

Welcome to  
**St. John's Episcopal Church**  
Chula Vista, CA

**The Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Mother's Day**

**May 8, 2022  
9:00 am**



*No matter who you are or where you are on your spiritual journey,  
you are welcome here*

## Lighting of Altar Candles

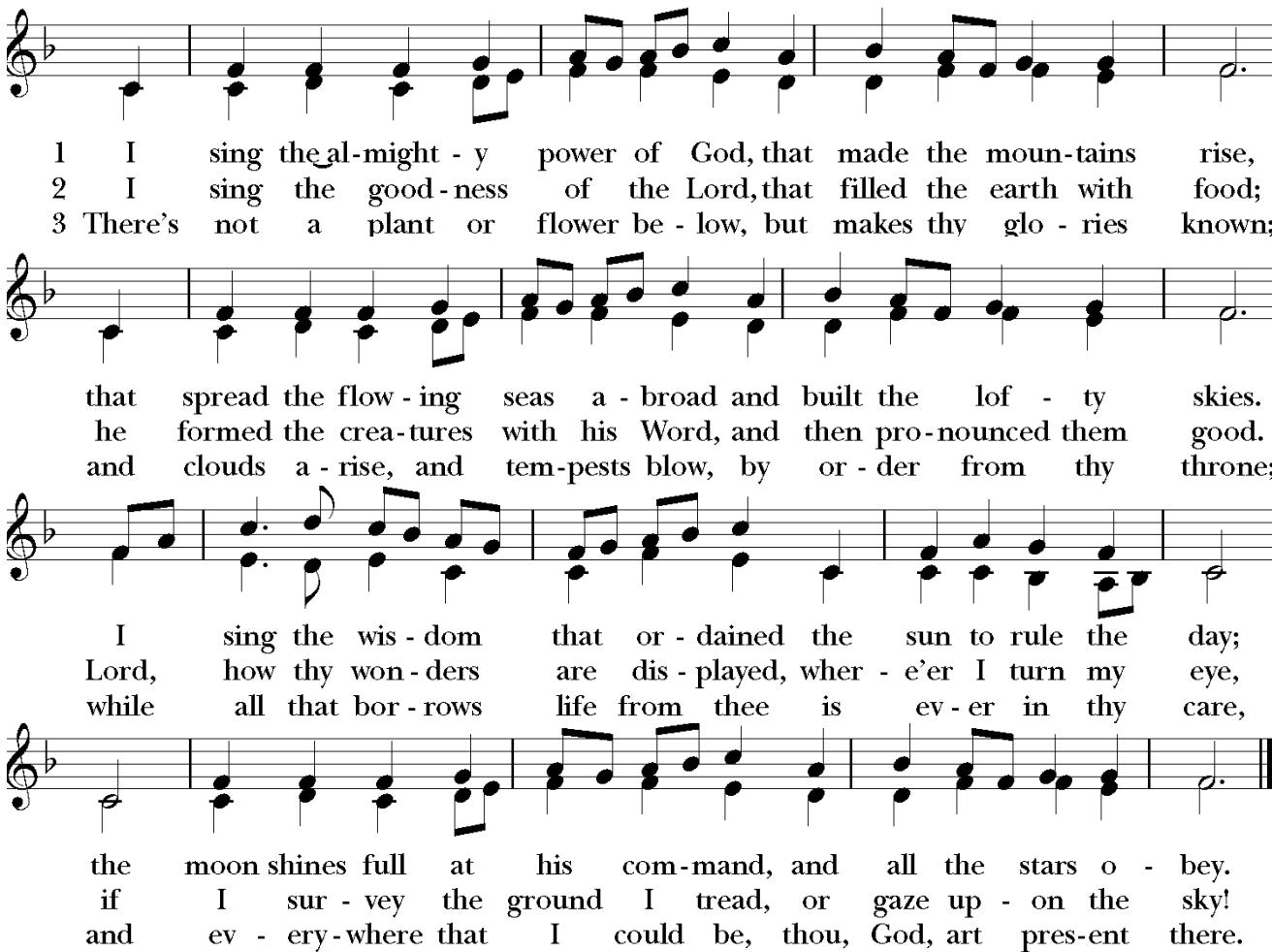
### Prelude

### Welcome

### Processional Hymn

### *I Sing the Almighty Power of God*

Hymnal 398



1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,  
2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;  
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.  
he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.  
and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;

I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;  
Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,  
while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
if I sur -vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

### Salutation

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia***

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.***

## The Gloria

## Gloria in Excelsis

## Hymnal S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly

King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - - ly Spi - rit, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

## The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

### A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 23                    *Dominus regit me*

The Lord is my shepherd;

**I shall not be in want.**

He makes me lie down in green pastures

**and leads me beside still waters.**

He revives my soul

**and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.**

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;

**for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;

**you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.**

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

**and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

## A Reading from the Book of Revelation

Revelation 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual *Celtic Alleluia*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
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## The Gospel

John 10:22-30

*Presider* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon**

**Anthem**

**Prayer of Blessing for Mother's Day**

**The Nicene Creed**

***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**

*Presider*      Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.   We pray,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.   We pray,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.   We pray,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We pray,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Give grace to all mothers and those women who have nurtured and loved us, and grant that the love they share may be a sign of God's presence dwelling in us. We pray,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Muriel Kulikowski, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. We pray,

