



May 2, 2021
Fifth Sunday of Easter



The flowers on the altar were given in memory of Willie and Charlotte Goetz.

Welcome

Opening Song

Sing alleluia to the Lord
Sing alleluia to the Lord
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia
Sing alleluia to the Lord

Jesus is risen from the dead...

Christ is the Lord of heaven and earth...

Alleluia. Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, you give us your Christ as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in Christ's resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

A Reading from the first letter of John.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

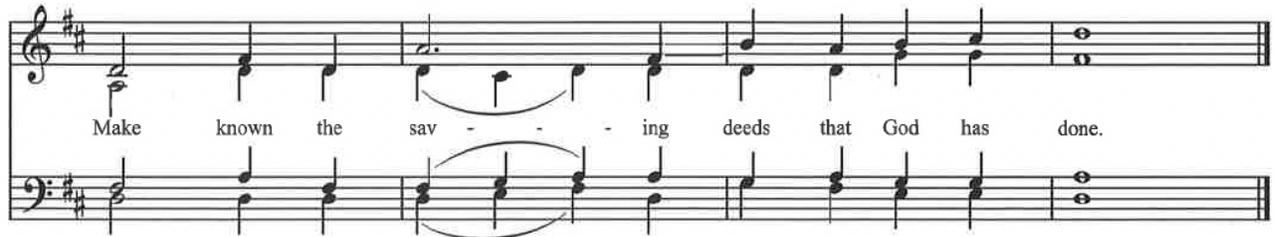
God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22

*Cantor sings the antiphon; **all repeat.***



My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"

All sing antiphon

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
For kingship belongs to the Lord; *
he rules over the nations.
To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

All sing antiphon

My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.
They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

All sing antiphon

Alleluia

cantor sings each line first, all repeat (f-c drone, bells ad lib)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia

Al - le - lu - ia

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff begins with a repeat sign. The first two staves have lyrics underneath: 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia'. The third staff has the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia'. The melody is a simple, melodic line with some rests and ties.

11th c. French chant "Ave Maria"

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John,
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. God removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit God prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon: The Rev. Mary Lynn Coulson

The Prayers of the People

Sing aloud, O mothers and sons!
Fathers and daughters, sisters and brothers,
rejoice and exult with all your hearts!
Let us offer our prayers and thanksgivings with one voice,
calling out the good news —
The tomb stands empty!

We look for our Savior among the living.
Jesus Christ is alive and in our midst today.

We pray for all faithful people —
for every human soul that turns to God in longing and in love.
Today and every day, pull us out of our graves and into your life.
The tomb stands empty.

We look for our Redeemer among the living.
Jesus Christ is alive and among us today.

We pray for the nations of the earth —
for those in authority, and for those under authority.
Come from the four winds, O Breath of Life,
and we shall live together in peace.
The tomb stands empty.

We look for our Mediator among the living.
Jesus Christ is alive and within us today.

We pray for this world, our garden home —
for the rain and the snow, the seed and the sprout —
for the birthing room and the last place of rest —
for every new creation.
The tomb stands empty.

We look for our Gardener among the living.
Jesus Christ is alive and beside us today.

We pray for those who are sick or suffering —
for anyone who needs extra help just now.
We pray especially for Derek, Gavin, and
those named here today, aloud and in our hearts...
(pause for names to be said or remembered) ...

Living Lord, renew them in Your love.
The tomb stands empty.

We look for our Sustainer among the living.
Jesus Christ is alive and with us today.

We pray for those who have died, and for all who mourn.
We pray especially for those named here today, aloud and in our hearts...
(pause for names) ...

Eternal One, bring them home and gather them in.
The tomb stands empty.

We look for our Beloved among the living.
Jesus Christ is alive and in the midst of us today.

With joy and exultation,
we give thanks for the triumph of life over death,
offering special thanks for those joys, sorrows,
challenges and delights named here today,
aloud and in our hearts... *(pause for thanksgivings) ...*

We are amazed at what has happened.
The tomb stands empty!

We look for our Creator among the living.
Jesus Christ is alive and in our hearts today.

Holy One, even before we call, you answer;
while we are yet speaking, you hear.
We offer up these prayers in the name of the Risen Christ —
our Savior, Redeemer, and Friend.
Amen.

~ written by Margaret D. McGee

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Birthday Blessing

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase. Bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand. Comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful. Raise them up if they fall. And in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Offerings standrewspb.org/give-to-st-andrews

Wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith you are welcome to receive the bread made holy.

The Eucharistic Prayer

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

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.**

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

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.

The bread is broken.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Let us take Christ within our bodies, and become the Body of Christ.

