

HAPPY
Mother's Day



Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 11th, 2025
Father Garry Edwards, Celebrant
8:30 Service
10:30 Service

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. *1 Corinthians 15:57*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 1982 Hymnal #205 Good Christians All Rejoice and Sing, sung at 10:30 am

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: 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.*

GLORIA S278: “Glory to God”, SAID

***Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.***

***Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.***

***Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.***

***For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

The celebrant then continues.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY, please see insert

THE FIRST LESSON: Acts 9:36-43, please see insert

 The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23, please see insert

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE SECOND LESSON: Revelation 7: 9-17

 The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL HYMN: 1982 Hymnal #645 The King of Love my
Shepherd is, sung at 10:30 am**

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 10: 22-30

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

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Father Garry Edwards

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

The Leader and People pray responsively

With all our heart and all our mind let us pray to the Lord, saying,
“Lord, have mercy.”

Silence

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls:

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace and welfare of the world, for the witness and work of the Church, and for the unity of all peoples:

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishops and all ministers of God’s Word and Sacraments, that they may be filled with truth and love and be found without fault at the Lord’s coming:

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the leaders of the nations for those in authority among us, that they may serve justice and promote the freedom and dignity of all peoples:

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice and oppression, and for all who labor in the cause of human liberation and fulfillment:

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the sick, the suffering, the sorrowful, and the dying; and for all who remember and care for them.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from the ravages of hurricane, earthquake, drought or flood, and for a just and proper use of God's creation:

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For ourselves and all who confess the name of Christ, that we may show forth the excellencies of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light:

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Silence may kept.

ALL: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people in the multitude of your mercies. Look with compassion on us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O Lord of love, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister 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 ABSOLUTION

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.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Hebrews 13: 15, 16

OFFERTORY HYMN: Come Behold the Wonderous Mystery. Song by Matt Papa. 2013. Used by permission CCLI #22036974, sung at 10:30 am

OFFERTORY HYMN: Come Behold the Wonderous Mystery

Come, behold the wondrous mystery
In the dawning of the king
He the theme of Heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness
Now, the light of life has come
Look to Christ who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

Come, behold the wondrous mystery
He is the perfect son of man
In His living, in His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ, the great and sure fulfilment
Of the law in Him, we stand

Come, behold the wondrous mystery
Christ, the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured, love untold

Come, behold the wondrous mystery
Slain by death, the God of life
But no grave could ever restrain Him
Praise the Lord, He is alive
What a foretaste of deliverance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when He comes

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DOXOLOGY, verse 3 #380, said at 8:30 and sung at 10:30 am
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia!

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II

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.***

Celebrant proceeds:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

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:

SANCTUS S128 : “Holy, holy, holy”, SAID

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

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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

Celebrant: Alleluia Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia*

FRACTION ANTHEM S170: “Whoever Eats this Bread”, SAID

*Whoever eats this bread will live forever.
This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.
Whoever believes in me shall not hunger or thirst, for the bread which I give for the life of the world is my flesh.*

Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All: *Jesu my God I thee adore, O make me love you more and more.*

At the Communion

- *All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Holy Communion.*
- *All are welcome to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.*
- *Gluten free wafers are available. Indicate by crossing fingers.*

COMMUNION HYMN: Psalm 62, on following pages, sung at 10:30 am

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: 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; thought Christ our Lord. Amen.

EASTER 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. ***Amen.***

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. ***Amen.***

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. ***Amen.***

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. ***Amen.***

COMMUNION HYMN: Psalm 62, Song by Stuart Townend. 2007. Used by permission CCLI #22036974

Like an Irish hymn ♩ = 72

§ VERSE



1. My _ soul finds rest in
rest my soul in
set my gaze on



God a-lone, my _ rock and my sal - va - tion, a _ for-tress strong a - gainst my foes, and _
God a-lone a - mid the world's temp - ta - tions. When _ e - vil seeks to take a hold, I'll _
God a-lone, and _ trust in Him com - plete-ly, with _ ev-'ry day pour out my soul; and _



I will not be sha - ken. Though _ lips may bless, and hearts may curse, and _ lies, like ar - rows,
cling to my sal - va - tion. Though _ rich-es come, and rich - es go, don't _ set your heart up -
He will prove His mer - cy. Though _ life is but a fleet - ing breath, a _ sigh too deep to



pierce - me, I'll _ fix my heart on right-cous-ness; I'll _ look to Him who hears
on _ them. The _ fields of hope in which I sow are _ har-vest - ed in heav -
meas - ure, my _ King has crushed the curse of death, and _ I am His for - ev -

CHORUS



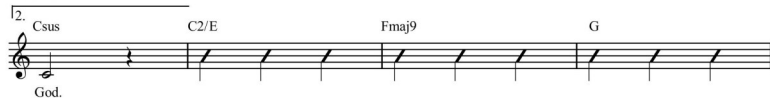
me. } O _ praise Him, hal - le - lu - jah, my De - light and my Re -
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To Coda ◊ 1.



ward. Ev - er - last - ing, nev - er fail - ing; my Re - deem - er, my God. 2. Find _

2 BRIDGE



God.



