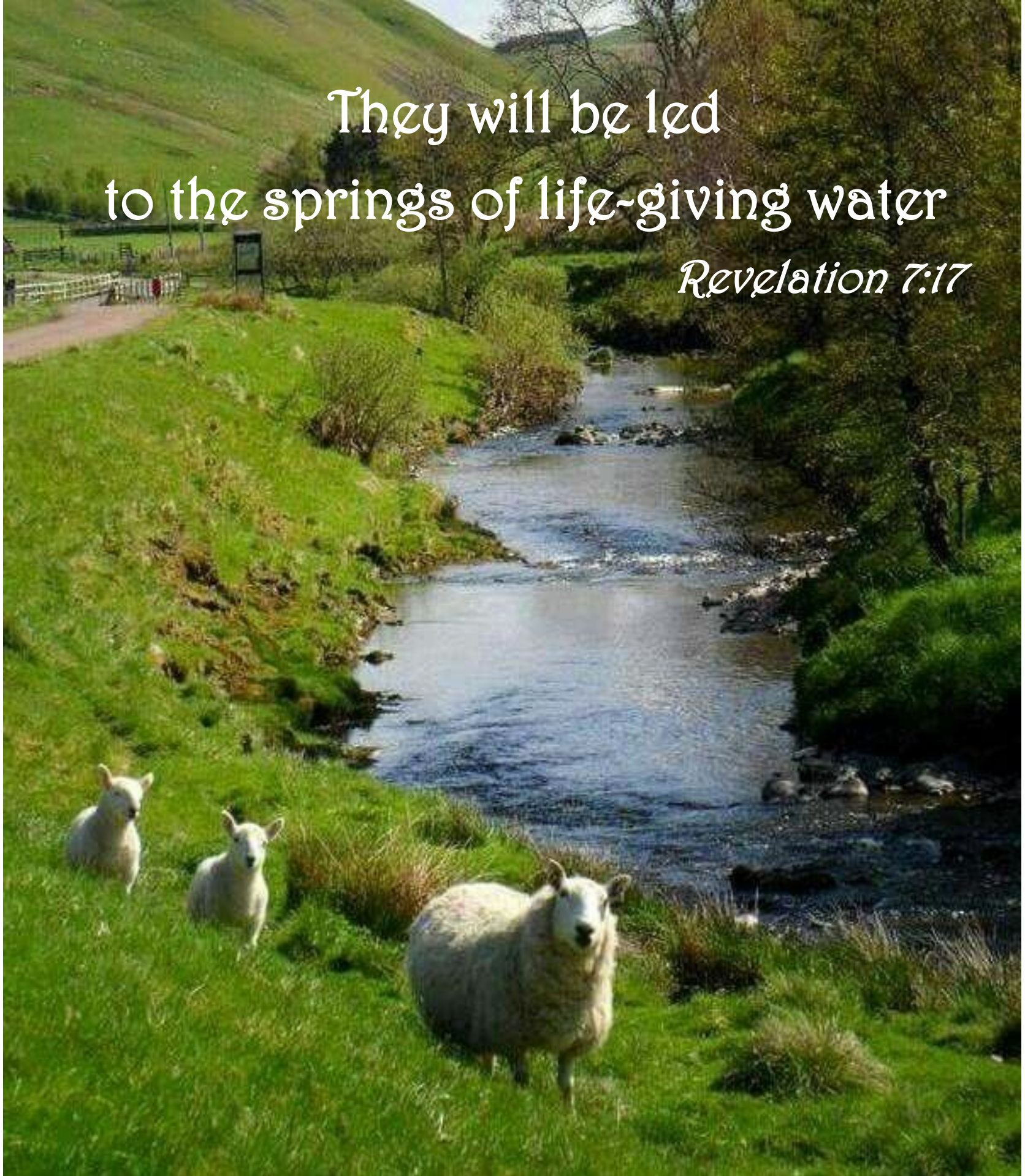


All Angels Episcopal Church

8 & 10:00 Sunday Morning

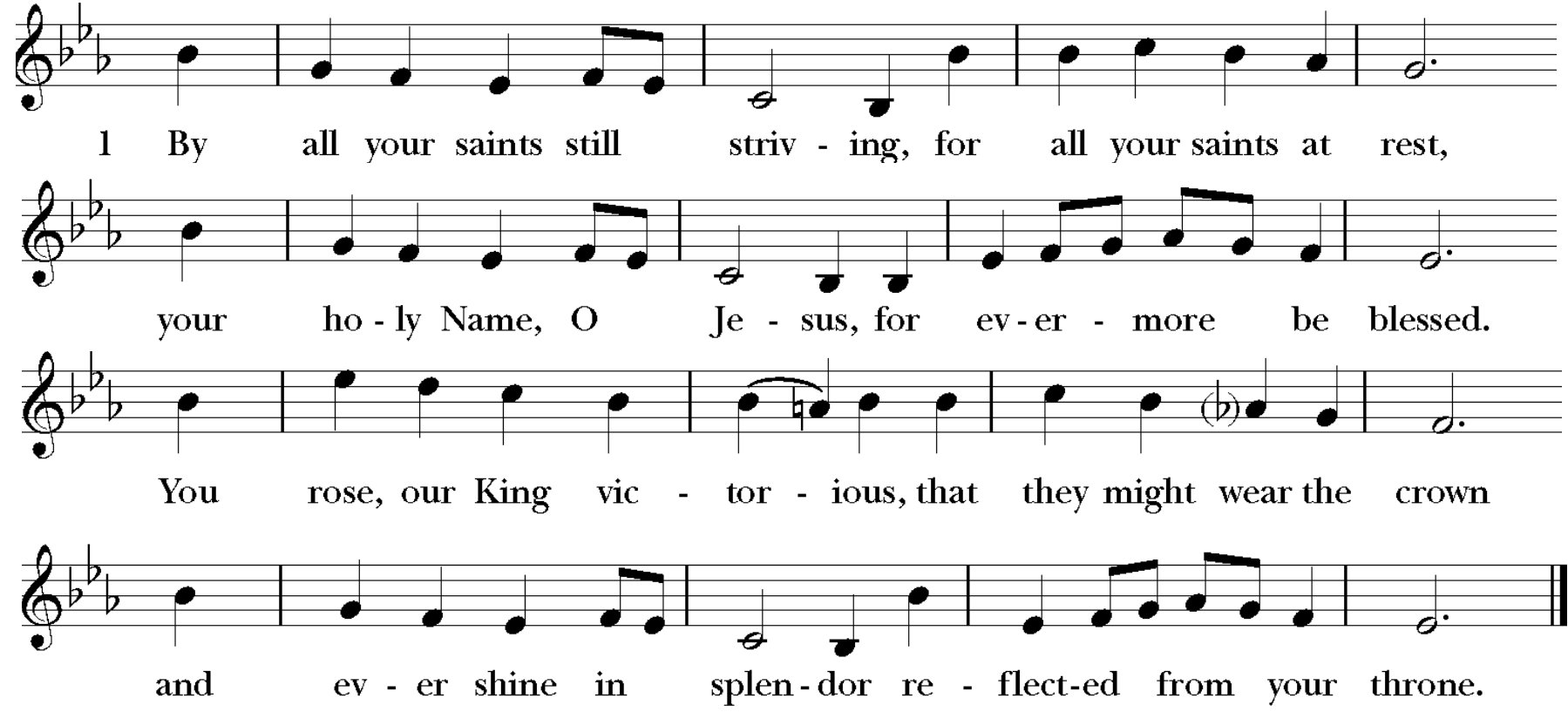
They will be led
to the springs of life-giving water
Revelation 7:17



May 8, 2022

Prelude

Opening Hymn *By Your Saints Still Striving* 1982 Hymnal #232



1 By all your saints still striv - ing, for all your saints at rest,
your ho - ly Name, O Je - sus, for ev - er - more be blessed.
You rose, our King vic - tor - ious, that they might wear the crown
and ev - er shine in splen - dor re - flect - ed from your throne.

- 2 We praise you, Lord, for Peter, so eager and so bold:
thrice falling, yet repentant, thrice charged to feed your fold.
Lord, make your pastors faithful to guard your flock from harm
and hold them when they waver with your almighty arm.
- 3 Then let us praise the Father and worship God the Son
and sing to God the Spirit, eternal Three in One,
till all the ransomed number who stand before the throne
ascribe all power and glory and praise to God alone.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**
Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
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 *Please be seated for the reading of the lessons.*

Introduction: Today’s lesson from Acts is centered in the city of Joppa which is located northwest of the modern city of Tel Aviv. The story is about a woman with two names – Tabitha and Dorcas. She died and Peter brought her back to life. The story reminds us of Jesus’ words, “You will do greater things than these.”

A reading from the book of 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 Peter was in the nearby town of Lydda, the disciples 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.

The psalm for this morning is 23. Let us read it responsively.

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd,

I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside still waters;

He restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths 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 prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

