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**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**September 21, 2025**

10:00 AM

The Right Reverend Peter Eaton, Bishop

The Reverend Cori Olson, Rector

The Reverend Sonley Joseph, Priest

The Reverend Deacon Bob Sullivan & The Reverend Deacon April Alford-Harkey

Steve Ragsdale, Eucharistic Minister & Reader, Chuck Jackson, Eucharistic Minister  
and Dick Lewallen, Reader

Dave Fry and Dave Ptak, Ushers

Mary Nelson, Organist

James Balmer, Choir Director

Choir: Lucretia Alexandru, Ron Bukley, Chuck Clarke, Linda Crisman, Jon Flath, Alicia Longwell, Debra McNerney, Twig Morris, Jean Claude Sanon, John Shepherd, Carol Sink, Kathi Smith, Linda Sullivan, Sandy Wertz

Bama Lutes Deal – AV Board

Catherine Kollar-Dye, Vestry Person of the Day

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**\*\*The flowers on the altar are given by Susan Clarke  
In honor of Jen Maycan's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday \*\***

Prelude — ..... Dennis Blake

Welcome..... Rev. Sonley Joseph

Processional Hymn #488..... Be Thou My Vision

*1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; all else be nought to me, save that thou art—  
thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

*2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my great Father; thine own may I be; thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.*

*3 High King of heaven, when victory is won, may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

### Acclamation

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**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, worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### The Gloria

*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father, Amen.*

### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you,

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall

endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## **The Lessons**

### **A Reading from the Book of Amos 8:4-7**

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, when will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Reader: Here ends the lesson.

### **Psalm 113 - *Laudate, pueri***

- 1 Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD; \*  
praise the Name of the LORD.
- 2 Let the Name of the LORD be blessed, \*  
from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 From the rising of the sun to its going down \*  
let the Name of the LORD be praised.
- 4 The LORD is high above all nations, \*  
and his glory above the heavens.
- 5 Who is like the LORD our God, who sits enthroned on high \*  
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?
- 6 He takes up the weak out of the dust \*  
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.
- 7 He sets them with the princes, \*  
with the princes of his people.
- 8 He makes the woman of a childless house \*  
to be a joyful mother of children.

### **A Reading from the Book of 1 Timothy 2:1-7**

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all -- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed

a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord.

*People*    ***Thanks be to God.***

## **The Gospel**

Gradual Hymn #676 ..... There Is A Balm In Gilead

[Refrain] ***There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole,  
there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.***

***1. Sometimes I feel discouraged. and think my work's in vain, but then the Holy Spirit  
revives my soul again. [Refrain]***

**The Holy Gospel** of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

*People:*    ***Glory to you, Lord Christ***

### **Luke 16:1-13**

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

**The Gospel** of the Lord.

*People: Praise to you Lord Christ*

[Refrain] *There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole,  
there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.*

*2. If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul, you can tell the love of  
Jesus and say, "He died for all." [Refrain]*

**The Sermon** ..... Reverend Sonley Joseph

## **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 VI**

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For 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 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, and Peter, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

***For all who serve God in his Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

**Please remember in your prayers:** *Dominic, Jason, Joan, Christine, Donna, Peter, Sergio, Selwyn, Lester & Ronnie, Susan, Janet, Ronna, April, Dave, Jose, Candace, Kathy, John D., Karen, Mark, Barbara G., Joyce, Brian, Linda, Roger, Tom, Todd, Laura & Danny, Barbara C., John G., Earl, Robert, Tim, Chris, Michael, Deacon Bob, Blake. Please pray also for our companion Dioceses: Cuba, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Madagascar & Toliare.*

Hear us, Lord;

***For you mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

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.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

***Who put their trust in you.***

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***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, 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/Announcements**

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:*     ***And also with you.***

## **The Holy Communion**

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem: “We Are The Lord’s” ..... arr. By Roland Martin

**Doxology:** ***Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above the heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.***

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

*The people remain standing.*

*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 him 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.

