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**E-Mail:** [washing54@gmail.com](mailto:washing54@gmail.com)**Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.****Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.****President:** Mr. Edwin Peeples**SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST****July 17, 2022****One Thing Needful****As We Gather**

Our prayers are filled with "just one more thing" that we ask of God. Crowded into the prayers of God's people are the manifold concerns and burdens of this mortal life. But from another perspective, it is not one more thing but one thing only. In the Gospel for today, we see the contrast between the many things occupying the attention and creating stress upon Martha and the one thing needful, which her sister, Mary, has recognized. It is this one thing to which we are called today, and it is the key to finding our way through the stresses, burdens, and concerns that complicate our lives of faith.

**PREPARATION****906 O Day of Rest and Gladness***sts. 1-3*

- 1 O day of rest and gladness,  
O day of joy and light,  
O balm of care and sadness,  
Most beautiful, most bright;  
This day the high and lowly,  
Through ages joined to bless,  
Sing, "Holy, holy, holy,"  
The triune God confess.
- 2 This day at earth's creation  
The light first had its birth;  
This day for our salvation  
Christ rose from depths of earth;  
This day our Lord victorious  
The Spirit sent from heav'n,  
And thus this day most glorious  
A threefold light was giv'n.

3 This day, God's people meeting,  
 His Holy Scripture hear;  
 His living presence greeting,  
 Through bread and wine made near.  
 We journey on, believing,  
 Renewed with heav'nly might,  
 From grace more grace receiving,  
 On this blest day of light.

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### Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

### Confession and Absolution

P Hide not Your face from me. Turn not Your servant away in anger,

**C O You who have been my help. Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation!**

*A time for silent reflection.*

P Let us confess our sins unto the Lord.

**C I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

P The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

P May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C Amen.**

## WORD

### Introit

*Psalm 119:57–60, 64; antiphon: v. 105*

Your word is a lamp | to my feet\*  
 and a light | to my path.  
 The LORD is my | portion;\*  
 I promise to | keep your words.  
 I entreat your favor with | all my heart;\*  
 be gracious to me according to your | promise.  
 When I think | on my ways,\*  
 I turn my feet to your testi- | monies;  
 I hasten and do | not delay\*  
 to keep your com- | mandments.  
 The earth, O LORD, is full of your | steadfast love;\*  
 teach me your | statutes!  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**  
 Your word is a lamp | to my feet\*  
 and a light | to my path.

### Salutation

P The Lord be with you.  
 C **And also with you.**

### Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.  
 O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
 C **Amen.**

### Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 18:1–14*

<sup>1</sup> The LORD appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth <sup>3</sup>and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, <sup>5</sup>while I bring a

morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.”<sup>6</sup>And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, “Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes.”<sup>7</sup>And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly.<sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup>They said to him, “Where is Sarah your wife?” And he said, “She is in the tent.”<sup>10</sup>The LORD said, “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him.<sup>11</sup>Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah.<sup>12</sup>So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?”<sup>13</sup>The LORD said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’<sup>14</sup>Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*Colossians 1:21–29*

<sup>21</sup>You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,<sup>22</sup>he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him,<sup>23</sup>if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

<sup>24</sup>Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ’s afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church,<sup>25</sup>of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known,<sup>26</sup>the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints.<sup>27</sup>To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.<sup>28</sup>Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.<sup>29</sup>For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 10:38–42*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

**C Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>38</sup>Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. <sup>39</sup>And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup>But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, <sup>42</sup>but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **507 Holy, Holy, Holy**

*sts. 1–3*

- 1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.
- 3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,  
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,  
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

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### **Sermon**

#### **Nicene Creed**

**C I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,**

**begotten, not made,  
 being of one substance with the Father,  
 by whom all things were made;  
 who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
 and was made man;  
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
 He suffered and was buried.  
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
 and ascended into heaven  
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and  
 the dead,  
 whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the Lord and giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and  
 glorified,  
 who spoke by the prophets.  
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Prayer of the Church**

