The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



July 7, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to St. Augustine by-the-Sea Episcopal Church!

We are a spiritually engaged community, seeking the knowledge and love of God, and sharing that life-giving love with the world. We believe in following the teachings of Jesus Christ and see God at work in our faith-based questions, doubts and curiosity. Scripture reveals that God loves each and every one of us, no exceptions. As such, St. Augustine's is LGBTQIA+ welcoming and affirming.

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here!



If you are new or visiting, we invite you to introduce yourself by filling out the online Welcome form through this QR code. We look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have about St. A's.

Holy Eucharist July 7, 2024, 10:30AM

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, Rite Two

Prelude: "Prelude on Hyfrydol" by Gerhard Krapf

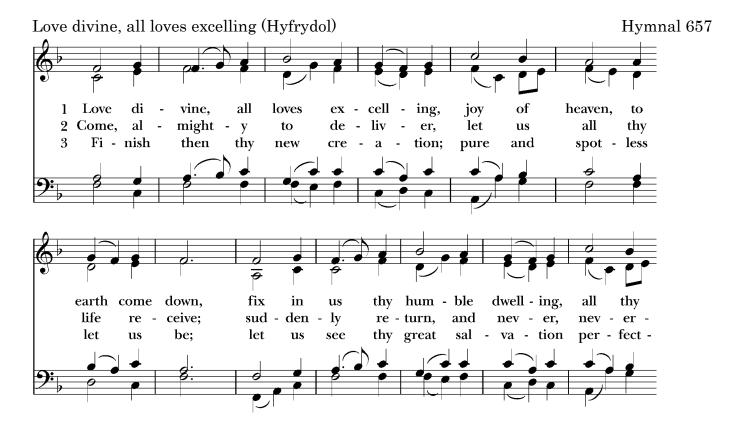
Greg Schreiner, Organ

The Word of God

Entrance Rite

(at the sound of the bell, all stand for the entrance of the ministers into the church)

ENTRANCE HYMN





OPENING ACCLAMATION

(the Celebrant says)

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

(the Celebrant says)

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.*

OPENING ANTHEM (sung three times)



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

(please sit for readings)

FIRST READING Ezekiel 2:1-5

A Reading from the book of Ezekiel.

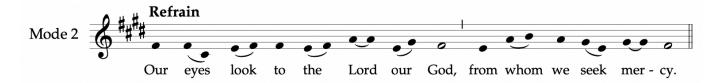
The LORD said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

(silence may follow)

PSALM: Psalm 123 (sung by a member of the choir, with Refrain sung by all)



¹To you I lift up my eyes, * to you enthroned in the heavens.

Refrain

²As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, * and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

³So our eyes look to the LORD our God, * until he show us his mercy.

Refrain

⁴Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, * for we have had more than enough of contempt,

⁵Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, * and of the derision of the proud.

Refrain

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

A Reading from Paul's Second letter to the Church in Corinth.

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger 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 weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

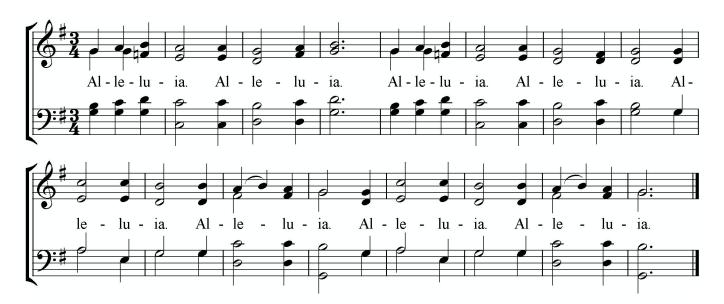
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People Thanks be to God.

(silence may follow)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"South African Alleluia" (stand and sing 3 times before and after the reading of the Gospel)



GOSPEL Mark 6:1-13

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON – The Rev. Nathan A. Rugh

(a moment of silence is observed)

THE NICENE CREED

(the Celebrant announces the Creed and the people stand)

We believe in one God,
the Father, the 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, the 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

O God, your grace is sufficient for us and your power is made perfect even in weakness. You behold our lives with compassion and justice and so we lift our eyes to you as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Blessed Creator, you have filled the world with beauty and our lives with precious freedom. Grant us a spirit of gratitude for all that we have in this nation. Keep us mindful of those whose lives are challenged and limited by oppression and poverty. Deliver us from the derision of the proud. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

You have claimed us for yourself and brought us close to your heart. Let your people rise to sing your praise as they align themselves with your mission. Keep us mindful of those whose hearts yearn for you and for those who are persecuted around the world in your name. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We thank you for bodies and minds, for friendships that nurture and challenge us. Keep us mindful of those who live in pain or fear or isolation. Strengthen our resolve to bring your love into their lives, to surround them with compassion. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for those we have known and loved, and who now are in your eternal embrace. Keep us mindful of those who are dying and keep alive the lessons of love we have learned from them. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all who have asked for or need our prayers, naming them either silently or aloud *(intercessions may be offered)*. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

(the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect)

Compassionate God, we come to you, aware that the prophet within each of us shrinks from your call. Give us the courage to speak and live the word of your Son, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

(the Celebrant says)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(silence may be kept)

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by 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.

