
ther,

and he will come to judge the living and
the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Prayers of the Church

L Authorized by Christ to speak and act in his name, we lift our fervent prayers for all in need. Especially we pray for those on our prayer list.

The Assisting Minister and Pastor read the first names off the prayer list.

AM For all these and any others in need of healing, Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

AM For the victims of war, especially the children – those who die, those who lose loved ones, those traumatized by what they have seen - that we may seek to build a world which does not forsake the young, Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**

AM For all who sacrificed to gain our independence and liberties, and for all who continue to hold fast to the principles of equality, freedom, justice, and the dignity of all, Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

AM For any needs you now lift In silence or out loud.... Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

L For all these and any other needs, we offer our prayers in the name of Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

Sharing the Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please share a sign of God's peace.

The Offering is received and the table is prepared.



The Anthem is sung

One Step He Leads

Words and Music by Pepper Choplin

Sometimes I worry and wish I could see what lies ahead, what the future will be. But God calls me on to follow in faith, and he'll take tomorrow if I give him today. One step he leads and one step I'll follow, God knows my needs and he will supply. I don't know the future and all that's in store, so I'll take one step, one step to follow my Lord. Jesus said "leave all your worries forget all your cares, what you will eat and what you will wear. But seek first my Kingdom and all that is right. Your needs shall be given as you live in the light." One step he leads and one step I'll follow God knows my needs and he will supply. I don't know the future and all that's in store, so I'll take one step one step to follow. Just one step he leads and one step I'll follow, for he knows my needs and he will supply. I don't know the future and all that's in store, so I'll take one step, one step to follow, to follow my Lord. So I'll take one step, one step to follow, to follow my Lord, follow my Lord.

Offertory Hymn

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful *Offering Song*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

The Leader speaks an Offertory Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving –

L The Lord be with you.

L Lift up your hearts.

L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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C And also with you.

C We lift them to the Lord.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Proper Preface is spoken or chanted.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy *Great Thanksgiving*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Leader continues with the Great Thanksgiving.

LORD'S PRAYER

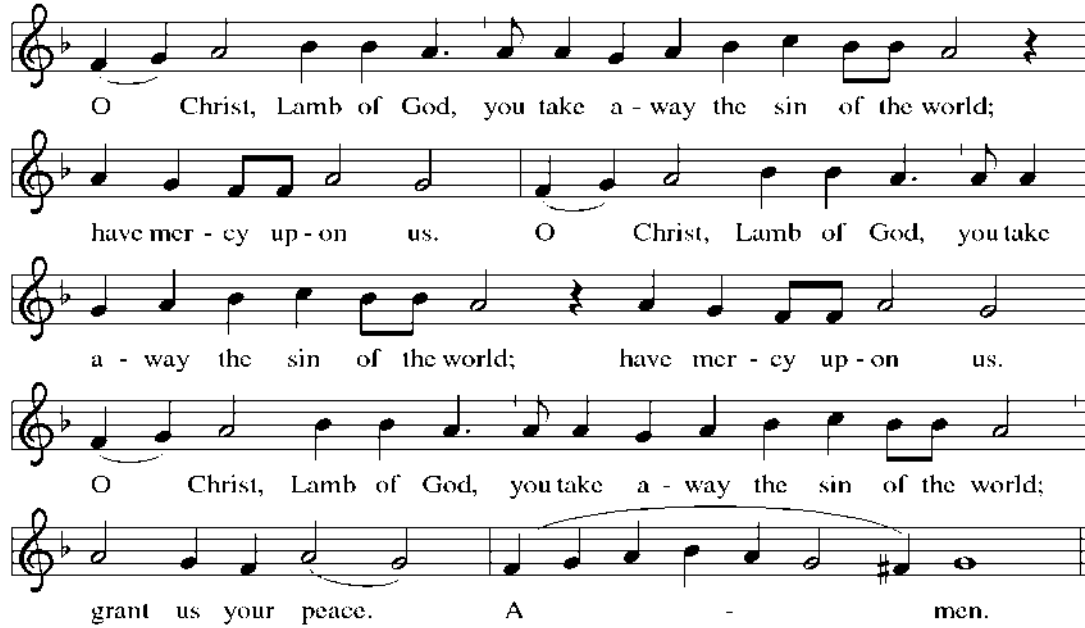
C Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

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,
forever and ever. Amen

The Agnus Dei

O Christ, Lamb of God



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take
a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - men.

All are welcome to the table of the Lord.

Communion is distributed.

Communion

Post Communion Prayer

L Let us pray. O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Benediction

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L The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. **C Amen.**

L The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

L The God of all grace bless you now and forever. **C Amen.**

Closing Hymn

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

ELW 888

Dismissal

AM Go now in peace, to love, and serve the Lord and your neighbors.

C Thanks be to God

Postlude

Noah Shapiro, soloist

Please allow a time of reflective silence during the postlude.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Torrington Scholarship Awards

**Mrs. May Friday
Central Connecticut State University
Major: Social Work**

The Edmund and Olga Pfeffer Family Memorial

In loving memory of parents, Edmund and Olga Pfeffer, and their daughters and sons by the family

The Arthur, Elsie, and Warren Hinchcliffe Scholarship

In loving memory of Dr. Warren Hinchcliffe by his parents, Arthur and Elsie Hinchcliffe.

