

*st. peter's chelsea*



**Morning Prayer & Holy Eucharist**  
**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

July 27, 2025  
10:00 AM

*Note for parents: Our Children's Ministry and Nursery team is currently on summer break through July. We love the "joyful noise" of kids and welcome them into our worship! If you need a quiet space, the rectory is open and available with toys and a diaper changing station. Activity Kits are also available – just ask a greeter for help!*

## PRELUDE

*Please rise in body or spirit.*

## OPENING SONG

### *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a treble and bass staff. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with the bass staff providing harmonic support. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;  
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,  
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,  
4 Mor - tals, join the hap - py cho - rus which the morn - ing stars be - gan;

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, open - ing to the sun a - bove.  
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean depth of hap - py rest!  
love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us, join - ing all with - in its span.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the dark of doubt a - way;  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - ery mead - ow, flash - ing sea,  
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Broth - er— all who live in love are thine;  
Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, vic - tors in the midst of strife;

giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day!  
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.  
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine.  
joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward in the tri - umph song of life.

WORDS: Henry Van Dyke; MUSIC: Ludwig von Beethoven

*Officiant* O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.  
*All* **And your glory all the day long.**  
**Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

## **INVITATORY** | Psalm 67: 1 - 5

May God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make his face to shine upon us,  
**that your way may be known upon earth,**  
**your saving power among all nations.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,**  
**for you judge the peoples with equity**  
**and guide the nations upon earth.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

*Please be seated.*

## **LISTENING** | Psalm 138

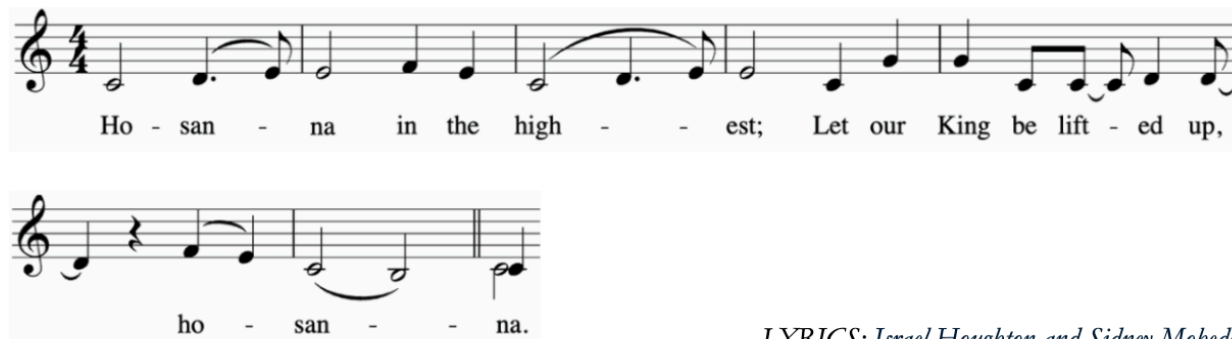
*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*All* **Thanks be to God.**

## **LISTENING** | Colossians 2: 6-19

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*All* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise.*

## SONG



LYRICS: *Israel Houghton and Sidney Mobede*

*Please be seated.*

## REFLECTION

Nell Gibson

*Please rise.*

## THE PRAYERS

*Officiant* Hear our cry, O God.  
*All* **And listen to our prayer.**  
*Officiant* Let us pray.

Help us, O God our Savior;  
**Deliver us and forgive us our sins.**  
Look upon your congregation;  
**Give to your people the blessing of peace.**  
Declare your glory among the nations;  
**And your wonders among all peoples.**  
Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;  
**Never forget the lives of your poor.**  
Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;  
**And your favor to those who are true of heart.**  
Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;  
**So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**  
*What are you grateful for? Who or what is on your heart to pray for this morning?*

God, you are our beginning and you will be our end;  
we are made in your image and likeness.  
We praise and thank you for this day.  
This is the day on which you created light  
and saw that it was good.

This is the day in whose early morning light  
we discovered the tomb was empty,  
and encountered Christ, the world's true light.  
This is the day you have made;  
we shall rejoice and be glad in it.

**Lord, make us instruments of your peace;  
where there is hatred, let us sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is discord, union;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.**

Eternal God, grant to us this day and every day  
such readiness and delight in following Christ,  
that whether our lives are short or long  
we shall have lived abundantly.