(the Priest stands and says)

Almighty God have mercy on 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*.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

(then the ministers and the people greet one another in the name of the Lord)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2



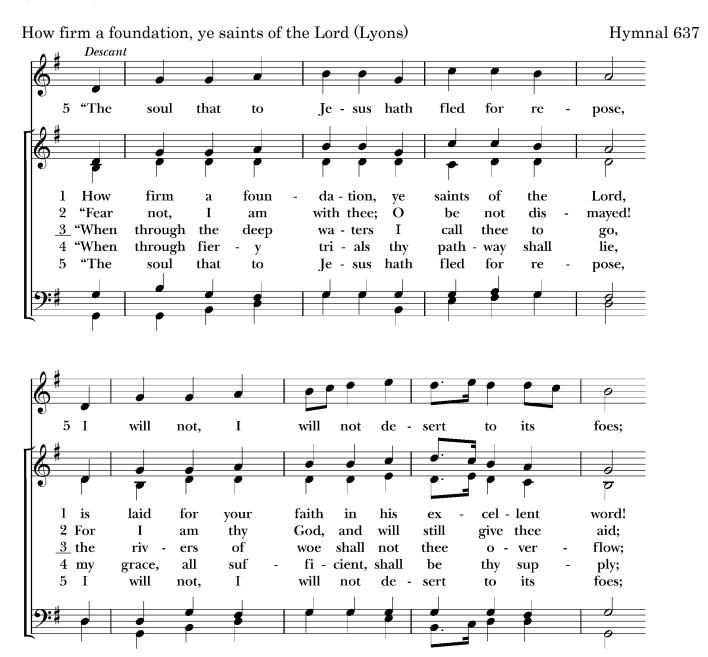
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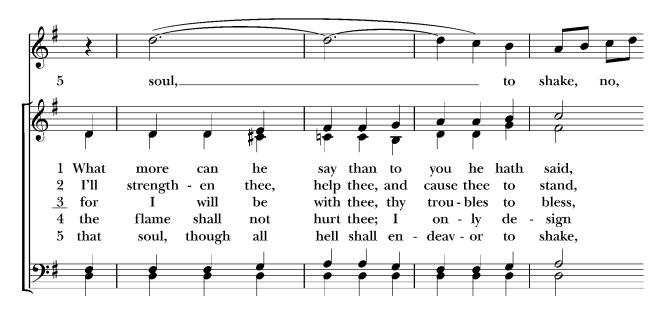
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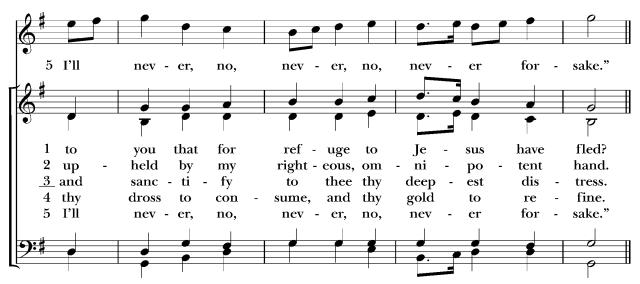
OFFERTORY ANTHEM - "Battle Hymn of the Republic"

(the people stand)

OFFERTORY HYMN







The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

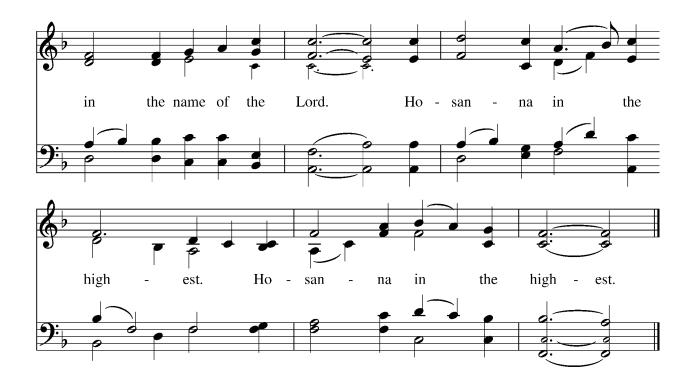
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(the Celebrant says)

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:





(the Celebrant continues)

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints,

from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. 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*