Please come forward to receive communion while maintaining a distance of six feet from others.

Communion Music

Oh how I love you,
Gentlest of Ways
Who ripens us as we wrestle with you

On the day that you made us
You created Yourself
And we grew sturdy in your sunlight

The great homesickness we could never shake off
The forest that always surrounded us
You, the song that we sang within every silence
The dark net threading through
I love You

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Songwriters: Gungor

The Post-Communion Prayer

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.

The Blessing

Holy eternal Majesty,
Holy incarnate Word,
Holy abiding Spirit,
Bless you for evermore. **Amen.**

The Sending Song

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens Lord, with me abide
When other helpers fail and comforts flee
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away
Change and decay in all around I see
O Thou who changest not, abide with me

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness
Where is death's sting?
Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me
Abide with me, abide with me

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Announcements

Reading the Bible: Where do I start??

Sunday, May 2, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

The Bible is a beautiful, complex invitation to a deeper life of faith. Want to read the Bible, but not sure where to begin? Come get some practical tips for how to start reading the Bible for personal prayer, reflection, and growth. Bring your questions, and a Bible - if you have one! If not, come pick one up on Sunday. We will talk about strategies for interpreting scripture, resources for more information, and more. See you after church!

Muslim Awareness Event: Learn about Islam and Ramadan

Thursday, May 6, 6 p.m.

You're invited to attend a virtual event to meet our Muslim neighbors. The Islamic Center of San Diego, San Diego's largest mosque, is just 4 miles away from Pacific Beach. The PB Interfaith Coalition invites you to learn about the meaning of Ramadan and join in the breaking of the fast. \$5 donation suggested. Register:

eventbrite.com/e/muslim-awareness-event-tickets-151154612515

Become a Member of St. Andrew's

Is St. Andrew's your spiritual home? Make it official and become a church member! Being a member of a church is one way to put down roots in this place, and to make your mark on this community of faith. Talk to Mother Mary Lynn if you would like more information: marylynn.standrewspb@gmail.com.

Interested in Baptism or Confirmation?

Are you or someone you know interested in getting baptized? Or, are you already baptized but interested in officially becoming an Episcopalian? Our bishop, Susan Brown Snook, will visit St. Andrew's on June 13 and will administer the sacraments of baptism and confirmation. Contact Mother Mary Lynn for more information:

marylynn.standrewspb@gmail.com.

June 13 Celebration & Tacos

We're going to have tacos out on the lawn after church on Sunday, June 13! We're celebrating our new ministry with Mother Mary Lynn. We're hosting the Rt. Rev. Susan Brown Snook for her annual Episcopal visitation. We're having baptisms, confirmations, and lots of beautiful liturgy. And, it will also be our first service inside the church in over one year! So tell your friends and neighbors and come have tacos after church.

Women's Bible Study

Join us Wednesday at 9am at the park outside the PB library, across the street from St. Andrew's! Kids are welcome. Email marylynn@standrewspb.org to join. The Women's Bible study is reading *Inspired* by Rachel Held Evans, a book about "loving the Bible again."

The Realities of Homelessness

Sunday, May 23, 11 - 12:30pm

Bring a sack lunch, your favorite beverage and come to eat, drink and be educated! Caryn Blanton, executive director of Shoreline Community Services, will share about homelessness in our community. Masks and social distancing required. No registration necessary. Questions? Contact Caryn: 858-900-7024

Youth Group

The Beach Cities Youth Collaborative meets every Sunday night 7-8 pm on Zoom! Join us tonight! Email Kari Robinson for more info: family.standrewspb@gmail.com

Name Badges

Do you want a St. Andrew's name badge to wear on Sundays so others know your name? We would love to provide you with one. Churches that encourage name badge wearing grow! Please contact Anne Cass to order: annedcass@gmail.com.

Donations Wanted for Teen Migrants

Our diocese is caring for the 1,400+ unaccompanied teens currently housed in the convention center. If you would like to support the kids, please pick up a few of the items below and contact Deann Rios, drios@edsd.org, for drop-off information.

- New clothing: especially small/medium-sized jackets, sweatshirts or long-sleeved tops, pants, and shoes/slippers
- New blankets
- Toiletries - soap/body wash, shampoo/conditioner, toothpaste/toothbrush, hair brushes
- Clear containers with lids to store items under their beds - approx. 29"x 17"x 6".

Shop and Support St Andrew's

Our church has a ridiculously long name on Amazon. It is: "Rector Wardens & Vestrymen of St Andrews By Sea Episcopal Parish SD" and if you find it and select it when shopping, Amazon gives us a donation. Please visit smile.amazon.com to set up your shopping donations, at no cost to you.