

Welcome to  
**Sunriver Christian**  
**Fellowship**

An Ecumenical Ministry Sponsored by the Episcopal and Lutheran Churches



The Holy Eucharist  
in Celebration of  
the Seventh Sunday  
After Pentecost

July 7, 2024  
10 a.m.

# Order of Service

**Pastor Mark Brocker, *Celebrant & Preacher***

**Gene Bennington, *Lector***

**Mitzi Putney & Rob Pearson, *Keyboardists***

**Carol Thomas & Don Udlock, *Song Leaders***

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**Bell Toll** *The ringing of the bells call us to worship and quiets our minds and voices.*

**Prelude** *A time to prepare for worship.* ***America the Beautiful Medley*** arr. S. Wilson

**Welcome & Announcements**

Pastor Rob Pearson

**SCF Search/Call Committee**

Jenny Long

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Please stand as you are able.

*Celebrant:* Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who looks upon us in compassion,  
forgives our sin, and heals our lives.

**All: Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Moment of silent reflection

*Celebrant:* Have mercy, O God,

**All: against you, you alone, we have sinned. In your compassion, cleanse us from our  
sin and take away our guilt. Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit.  
Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit and restore your joy within us.  
Amen.**

*Celebrant:* As tender as parent to child, so deep is God's compassion for you. As high as  
heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for you. As far as east is from west, so  
far God removes your sin from you, renewing your life through Jesus Christ.  
Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.

**All: Blessed be God forever.**

**Gathering Song**

***Let Us Go Now to the Banquet*** ELW #523, OneLicense.net, A-740306

Refrain

Let us go now to the banquet, to the  
feast of the uni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is  
wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry one, with your gifts to share.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the refrain. The second staff contains the melody for the second line, including a whole rest for the word 'uni'. The third staff contains the melody for the third line, ending with a double bar line and repeat dots. The lyrics are written below the notes.

1. I will rise in the early morn - ing; the com -  
 2. God in - vites all the poor and hun - gry to the  
 3. May we build such a place a - mong us where all

mu - ni - ty's wait - ing for me. With a spring in my step I'm  
 ban - quet of jus - tice and good where the har - vest will not be  
 peo - ple are e - qual in love. God has called us to work to -

To Refrain

walk - ing with my friends and my fam - i - ly.  
 hoard - ed so that no one will lack for food.  
 geth - er and to share ev - 'ry - thing we have.

*Celebrant:* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother  
 who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may  
 spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and  
 Lord.

**All: Amen.**

Please be seated.

## **The Scripture Lessons**

Gene Bennington

### **A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians 5:1, 13-25**

*Lector:* For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again  
 to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not  
 use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become  
 slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment,  
 "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another,  
 take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and  
 do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the  
 Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to  
 each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit,  
 you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, im-  
 purity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dis-  
 sensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning  
 you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of  
 God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,

generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

*Word of God, word of life.*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

A moment for meditation

**Psalm 123** Please read 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,**
- 3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God, \*  
**until he show us his mercy.**
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, \*  
**for we have had more than enough of contempt,**
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, \*  
**and of the derision of the proud.**

Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

**Lector: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark 6:1-13**

**All: Glory to you, O Lord..**

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

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

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

**Musical Reflection:**

**Jesus Medley** arr. P. Cota

Bell Ensemble

Donna Pensinger, Mitzi Putney, Jan Tuckerman, Jane Vakoc, Alison Weatherhead

**Sermon**

***The Great Charter of Christian Freedom***

Pastor Mark

Please stand as you are able.

**Sermon Response Hymn**

**Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service** ELW #712, OneLicense.net



1. Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man need, who up-  
3. As we wor-ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal-ing light in its  
4. Called by wor-ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go, to the

on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer - cy's per - fect deed; we, your  
height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened sight, mak - ing  
child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show; hope and

ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart; con - se-  
known the needs and bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring  
health, good - will and com - fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give, that your

crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.  
us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.  
ser - vants, Lord in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

**Apostles' Creed**

**All: 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 saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Please be seated.