3. I'll _

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CODA

Chord progression: C2, G, C2/E, Fmaj9, C2

Lyrics: God. And O, — praise Him, hal - le - lu - jah, my De - light and my Re -

Chord progression: Fmaj9, G, C2/E, Fmaj9, Dm9, G

Lyrics: ward. Ev - er - last - ing, nev - er fail - ing; my Re - deem - er, my

Chord progression: C2

Lyrics: God. O — *p*

Chord progression: Fmaj9 *grad. cresc.*, Am7, Gsus, Fmaj9

Lyrics: praise Him, O — praise Him, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah! O —

Chord progression: Am7, Gsus, Fmaj9 *mf*

Lyrics: praise Him, O — praise Him, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah! O —

Chord progression: *grad. cresc.*, Am7, Gsus, Fmaj9 *f*

Lyrics: praise Him, O — praise Him, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah! O —

CHORUS

Chord progression: G, C2/E, Fmaj9, C2, Fmaj9, G, C2/E

Lyrics: praise Him, hal - le - lu - jah, my De - light and my Re - ward. Ev - er - last - ing, nev - er

Chord progression: Fmaj9, Dm9, G, C2 (first ending), C2 (second ending)

Lyrics: fail - ing; my Re - deem er, my God. And O, — God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: 1982 Hymnal # 708 Savior like a Shephard Lead Us

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

The flowers on the altar are given in honor of the Mothers and the role they play in God's plan - with special love for Juanita Brown and Jackie Blythe by Joe and Fiona Brown

St. Mark's Prayer List

We lift up the following in heartfelt prayer:

Marion Johannsson, Mary Zacharias, Beth Hunt, Marsha Phillips, Saunders Black, Iris Flamer, Martha Ann Springer, Barbara Osburn, Michael Marecheau, Paul and Michelle Cravetz, Brian Paynter, Angela Worme, Michael Queen, Lisa Johnson, Debbie & Scott James, Jennifer Jago, Curtis Crawford, Kelly Jordan, Sheila Forbis, Brenda Duke, Lesli Kathman, Debbie Heggen, Maureen Pollard, John Osborne, Nancy Matthews, Margaret Hans, Jerry Vanevenhoven, Nancy Whitehead, and Kim Summerow.

We continue to pray for the success and growth of the following ministries La Escuelita San Marcos, Ranson Middle School, and Flyin' Lion Ministries.

We pray for those in our parish celebrating happy events: Bella Grace Rhinehardt, Elizabeth Thompson, Bob Weeks, Catherine Summers, Andrew Ancona, Father Garry, and Karen and Rick Cardenas.

Giving Form



Announcements May 11th, 2025

Interested in Serving on the Altar Guild?– Join us! The altar guild is looking for new members, especially those available to serve at the 10:30 service. Contact Fiona (febb1960@gmail.com) or Doreen (dmondlak32@gmail.com) if interested!

Want a way to honor or celebrate?– Sign up for a flower dedication! The 2025 calendar is up in the church office. Pick a Sunday, sign up, make a donation to the church for \$50, and send the dedication to emeliec@stmarksnc.org for the bulletin. Thank you to all those who already support our flower ministry!

Interested in Getting to Know the Women of the Church?– Join us for WINE (Women in Need of Entertainment), May 19th 6:30pm, hosted by Malinda Bivens & Julie Hornsby in the Rafter. Please bring something to share, wine and/or wine.

Financial Update Meeting- Please join us on May 18th between the services, as we give an update on the first four months of 2025. The monthly financial summary sheet, which will include YTD through the end of April, will be available.

Fundraising Committee– Calling all volunteers! In order to help plan events, the Vestry is putting together a fundraising committee, under the leadership of Dawn Middleton. If you are interested in helping with the committee or have ideas please contact Dawn Middleton at dmiddleton809@gmail.com or 704-975-7995.

Schedule Announcements:

- ◇ May 25th, single service at 9:30am
- ◇ June 1st, two services 8:30 Holy Eucharist & 10:30 Youth Sunday
- ◇ June 8th, Wear orange in honor of gun violence prevention day on June 6th.