

**St. David's Episcopal Church
1519 Elmwood Rd
Lansing, MI 48917**

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 23, 2017

St. David's will be a Christian Community where people may come and experience our love of God, our faith in Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit working in and through us.

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Prelude:
Processional Hymn #362

"Nicaea"

+The Word of God+

Salutation
Collect for Purity
Gloria S-275 (Front of blue hymnal)

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-Harrison

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson
Psalm 139: 1-11, 22-23
The Epistle
Gradual Hymn #453

Genesis 28:10-19a
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Romans 8:12-25
"Jacob's Ladder"

The Holy Gospel
36-43
Sermon
The Nicene Creed
The Prayers of the People – Form III
Confession
The Peace
Announcements/Birthdays and Anniversary Blessings
Offertory: *Adoro devote*
Presentation of Tithes & Offerings
Presentation Hymn #380, verse 3

Matthew 13:24-30,

The Rev. Dr. Carol Spangenberg
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-Walter Pelz

"Old 100th"

+The Holy Communion+

The Great Thanksgiving
Sanctus: S-130 (Front of blue hymnal)
Eucharistic Prayer B
Amen: S-146 (Front of blue hymnal)
The Lord's Prayer (traditional)

BCP p. 361
-Schubert
BCP p. 367
-Robinson
BCP p. 364

+The Communion of the Faithful+

All Baptized people who believe in the Sacramental presence of Christ in the Eucharist are welcome to come forward to receive.

Communion Music
Post-Communion Prayer
Blessing
Recessional Hymn #601
Dismissal
Postlude: *St. Michael*

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"St. Michael"

-Wayne Barlow

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Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent; for this is the House of God. Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

Personal Prayers for healing are available immediately following the services today. Simply go to the north (left) end of the communion rail where the Prayer Ministers will spend time praying for your special needs and concerns

THIS WEEK AT ST. DAVID'S

Sunday, July 23

8:00 AM – Holy Eucharist
10:30 AM - Holy Eucharist

Monday, July 24

10:00 AM – Babywearers – Great Hall
7:00 PM - OA - Room 2/5
7:00 PM - Promise Keepers - Library
7:30 PM - Divorced, Widowed, Single Group - Room 9

Tuesday, July 25

10:00 AM – Bible Study - Room 2/5

Wednesday, July 26

10:15 AM – Holy Eucharist – Delta Retirement Center
6:30 PM - Holy Eucharist – St. Non Chapel

Thursday, July 27

7:00 PM – Community Band – Great Hall

Friday, July 28

9:00 AM – Holy Eucharist – St. Non Chapel

Sunday, July 30

8:00 AM – Holy Eucharist
10:30 AM - Holy Eucharist

OUTREACH DONATIONS FOR JULY & AUGUST

School Supplies & School Clothes for children
There is a large bin in the narthex for your contributions.

Thank you!

TODAY'S ASSISTING MINISTERS

8:00 AM

Greeters: Lar Carey, Becky Mason
Lay Readers: John Runcie
Prayer Minister: Jerry Williams

10:30 AM

Acolytes: Sydney Leinbach, Lainey LeRoy, Hannah Poirier
Altar Guild: Team 3
Coffee Hour: LeRoy family
Counters: Carol Abbott, Patrick Lynaugh
Greeters: Jason & Katie Gentry, Robert Breen
Lay Readers: Stephanie Cote', Craig Leinbach
Prayer Ministers: Kerry Chapin, Kay Paff

Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Larry & Wink Ewing in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

We ask that you keep in your prayers this week the following individuals and families: Michael & Debra Benoit, Steve & Toni Bolin, Robert Breen, Clair & Marsha Bretz, Pearl Brooks.

GRACE IN, GRACE OUT

The computer acronym GIGO — “garbage in, garbage out” — describes how putting the wrong code into a machine will lead to faulty output. Jesus offers a similar lesson in Matthew 15: “What comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person” (v. 18).

GIGO works the other way, too. If we put good things (including the good news of salvation) “in” our hearts, Jesus’ goodness will shine “out” through our lives. And

when God's grace enters and changes us, we'll also reach out and share that good news with others.



SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 28:10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place-- and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Psalms 139: 1-11, 22-23

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THE EPISTLE: Romans 8:12-25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of

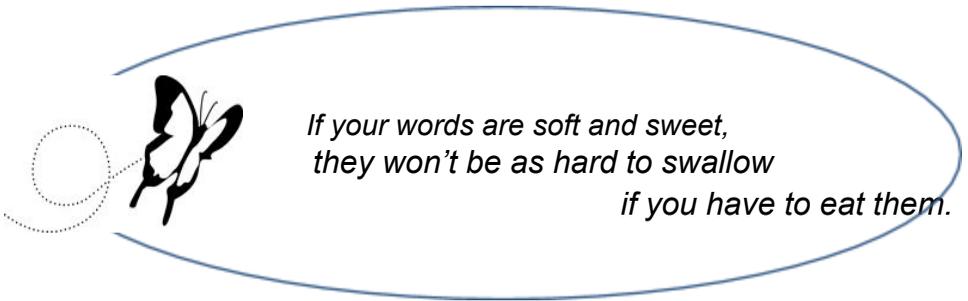
God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of

teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.
Let anyone with ears listen!"

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*If your words are soft and sweet,
they won't be as hard to swallow
if you have to eat them.*