**P** Let us pray to the Lord on behalf of all people and especially for the people of God and the saints in this place.

For the Lord to grant us the wisdom of faith to choose the one thing needful amid all that competes for our attention and loyalty, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the Lord to grant us knowledge of the mystery long hidden and revealed in Christ, that we may rejoice in our own salvation and be bearers of this Good News to the world at large, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For loving hearts, patience, and compassion, that we not speak harshly but with kindness, putting the best construction on all things, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For hospitality, that our homes be places of love and that our churches welcome new people with genuine affection in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For all pastors and church workers, that by their example they encourage us all to faithfulness and compassion, as the Lord has shown to us, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For peace among the nations, for an end to violence and hate, and for responsible leaders in government who will hearken to the voice of God's Word and serve us with justice and integrity, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For the sick, the suffering, the grieving, and the dying, [*especially . . .*], and all whom we name before the Lord in our hearts [*silence*], that God answer them with mercy, heal them in accordance with His will, and bring them to everlasting life, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For repentant hearts that we acknowledge God's goodness, offer Him thanks and praise, and use His gifts for the good of our neighbor, those in our care, and for the glory of His name, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For our Communion this day upon the body and blood of Christ, that we may approach the Lord's Table with faith and depart united, rejoicing in the blessed grace of this Sacrament, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen.**

## Offering

### Lord's Prayer

**C 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.**

### **Benedicamus**

P Let us bless the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

**C Amen.**

### **Dismissal**

P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **806 Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart**

1 Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
 Give thanks to the Holy One,  
 Give thanks because He's given  
 Jesus Christ His Son.  
 Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
 Give thanks to the Holy One,  
 Give thanks because He's given  
 Jesus Christ His Son.  
 And now let the weak say "I am strong,"  
 Let the poor say "I am rich,"  
 Because of what the Lord has done for us.  
 And now let the weak say "I am strong,"  
 Let the poor say "I am rich,"  
 Because of what the Lord has done for us.  
 Give thanks, give thanks.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME – A warm welcome to everyone!** If you are our GUEST, it is a pleasure to have you worshipping with us. **BLESSINGS!**

**PASTOR’S VACATION** – Pastor will be taking the month of July off, except for the second Sunday. We will change our Communion schedule for the month. Both the first and second Sundays will be Communion Sundays, none more for the month. Dr. Ramsey and Dr. Madison will fill in for Pastor on Sundays he is away.

### **VACATION WORSHIP SCHEDULE –**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday** – Dr. Ramsey

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday** – Pastor Washington

**3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays** – Dr. Madison

**“Thanks”** to Rev. Dr. McNair Ramsey for leading Sunday School and Worship Service for 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in July.

**“Thanks”** to Dr. Major Madison, Jr. who will serve as Worship Leader for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays in July.

**“Thanks”** to respective members of our Elder Board who will serve as Sunday School discussion leaders:

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – Mr. George Rhodes

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Mr. Gary Steen

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Mr. Eugene LeSure

**UPDATE**– New monitors and computer have been purchased. Our prayer is that everything would be back in order come August. **PRAISE GOD!**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY** –Mid-Week Bible Study will restart in August.

**SENIOR DAY OUT** – Senior Day Out will restart in August.

**VIRTUAL SERVICES** – Worship services will now be available via Zoom for those of you that are unable to attend the in-person worship services. The following link will be used for every service: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87066538071>. The meeting ID is 870 6653 8071. The bulletin for every worship service will be available on the church’s website.

**PRAYER HOUR** – Please join us each Saturday at 11 a.m. for prayer. Dial 1/681-999-0264; Access Code 391959#. Also, I invite you to go on our website and view our monthly newsletters and other information. On there you will also see a complete listing of prayer requests/concerns.

**BLACK MINISTRY FAMILY CONVOCATION** – Consider attending the Black Ministry Family Convocation this summer in Mobile, AL – July 27-30, 2022. See more detailed information on our website or the brochure on the hallway board.

**VERSE OF THE WEEK** – Each week there will be a different verse in the bulletin. Members are encouraged to memorize and meditate on the verses.

### ***VERSE OF THE WEEK – Isaiah 12:2 (K J V)***

*“Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid:  
for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song;  
he also is become my salvation.”*

### ***“Happy Birthday”***

*July 17<sup>th</sup> Shirley Griffin*

*July 17<sup>th</sup> Cheryl Sturdivant*

*July 17<sup>th</sup> Dr. McNair Ramsey*

*July 17<sup>th</sup> Crandall Sturdivant*

*July 23<sup>rd</sup> Steve Hubbard*

### ***“Happy Anniversary”***

*July 18<sup>th</sup> Mr. & Mrs. Joe Arnold*