## **Prayers of the People**

*Lector:* We come before you, O God, to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

*A brief silence*

God of creation, your goodness abounds. Multiply the fruits of the earth and rescue it from our wastefulness. Merciful God,

**All: receive our prayer.**

*Lector:* God of justice, you reign in steadfast love. Bring peace between peoples ravaged by war or strife—especially in Palestine and Israel, Ukraine, Sudan, Kenya, and Haiti—and illumine paths of justice and freedom for those who lead them. Merciful God,

**All: receive our prayer.**

*Lector:* God of compassion, your touch brings healing and your word revives us for life. Hear our prayers for all who are in need, especially Karin B., Carol W., Shirley & Gary C., Andy E., Benjamin C., Carol D., Madelyn G., Thomas W., Sierra G., Scott J., Lauren B., Clyde B., Patty & Al K., Nancy V., Carol F., Jennie F., Erik E., Lynne E., Betsy M., Amber F., Olivia L., and Aedan V. We give thanks for doctors, nurses, and health care workers who provide care. Turn wailing into dancing and weeping into joy. Merciful God,

**All: receive our prayer.**

*Lector:* God of community, you gather us at your table of plenty. Where there is hunger among us, open our hands. Where we are indifferent to the needs of others, open our hearts. Merciful God,

**All: receive our prayer.**

*Lector:* God of the ages, great is your faithfulness. We remember in thanksgiving our beloved dead, who with all the saints sing without ceasing in your realm of glory. Merciful God,

**All: receive our prayer.**

*Lector:* All these things and whatever else you see that we need, grant us, O God, in the name of Jesus the Christ.

**All: Amen.**

Please stand as you are able.

## **Sharing of the Peace**

*Celebrant:* The peace of Christ be with you always.

**All: And also with you.**

Please be seated.

## **Offertory**

***Simple Gifts*** arr. P. Cota

Bell Ensemble

Please stand as you are able.

## **Offertory Response**

## ***The Doxology***

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is sure. Word and water, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Receive the gifts we bring, and nourish us to proclaim your abiding love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song.

**All: Amen.**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

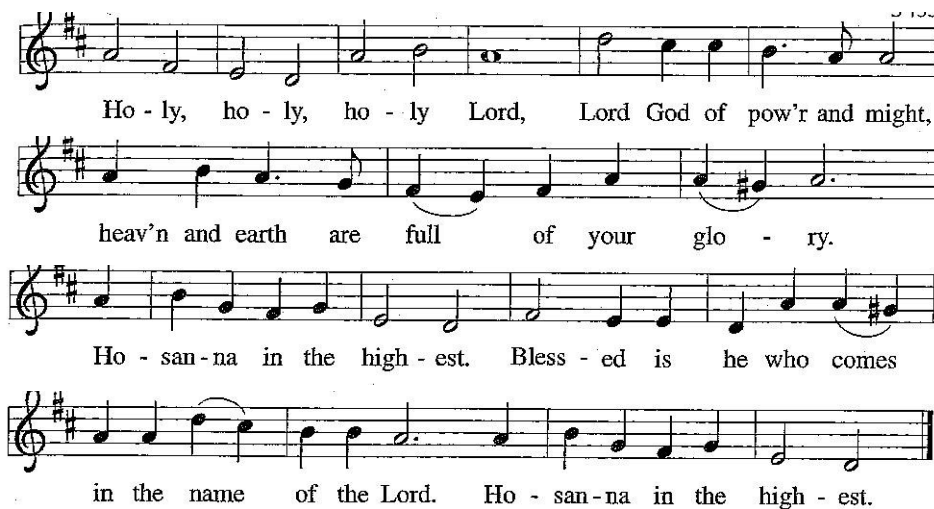
*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:* 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.

You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory.

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:



*Celebrant:* O God triune, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

Over the eons your merciful might evolved our home, a fragile tree of life.

Here by your wisdom are both life and death, growth and decay,  
the nest and the hunt, sunshine and storm, darkness and light.

Sustained by these wonders, we creatures of dust join in the ancient song:

The earth is full of your glory.

**All: The earth is full of your glory.**

*Celebrant:* O God triune, you took on our flesh in Jesus our healer.