For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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

*Celebrant and People – S129 ..... Sanctus*

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

*The people stand or kneel.*

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:

*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. 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

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

***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 Breaking of the Bread – *silence is kept***

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

**Agnus Dei – S163**

***Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.***

***Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.***

***Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.***

*Celebrant* 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 Hymn #L191 ..... His Eye Is On The Sparrow

***1. Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come, why should my heart be lonely, and long for heav'n and home; when Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is He:***

***Refrain:***

***His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me; His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me. I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free; For His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.***

***2. "Let not your heart be troubled," His tender word I hear, and resting on His goodness, I lose my doubts and fears; though by the path He leadeth, but one step I may see; [Refrain]***

3. *When ever I am tempted, when ever clouds arise, when songs give place to sighing,  
When hope within me dies, I draw the closer to Him, from care He sets me free; [Refrain]*

*Chant: In God alone my soul can find rest and peace, in God my peace and joy.  
Only in God my Soul can find its rest, find its rest and peace.*

Hymn #654 – Day By Day

*“Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: to see thee more clearly,  
love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day.”*

### Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

*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

*Recessional Hymn #594 ..... God Of Grace And God Of Glory*

- 1. God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient  
Church’s story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.*
- 2. Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long  
have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise: grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the living of these days, for the living of these days.*
- 3. Cure thy children’s warring madness, bend our pride to thy control; shame our wanton,  
selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest  
we miss thy kingdom’s goal, lest we miss thy kingdom’s goal.*
- 4. Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of thy salvation be our  
glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, serving  
thee whom we adore.*

### Dismissal

Postlude – ..... Dennis Blake

### Announcements

**In case of emergency, call the church office at 561-582-6609 or the Senior Warden, Catherine Kollar-Dye at 561-601-4145.**

- **CHOIR REHEARSAL** is on Thursdays at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary. If you are interested in joining the choir please speak to Mary or Jim, all are welcome.
- **The Daughters of the King Ministry** we will start discernment classes October 11<sup>th</sup> in the parish hall. Please speak with any of the Daughters for information. They are grateful for your donations! Please make checks payable directly to DOK MARY & MARTHA CHAPTER. Thank you for your generous support.
- **LAKE WORTH INTERFAITH NETWORK** International Peace Day Dinner and Prayer Service will be Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 4 pm to 9 pm here at St. Andrew's.
- **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** will take place from 2 – 4 outside on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup> and during all services Saturday and Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. Please bring your scaly, furry, or feathery pets for a special blessing. The Daughters of the King is collecting used towels/blankets, cat and dog food to donate to Palm Beach County Animal Care and Control.
- **PEACE: The first of several house meetings** will be held this Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30 in the parish hall. This meeting is kindly sponsored by Andrea McNally.
- **LAKE WORTH INTERFAITH NETWORK** is hosting a Sukkot celebration on Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the parish hall.
- **NEW Envelopes** in the pews this week. There are pencils in a small cup in the prayerbook holders. **Please put a checkmark where you would like your donation to go.**
- **Care Committee:** If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, visits, or other assistance, we encourage you to contact us by email at [care@standrewslwb.org](mailto:care@standrewslwb.org), or by calling either Brian McDonnell at 561.339.0147, or Alison Albury at 315.681.8867 to arrange assistance. **The committee meets today immediately following coffee hour.**
- **The Way Café is looking for donations for our outdoor food pantry.** You can either place items directly in the food pantry, located on N. Palmway, or leave them in the Narthex. Thank you!
- **Christian Education Opportunities** Bible Study continues on Sundays at 9:00a.m.
- **Christian Education Opportunities will resume with** Rev. Cori on Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the 10:00a.m. service, where we will be studying the Book of Acts. Also on Wednesdays at 6:00p.m. via Zoom with Rev. Cori. we will be studying the Song of Solomon.

- **2025 Pledge Cards** are available in the Pews & Narthex.
- **Mon-Fri**: Join Rev. Cori for Morning Prayer at 7:30 a.m. live on Facebook.
- If you wish to donate **Altar Flowers** to honor a special occasion, or in memory of a loved one, please sign the list located in the Parish Hall (please print legibly) or call the office.
- **The Coffee Hour** needs your time and talent. Please speak to Roxie Roberts to volunteer!