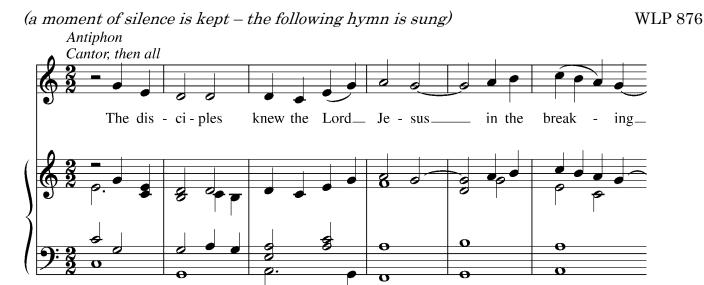
THE LORD'S PRAYER

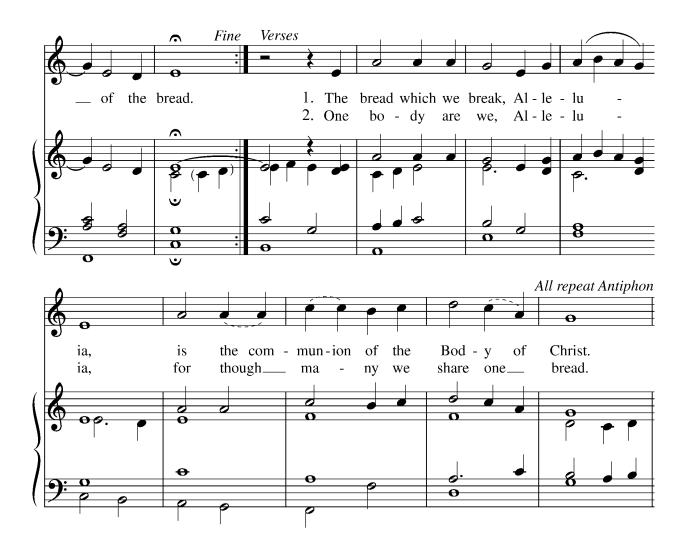
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People

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.

The Breaking of the Bread





INVITATION

(the Celebrant says)

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Wherever you are in your spiritual journey you are welcome at Christ's Table.

Invitation to Spiritual Communion for Online Worshippers

(The Book of Common Prayer reminds us that the simple desire to consume the consecrated elements is enough for God to grant all the benefits of communion.)

Celebrant Will all who are online, join in praying:

In union, Blessed Jesus with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, we believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. Since we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray you to come into our hearts. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen

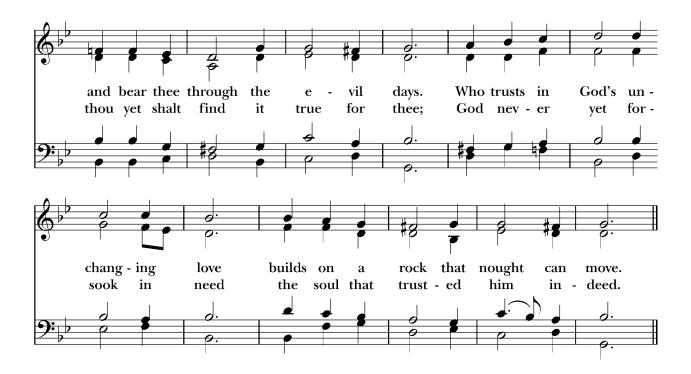
(All are welcome at Christ's table. To receive the bread, place one hand over the other. Gluten Free wafers are available upon request. To receive the wine, guide the cup to your lips for a small sip. We believe Christ is fully present in each element, so it is acceptable to receive bread only. If you would like a blessing from a priest instead of receiving communion, cross your arms over your chest.)

COMMUNION ANTHEM - "Steal Away" Traditional Spiritual arr. H. T. Burleigh

(please stand)

COMMUNION HYMN





POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

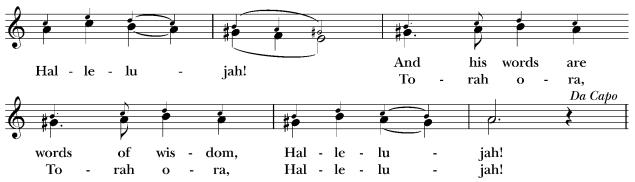
BLESSING

(the Celebrant blesses the people, saying)

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always. *Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN





[&]quot;Torah ora" is Hebrew for, "The Law is our Light."

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude: "Toccata and Variation on Hyfrydol"

Greg Schreiner, Organ

Key Announcements*

Wisdom of the Early Church Sunday Forums through July 14 9:20 – 10:10am

What can we learn from our tradition's earliest spiritual teachers? Join clergy to explore some of the church's ancient meditations on such themes as community, Eucharist, resurrection and more. Meets between services in the Sts. Francis & Clare room.

The Bee - Needlework & Crafts Group Sat. July 13, 10am – noon

Do you knit, crochet, embroider or enjoy other craft work? Come work on your project in community, sharing your passion for these arts. Whether you are a dabbler, expert or somewhere in between – or if you'd simply like to hang out with the group in the Sts Francis & Clare room. Questions? Email Carrie Price at carrie@saint-augustine.org

Wednesday Spirituality - July 10

8:30 – 9:00am, Market Mass, chapel John the Baptist (the Nativity)

9:30 – 10:30am – Bible Study on Zoom Sunday's Gospel Mark 5:21-43

7:00 – 8:00pm. Contemplative Prayer, chapel

*See St. A's weekly email for the full list of upcoming activities. If you aren't already receiving weekly news, email Carrie Price to sign up – carrie@saint-augustine.org

SAVE the DATE! August 18 – 10:30am service Church on the Beach

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