**Amen.**

*- New Zealand Prayer Book*

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.  
**All Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant* Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or  
imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ  
Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING**

*Fill out an information card or  
share a prayer request by using  
the QR code:*



*You can give in the offering box  
near the doors, through our website  
or by using the QR code:*



## OFFERTORY

*Open Up*

You heard the cry of our hearts  
And you came down  
Freely you gave us your love  
Showing us how

All that we do without love  
It means nothing  
Grant us the courage to give  
As you're calling

Make me an instrument of your peace  
Where there is hatred let me show love  
Where there is darkness let me shine light and

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[REFRAIN]

*REFRAIN:*

*May your love cause us to open up  
Cause us to open up our hearts  
May your light cause us to shine so bright  
That we bring hope into the dark*

*BRIDGE: Hope for the hopeless, your love is  
Strength in our weakness, your love is  
May we love, as you love (repeat)*

WORDS/MUSIC: *The Brilliance*

**TO THE COURTYARD** *\*Bring your bulletin with you!*

## HOLY EUCHARIST

*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 God thanks and praise.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread...

... Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

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

**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.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.**

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.

*If you would like to receive communion, hold your palms open when the celebrant comes to you. Gluten free wafers are available by request. If you prefer a blessing instead, cross your arms over your chest.*

## SONGS     *Come and Fill Our Hearts/ Jesus Remember Me/ Thank You, Lord*

English: Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho-ly.  
Latin: Con-fi-te-mi-ni Do-mi-no quo-ni-am bo-nus.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace, al-le-lu-ia!  
Con-fi-te-mi-ni Do-mi-no, al-le-lu-ia!

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

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WORDS/MUSIC: Taize Community

*Thank you, Lord*  
*Thank you, Lord*  
*Thank you, Lord*  
*I just want to thank you, Lord*

WORDS/MUSIC: Judy Marshall

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
**All** **Loving God,**  
**we give you thanks**  
**for restoring us in your image**  
**and nourishing us with spiritual food**  
**in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.**  
**Now send us forth**  
**a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;**  
**that we may proclaim your love to the world**  
**and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## FINAL BLESSING

The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*Pass the peace of Christ to each other and stick around for a few minutes after service for fellowship and refreshments! If you would like to receive prayer, there will be a prayer team member inside the church, in the back of the sanctuary right after the service.*

## WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S CHELSEA!

We're so glad that you joined us today! Please sign up for our email newsletter at [www.stpeterschelsea.org](http://www.stpeterschelsea.org), follow us on Instagram and Facebook @stpeterschelsea and find out more ways to get connected.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **BRICKS, MORTAR AND COMMUNITY: Your Gift Will Help Complete This Project!**

We are currently in the midst of a \$2.3 million project to repair and revitalize our church home. Please visit "1831 Rectory Project" at [www.stpeterschelsea.org](http://www.stpeterschelsea.org) to learn more about the why and how behind this restoration project and ways to give.

**The CREATIVE ARTS PROJECT** is a free arts immersion camp for children ages 6–12, happening August 25–29 from 9am–3pm. Hosted by St. Peter's Chelsea in partnership with Church of the Heavenly Rest and St. Mary's Harlem, the camp offers storytelling, art, dance, music, journaling, outdoor games, and free lunch — all rooted in creativity as spiritual practice.

This year we're welcoming 19 campers - our biggest group yet - and we need your help to make it a success!

#### **Here's how you can support:**

- **Donate:** Help us cover meals and supplies by giving gift cards or donating through our GIVE page on our website. You can give via Zelle (information is on the page) or through General Donation. Please be sure to designate your gift to "CAP".
- **Volunteer:** Join us for **Move In Day** on Friday, August 22 (11am–3pm) — and Saturday if needed. We also need support during camp week.

Interested or have questions? Email Lisha at [lisha@stpeterschelsea.org](mailto:lisha@stpeterschelsea.org).

#### **WEEKLY GATHERINGS:**

- **Zoom Prayer,** Weekdays at 8 am, led by the Episcopal Diocese of NY. Visit the Connect page on our website for the link.
- **Food Pantry,** Saturdays from 9:30-11:30 am. We're open select dates this summer (July 12 and August 16) and will reopen fully on September 6. If you have questions or are interested in volunteering, contact Brian Wexler at [foodpantry@stpeterschelsea.org](mailto:foodpantry@stpeterschelsea.org).

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