

# HARCOURT PARISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## MAY 9, 2021      SEASON OF EASTER

### Prelude

### Opening Sentence

Officiant: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Response: The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!

### Gloria #S 280 Sung together muted

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

## Collect of the Day

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## First Reading, Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 98, Tone S415 Hymnal 1982

*The Psalm is chanted responsively: 2 verses by the cantor, then 2 verses by the people (muted).*

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1 Sing to the Lord a new song, \*  
for he has done marvelous things.

2 With his right hand and his holy arm \*  
has he won for himself the victory.

3 *The Lord has made known his victory; \*  
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.*

4 *He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, \*  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.*

5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; \*  
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, \*  
with the harp and the voice of song.

7 *With trumpets and the sound of the horn \*  
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.*

8 *Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, \*  
the lands and those who dwell therein.*

9 Let the rivers clap their hands, \*  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.

10 In righteousness shall he judge the world \* and the peoples with equity.

## **Second Reading, 1 John 5:1-6**

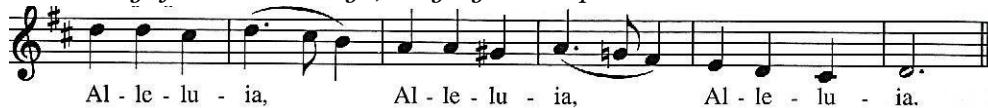
Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

## **Alleluia Tract #848, *Wonder Love and Praise* stand as you are able**

*Cantor sings first time through, congregation repeats twice.*



## **The Gospel, John 15:9-17**

*Reader:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*All:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

*Reader:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*All:* Praise to you, O Christ.

## **The Sermon**

**Hymnal 1982 #525 "The Church's one foundation"**

1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,  
4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war  
5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,

1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:  
2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;  
4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;  
5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.

1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"  
4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long-ing eyes are blessed,  
5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.  
3 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
4 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.  
5 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

**The Nicene Creed** *said together muted, stand as you are able*

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.

**Prayers of the People** *Leader and People pray responsively*

Let us confidently bring before God the needs of our world and ask God for renewal, saying: “The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!”

The apostles received the Holy Spirit and the grace to lighten the burdens of one another's lives. May the church be faithful in this gift. May all the baptized live with abundant compassion, especially for those shut out from society. We pray for agencies of service. Alleluia, Christ is risen,

*People      The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia.*

Christ calls us blest who have not seen, yet believe. May more and more of God's people, and all the created order, become signs of the resurrection in the world, and may our faith give courage to the doubting. Alleluia, Christ is risen,

*People      The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia.*

We are strengthened by Christ's resurrection to share the power of the Spirit with all the suffering. We pray for those in any need. May the power of Christ's resurrection give life to all who have little reason to hope. Alleluia, Christ is risen,

*People      The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia.*

For all who have died and all who mourn, that death may have no more power over us and that grief will turn to consolation. Alleluia, Christ is risen,

*People      The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia.*

May that morning star which never sets, Christ our light, find us burning with charity until the world is enlightened with love. Alleluia, Christ is risen,

*People      The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

*Hymnal 1982 #460 “Alleluia! sing to Jesus”*



1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the  
\*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we  
3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the  
\*5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the



1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the  
2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is  
3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the  
4 Lord of lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! born of  
5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the



1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the  
2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the  
3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -  
4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -  
5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the



1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a  
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty  
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,  
 4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our  
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 mighty - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery  
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his  
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the  
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and  
 5 mighty - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898) Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

### **Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven,  
    hallowed be your Name,  
    your kingdom come,  
    your will be done,  
        on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
    as we forgive those  
        who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
    and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
    and the glory are yours,  
    now and for ever. Amen.

### **Blessing**

May Almighty 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.  
May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.  
May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.  
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*

### **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant*    Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!  
*People*        Thanks be to God, Alleluia! Alleluia!

### **Postlude**

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## Prayer List

For Those Who Do God Work: Clarke, Jess (in discernment) \* Alex (seminarian) \*  
Cuttington University \* Episcopal Relief and Development \* Winter Sanctuary \* A Hand  
at Home \* HopeNow \* Freedom Center \* New Directions \* Head Start \* Hospice \*  
Humane Society \* Interchurch \* Habitat for Humanity \* NAMI

For the Sick/in Need: Addie, Andrew & Loretta, April & Kent & Rhen, Ben, Bill & Loni,  
Bruce, Carlos & Barbara, Carol, Chester, Clayton, Clifford, Colleen, David, Earl, Elda,  
Harry, Holden & Jenna & Alex, Hunter, Jack, Jane, Jayne & LeGrand, Joey, Julia,  
Justin, Kevin, Laurie, Leon, Lewis, Lori & Donna, Maddie, Marc & Family, Mary, Mary,  
Meg, Mike, Nicholas, Pam, Pat & Bill, Phil, Roger, Sharon, Sher, Stacey, Teri, Theresa,  
Tim, Tina, Tony, Trish, Veronica

For Those Who Have Died: Richard Tobin

## Announcements

In-person Services Weekly in-person services are Wednesdays at 12:15pm (inside) and  
Sundays at 4:30pm (outside). Reservations are encouraged and schedule is subject to change.

Canterbury Events Sundays 8pm--Night Prayers and Check-in; Wednesdays 8pm--Bible Study.  
Zoom: 496 561 5003.

Evening Prayer Gather online at 5pm Monday through Friday.

Centering Prayer Gather online at 4:30pm Wednesday.

Virtual Pastoral Support Your priest can be reached using her direct office phone number:  
740-427-5353. Please leave a voice message and she will return your call.

*Harcourt Parish, a historic Episcopal congregation, is a prayerful, thoughtful, serving  
community. We worship in the Church of the Holy Spirit, the chapel of Kenyon College. Fed  
here by Word and Sacrament, we go out—some to the college, some to the village and county,  
some to the larger Church and world—as heralds of Christ’s peace and love.  
We joyfully practice the Episcopal Church’s Baptismal Covenant, which calls us to “respect the  
dignity of every human being.” Seeker or believer or both or neither, from the Kenyon  
Community or beyond, straight or LGBTQ+, single or partnered, married or divorced,  
progressive or conservative or apolitical, of any ability, of any racial or ethnic or national  
identity—you are welcomed as part of God’s diverse creation.*

Texts from the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer*.

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