The St. Paul's Memorial Scholarship

This memorial began in loving memory of Louise Thiede by her family, and continues in loving memory of other loved ones by members and friends of St. Paul's

The Erik Feffer Memorial Scholarship

In loving memory of Frederick Feffer by Mr. Arthur Feffer

The Jean and Bruno Arcoma Memorial Scholarship

In loving memory of Jean and Bruno Arcoma by the Arcoma family

Presented by: Scholarship Committee Member



**Miss Freyja Harrel
Binghamton University
Major: Business Management**

The Ferdinand and Othelia Feffer Memorial Scholarship

In loving memory of Ferdinand and Othelia Feffer by their children.

The Suzanne Seitz Memorial Scholarship

In loving memory of Suzanne Seitz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Seitz, by the family.

The Albert and Lillian Jene Memorial Scholarship

In loving memory of Albert and Lillian Jene by Arthur Jene.

The Frederick Feffer Memorial Scholarship

In loving memory of Frederick Feffer by Mr. Arthur Feffer.

The Charlotte Frost Family Memorial Scholarship

In Memory of Charlotte & Robert Frost by Family and Friends

The Tofield Family Memorial Scholarship

Established by Miss Bernice Tofield in honor of her parents and sister

Saint Paul's Women of the E. L. C. A. Scholarship

Established to support women within St. Paul's Congregation seeking an undergraduate degree from a college or university.



The Schlott Family Scholarship 2024 recipient to be announced during the service.

Around the Church

July 3	Finance Meeting	6:30 pm
July 8	Concert Serries Planning Meeting Council	6:00 pm 7:00 pm
July 13	Concert Series South Road	5:30 pm
July 15	Chris. Ed Meeting	6:30 pm
July 25	Worship and Music Committee Meeting	6:00 pm
August 5	Vacation Bible School Begins	9:00 am

Bible Studies 6pm most Tuesdays Zoom & 10 am most Wednesdays in person

Tai Chi 11:00 am Wednesdays
Quilting Group 1:00 pm Wednesdays



Offerings Summary:
Needed Weekly \$4,948
Actually Received \$3,176
Shortfall (\$1,772)
YTD Shortfall (\$47,102)

Minimalist bulletin

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IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following is a listing of those who need your prayers. Our hope is that you will take this listing home with you and in your daily prayers remember those listed below.

Kay Ackley	Marilyn Killingbeck	Judy Schaller
Francine Ahrens	Pat King	Rosemary & Otto Schibi
Peggy Ali	Jason Lashbrook	Teri Seleman
Joyce Almsted	John Lewis	George Shank
Phil Bascetta	David Little	Sigrid Smitley
Eli Boda	Rebecca Little	Paul Smith
Selma Boscarino	Charlotte Madia	Jennifer Stella
Cherie Brown	Audrey & Ernie Marquard	Deb & Jon Sterling
Sharon Cable	Abigail Marine	Julia Thompson Carroll
Cheryl Corey	Eric Marine	Ed
Leif Dallaire	Michael Marine	Jen O.
Emily Decker	Richard Marine	Jaiden
Linda Dellano	Janis Martin	Diane H.
Sigrid Devita	Mike Martin	Steve
Irene Douglas	Gil & Marilyn Martin	Angel Marie
Judy Elliott	Michael Meyers	Lou W.
Betty Enbeskotte	Rich Minelli	Curtis
Mark Enbeskotte	Kate Merrow	Steve
Jan Eucallito	Brigitte Mueller	Jack W.
Bruce & Liz Falls	Bill Muhl	Todd
Ashley Friday	Dennis Nalette	Robert K.
Rosemarie Foth	Karen Ness	Karen
Joan Gerard	Tom O'Brien	
Ruth Grech	Lea Orriola & family	
Jack & Barbara Heintz	Russell Palmer	
Kathleen Hilton	Maria Payne	
Shannon Hilton	Dr. Barbara Rose Ponse	
Jake Hoadley	Jack Quinn	
Erma Horn	Jackie Quinn Wassik	
Amy Rose Jensen	Caroline Quintal	
Eunice Jones	Roman Radzins	
Ed Killingbeck	Jonathan Richard	
Lynn Killingbeck	Louise Roche	

Our Nursing Home Members

Dee Gammon
Midge Rosenbeck
Calvin Bensch

Our Military Friends

Lord Jesus, Savior of the World and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of their Country. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers. Keep them close to you and help them live the commandments. Lord, Jesus give them courage to serve their country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthen them when they face hardship. Above all Lord, grant that when their service is finished that they may return to us, sound in mind, body and soul. Amen.

Tyler Quinn
Eric Beyus
Major Zachary Fulton
Brandan Holbrook
Jonathan Connell
Tom Gregg, Jr.
Eric Bremer

Peter Hutchinson
S/W Anderson James Ernst USCG
SPC Dominic Boscarino
PVT Noah Braatz
PVT 2 Christian Braatz

2024 Concert Series



@ St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Date	Band
July 13	South Road
August 10	Stay Tuned Band
September 14	Brother Other
October 12	Potter's Field
November 9	Maximum Dosage

Tickets available Mon.—Fri. at the church office, Sunday mornings prior to the service or at the event.

\$10 for 13+ \$5 for 6-12 under 6 are free

All shows begin at 5:30 pm Light refreshments available for purchase or bring a picnic.



Summertime Second Saturdays Craft Fair!

July 13, August 10, and September 14

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
837 Charles St. Torrington

10 am to 1 pm

Running in conjunction with the
Torrington Farmers Market

All handmade items presented
by local artisans and crafters