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Together let us pray for those who risk their lives to ensure our freedom, to heal, protect, comfort, and keep us safe,

***Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces, first responders, medical professionals, essential workers and their families. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and challenges; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

*Presider* Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***

## **The Confession**

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***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.***

*Presider* 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

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* ***And also with you.***

## Birthday, Anniversary and Traveler Prayers

### The Offertory

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Your generous offering helps us to continue the mission and ministry of the parish.*

### Offertory Anthem

#### Doxology



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here be - low;



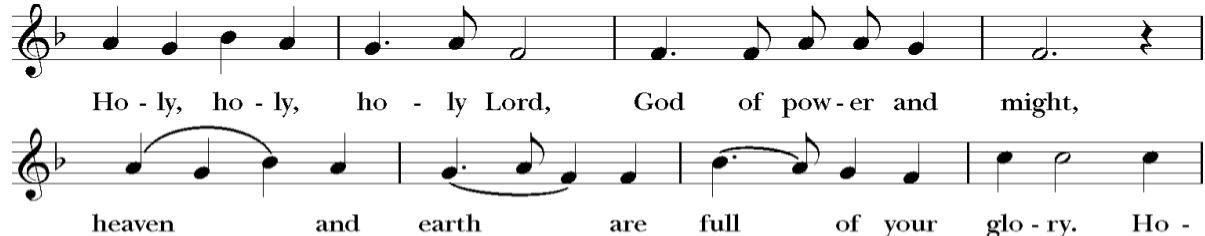
Praise him a - bove, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A-men.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Presider* The Lord be with you.  
*People* ***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.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father

*We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

*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 Breaking of the Bread**

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* ***therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God

### **Communion**

#### **Spiritual Communion**

I invite all who are watching our liturgy online to receive Christ spiritually. Let us pray together:

*Lord Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. We are grateful to know there are many ways to experience your presence, but in whatever way we do, we know you come into our hearts, minds and souls. Unite my heart with those of my family of faith gathered to celebrate the great meal of thanksgiving and make us all one with you. May this spiritual communion strengthen my faith and grant me confidence in your loving care now and forever. Amen.*

### **Prayer After Communion**

*Presider* Let us pray

*Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **The Blessing**

*Presider* May God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. ***Amen.***

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

## Recessional Hymn

*Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing* Hymnal 205, vs. 1, 3, 4, & 5

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!  
Now is the  
Praise we in songs of victory  
that love, that  
Your Name we bless, O Iris en Lord,  
and sing to -  
To God the Fa - ther, God the Son,  
to God the  
tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:  
life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:  
day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:  
Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## The Dismissal

*Presider* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Postlude

***You are all invited to attend the Creation Care Forum in Nale Hall.***

### Liturgical Ministers

**Presider/Preacher**

Rev. Roger Haenke

**Readers/Prayers**

Judy Butcher, Bill Gustafson

**Psalmist/Vocalists**

St. John's Choir: Jeff Bates, Tom Brzeczek,

Alice Burnham, Pamela Brittain, Denise Eddleman,  
Jane Ferguson, Lucy Ferguson, Ted Garcia,  
Joe and Maria Love, Marge Moore,  
Chelsey Nyaradi, Nancy Painter and Leslie Parker

**Organist**

Cheryl Seppala

**Acolytes**

Scott Bricknell, Malia Attaway, Marge Moore

**Ushers**

David and Linda Dennehy

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Celia Vasquez, Iris Atkins, Debbie Lothspeich

**Livestream**

Cliff Berkowitz, Jamie Attaway

### Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers are given in memory of Muriel Kulikowski.

## St. John's Mission Statement

St. John's is a Christian community that intentionally gathers to experience God's love through Episcopal worship, education, fellowship, and ministry to the wider community.

### St. John's Prayer Lists

*Today and every day include some time for prayer, for yourself, for your church family, and for those in need.*

#### For Our Military

Matt Jensen, Drew Shorkey, Cody Crossland, Cameron Ronie, Chariti Paden, Mark Stanfield, Sean Robinson, Jonathan Martinez, TK Nguyen, Christopher Lindshield, Timothy Lindshield, Jeremy Colton, David Sanchez, Jonathan Baldera, Nick Wyatt, Jamal Warner, Matt Hernandez, Daniel Getreu, Devon Strunk, Taylor Harrold, Jorge Zuazua, Katherine Milam, Sebastian Morales, Richie Lebron, Andrew C. Dugger, Dan and Chelsey Nyaradi, Ryan Lothspeich, and Roberto Johnson and the crew of USS Essex.

#### For Strength in Time of Need

Scott Hunter, Steve Magill, Gary and Shirley McCarren, Ann Lindshield, the McClure family, Christy and Mike Gollihur, Linda Longoria-Neff, David Dennehy, Akiko Horst, Barbara Oliveira, Norma Dunn and Dominick Smith and his family.

For the repose of the soul of Muriel Kulikowski

*Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord;  
And let light perpetual shine upon her.*

*May her soul and the souls of all the departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

*(Names are kept on the Prayers List for 4 weeks and should be submitted by Wednesday.  
If you wish to add a name, please email Maria Love at: [maria@saint-johns.org](mailto:maria@saint-johns.org).)*



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