Fifth Sunday after Trinity (Year A) (*July 5th 2026)*

Collect

Almighty God,
send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

34 [The servant] said, 'I am Abraham's
servant. 35 The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and
he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and
herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels
and donkeys. 36 And Sarah my master's wife bore a son
to my master when she was old; and he has given him
all that he has. 37 My master made me swear, saying,
"You shall not take a wife for my son from the
daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; 38 but
you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and
get a wife for my son."
42 'I came today to the spring, and said, "O LORD, the
God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make
successful the way I am going! 43 I am standing here by
the spring of water; let the young woman who comes
out to draw, to whom I shall say, 'Please give me a little
water from your jar to drink,' 44 and who will say to me,
'Drink, and I will draw for your camels also'—let her be
the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my
master's son."
45 'Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was
Rebekah coming out with her water-jar on her shoulder;
and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to
her, "Please let me drink." 46 She quickly let down her
jar from her shoulder, and said, "Drink, and I will also
water your camels." So I drank, and she also watered
the camels. 47 Then I asked her, "Whose daughter are
you?" She said, "The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son,
whom Milcah bore to him." So I put the ring on her
nose, and the bracelets on her arms.
48 Then I bowed my head and worshipped the LORD, and
blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who
had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of
my master's kinsman for his son. 49 Now then, if you will
deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if
not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand
or to the left.'
58 And they called Rebekah, and said to her, 'Will you go
with this man?' She said, 'I will.' 59 So they sent away
their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with
Abraham's servant and his men. 60 And they blessed
Rebekah and said to her, 'May you, our sister,
become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain
possession of the gates of their foes.' 61 Then Rebekah
and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and
followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and
went his way.
62 Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was
settled in the Negeb. 63 Isaac went out in the evening to
walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels
coming. 64 And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw
Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, 65 and said to
the servant, 'Who is the man over there, walking in the
field to meet us?' The servant said, 'It is my master.' So
she took her veil and covered herself. 66 And the servant
told Isaac all the things that he had done. 67 Then Isaac
brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took
Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So
Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

Romans 7:15-25a

15 I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do
what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. 16 Now if I do
what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. 17 But in
fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within
me. 18 For I know that nothing good dwells within me,
that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot
do it. 19 For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do
not want is what I do.
20 Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do
it, but sin that dwells within me. 21 So I find it to be a law
that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at
hand. 22 For I delight in the law of God in my inmost
self, 23 but I see in my members another law at war with
the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin
that dwells in my members. 24 Wretched man that I am!
Who will rescue me from this body of death? 25 Thanks
be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

16 'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like
children sitting in the market-places and calling to one
another, 17 "We played the flute for you, and you did
not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn."
18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they
say, "He has a demon"; 19 the Son of Man came eating
and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a
drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet
wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.
25 At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of
heaven and earth, because you have hidden these
things from the wise and the intelligent and have
revealed them to infants; 26 yes, Father, for such was
your gracious will. 27 All things have been handed over
to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except
the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son
and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.
28 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying
heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke
upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and
humble in heart, and you will find rest for your
souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**