In Christ you bring life from death; we remember his cross, we laud his resurrection.  
Broken like bread, he enlivens our body. Outpoured like wine, he fills the earth with  
goodness. Receiving this mystery, we mortals sing our song:  
The earth is full of your glory.

**All: The earth is full of your glory.**

*Celebrant:* We praise you for the heart of Jesus, so filled with your love for this earth.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the for-  
giveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Gathered around this table, we your children unite in this song:  
The earth is full of your glory.

**All: The earth is full of your glory**

*Celebrant:* Amen, and amen.

**All: Amen, and amen.**

*Celebrant:* Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**All: 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 Fraction**

*Celebrant:* Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Please be seated

We ask that you respect the need for silence during the distribution of Holy Communion.

## **The Distribution**

Please be seated until the usher indicates that it is time for your row to go forward.  
All are welcome to receive Christ's body and blood.  
If you prefer a blessing, come forward with your arms crossed in front of you.  
If you wish to receive Communion at your seat, please notify an usher.  
You may respond with "Amen" as you receive Communion.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.



We thank you, O God, that you have strengthened our hearts through this feast of life and salvation. Shine the light of Christ on our path, that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

*Celebrant:* The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,  
keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

**All: Amen.**

### **Closing Hymn**

***This is My Song*** ELW #887, OneLicense.net

1. This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,  
3. This is my prayer, O God of all earth's king doms,  
a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.  
your king - dom come; on earth your will be done.  
This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;  
O God, be lift - ed up till all shall serve you,  
here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;  
and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.  
but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing  
So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions;  
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.  
my - self I give you; let your will be done.

### **Dismissal**

*Celebrant:* Go in peace. Share the good news.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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The artists' reception after church will provide appetizers.

**Celebrant next week:** The Rev. Chuck Christopher

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ARTISTS' RECEPTION      TODAY!**

The Nancy McGrath Green Gallery's new show, "Near and Far", featuring works by the High Desert Art League., opens **today** after the worship service. Be sure to stop by, view the art work and visit with the artists. Refreshments will be served.

### **SPECIAL EVENT**

July 20, 11:00 a.m. Roy Green and Katie Keller will be offering a class in the Sanctuary with Mr. Brad Neary, the Saint John's Bible presenter, for folks to hear the full story of the Bible project. See the SCF website for more information about the Saint John's Bible. On Sunday, July 21, there will be a special service using the Saint John's Bible, and after the service there will be an open house.

### **SCF POTLUCK PICNIC**

Thursday, July 25, 5:00 p.m.  
Mary McCallum Park

Sign up sheets will be at the church every Sunday.

Sign up to bring a salad, entrée, or dessert.

Bring your own beverages.

Plates, silverware, and water will be provided.

Come and join your fellow SCF friends for an evening of fellowship along the beautiful Deschutes River!

### **SCF PARKING LOT MAINTENANCE**

On July 24-26, our parking lot, both SCF's and the Aquatic Center's, between Holy Trinity and the Aquatic Center, will be closed due to having sealcoat applied and then striping. To access SCF, please park at the dog park or the Marketplace store and walk to SCF

### **UPCOMING SERVICES**

July 14:      The Rev. Chuck Christopher

July 21:      The Rev. Mary Anne Gard and the Rev. Roy Green  
                Special: St. John's Bible in the worship service

July 28:      Pastor Erika Spaet

August 4     Pastor Rob Pearson

August 11    The Rev. Chuck Christopher

### **GUEST BOOK**

We would love it if our guests would sign the guest book with your full mailing address. It is located in the lobby on the counter by the coffee bar.

## **OFFICE EMAIL ADDRESSES**

The office will be using our new email addresses from now on.

Please send general emails to: [info@sunriverchristianfellowship.org](mailto:info@sunriverchristianfellowship.org).

Please send emails specifically for Rob to: [rpearson@sunriverchristianfellowship.org](mailto:rpearson@sunriverchristianfellowship.org).

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## **SCF MANAGING BOARD**

The SCF Managing Board meets monthly, on the fourth Tuesday of the month, at SCF, 1:30 p.m. The next meeting is July 23. All are welcome to attend.

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