



Independence Day Proper 9

July 7, 2024

Prelude

Opening Hymn

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

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- 1 O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain;
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.
- 2 O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.
- 3 O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
All **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.**

Celebrant 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.**

All **God of Our Fathers** **H718**

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
in this free land by thee our lot is cast;
be thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay,
thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
be thy strong arm our ever sure defense;
thy true religion in our hearts increase,
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

Refresh thy people on their toilsome way,
lead us through night to never ending day;
fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.
Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves
and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant that we and all the

people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Lesson Micah 6:6-8

Reader: A reading from the Book of Micah...

With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgressions, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?...The Word of the Lord...

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 67

1. May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show the light of his countenance and come to us.
2. Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
4. Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.
5. Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
6. The earth has brought forth her increase;
May God, our own God, give us his blessing.
7. May God give us his blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

The Second Lesson 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Reader: A reading from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians...

Brothers and sisters, That I, Paul, might not become too elated, because of the abundance of revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me by an angel of Satan, to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, 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. Therefore I am content with weakness, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong. ...The Word of the Lord...

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn

My Country 'Tis of Thee

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- 1 My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty,
of thee I sing; land where my fathers died,
land of the pilgrim's pride,
from every mountainside
let freedom ring.
- 2 My native country, thee, land of the noble free,
thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills,
thy woods and templed hills;

my heart with rapture thrills
like that above.

3 Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees
sweet freedom's song; let mortal tongues awake,
let all that breathe partake,
let rocks their silence break,
the sound prolong.

4 Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty,
to thee we sing; long may our land be bright
with freedom's holy light;
protect us by thy might,
great God, our King.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Gospel Mark 6:1-13

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.

Deacon The holy Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Gary Nicolosi

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father 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 and 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

- Leader O Lord, our Governor, whose glory is in all the world: We commend this nation to your merciful care, that, being guided by your Providence, we may dwell secure in your peace.
God of the nations,
People Hear our prayer.
- Leader Grant to the President of the United States, the Governor of Arizona, and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do your will. God of the nations,
People Hear our prayer.
- Leader Give to judges, lawyers and all court officials understanding and integrity, that the rule of law may be administered and justice served. God of the nations,
People Hear our prayer.
- Leader Fill the people of this land with the love of truth and righteousness, forgive our anger, hatred and divisions, and make us ever mindful of our calling to care for one another. God of the nations,
People Hear our prayer.
- Leader Protect the men and women of our Armed Forces at home and abroad; defend them with your heavenly grace; give them the courage to face the perils which beset them; and strengthen them in their mission. God of the nations,
People Hear our prayer.
- Leader Send your holy and life-giving Spirit to move the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease. God of the nations,
People Hear our prayer.
- Leader Bless your Church, and especially we pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Jennifer our Bishop, Mike our Vicar and Debra our Deacon. God of the nations,
People Hear our prayer.
- Leader Have compassion on those who suffer any grief, sorrow, sickness or trouble, and give to the departed eternal rest. God of the nations,
People Hear our prayer.
- Celebrant Lord God Almighty, you have made all the people of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
People Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, in what we have done, and in 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.
- Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy upon 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.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Congregational Song **Let There Be Peace on Earth** (*text is on the inside of the hymnal back cover*)

THE SERVICE OF THE TABLE

Please sit, stand or kneel for the Eucharistic prayer.



Offertory Sentence: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifices to God

Offertory Music

All **Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye, Heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Eucharistic Prayer A

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **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.**

The Celebrant proceeds:

It is a right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

All **Sanctus**

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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 Celebrant continues:

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:

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues:

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 are yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
All **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

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 OF THE PEOPLE

Whoever you are and wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome to receive the bread and wine of Christ's Body and Blood. The wine will be offered by intinction, which means that you may dip the wafer into the small cup of wine offered by the Deacon. Please do not put your fingers into the wine. If you do not wish to receive the wine, just receive the wafer and return to your seat. The Church teaches that you receive the full Christ in either the bread or wine. There is no requirement to receive both. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Communion Music

Celebrant The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.
Communicant **Amen.**

Deacon The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.
Communicant **Amen.**

CLOSING PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.
All **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

God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the Church, the nation and the world peace and concord, and to us and all his servants, life everlasting; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

The Battle Hymn of the Republic

**Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword
His truth is marching on.**

**Refrain: *Glory, Glory, Halleluia!
Glory, Glory, Halleluia!
Glory, Glory, Halleluia!
His truth is marching on.***

**I have seen him in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps
They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps
I can read his righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps
His day is marching on. *Refrain***

**He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat
He is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer Him! Be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on. *Refrain***

**In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me
As he died to make us holy, let us live to make men free
While God is marching on. *Refrain***

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the spirit. Alleluia!

Dismissal Response Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

Please remain in your seat until the videographer raises an arm to indicate the recording has ended.

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Family & Friends Prayer List

Hargrave Family for peace and comfort
Owen Masic for healing and comfort
Charles Stover for healing and comfort

The above name will stay on this list for up to four weeks. If someone needs to remain on this list for a longer period, or to have others added to this list, please contact the church office.

Ongoing List

Kathleen O'Hagan
George Toschak
Paula Erwin Yoder
Becky Thomas
Hartley Bennett
Sandy Schlege, Betty Hanson
All first responders
All Healthcare workers
All funeral directors and staff
Peace for the people of Gaza, Israel, Ukraine and Russia

Military Prayer List

All members of the Armed Forces, especially those serving overseas

U.S. Air Force Colby Harlan
 KayLee Thomas

U.S. Army Andrew

U.S. Navy Caleb Landon

Lord Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd of the sheep, you gather the lambs in your arms and carry them in your bosom;

Worship Ministry

Sunday 7/07	Rev. Dr. Gary Nicolosi
Accolate	Alison Nicolosi
Altar Guild	Dave Loder
Usher	Kelly Ryan
Lector	Michael Campbell
Bishop's Committee	Kelly/Erica**

Sunday 7/14	Rev. Mike Seiler
Altar Guild	Caroline Marham
Usher	Linda Brockwell
Lector	Jan Savoie
Bishop's Committee	Caroline/Randy**

Prayer Service Schedule

Morning Prayer - Wednesday-Friday 7:30 am
Morning Prayer and Breakfast - Second Thursday in the month - 7:30 am
Anglican Rosary - 4th Thursday of the month beginning June 27
Taizé Service - 1st Wednesday of the month beginning August 7

Announcements

Coffee Hour - ECW

Upcoming:

7/07 Birthday Celeb
7/11 Morning Prayer and Breakfast 7:30 am
7/14 Rustic Ranch Service 1 pm
7/21 Parish Nurse
7/27 Mike's Ordination
7/28 SALT Luncheon

Reminding everyone that *Adult Forum* at 9:15 in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

Project SALT Food for 7/14: Soups, Stews, Ramen
Project SALT Peanut Butter/Jelly Drive
When: Every Sunday through August
Goal: 7 Jars each Peanut Butter & Jelly every Sunday

Please let the office know if you are not receiving either the newsletter or bulletins

We have purchased re-usable grocery bags, partly funded by ECW to gently remind you when purchasing groceries for your family to include an item or two for the food insecure here in Wickenburg.



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