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

Rev. 7:13-17

[In my vision of the great crowd that no one could number who worshiped at the throne of God and the Lamb] one of the elders said to me,

“Who are these people wearing white robes, and where did they come from?”

I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.”

Then he said to me, “These people have come out of great hardship.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the Lamb's blood.

This is the reason they are before God's throne.

They worship him day and night in his temple,

and the one seated on the throne will shelter them.

They won't hunger or thirst anymore.

No sun or scorching heat will beat down on them,

because the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them.

He will lead them to the springs of life-giving water,

and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Please stand

Gospel Hymn

1982 Hymnal #460

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by his blood.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John 10:22-30

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.

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The Sermon

The Rev. David J. Marshall

The Nicene Creed (*All standing*)

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 *(Please stand or kneel or sit as you are able)*

Almighty God, today we give thanks to you for the divine gift of motherhood in all its forms. We thank you that you are our Source of Life: you created us and nurtured us, and again and again we return to you to be healed and restored.

Receive our prayers, as we respond to each petition with, “Hear our prayer.”

We pray in gratitude for our own mothers. We thank you for their love, their care for us, for the joy that many mothers bring every day. We pray for God’s peace for all those who have mothers who were not able to offer unconditional love, for those who are in conflict with their mothers, and for those who had to distance themselves from their mothers.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those among us who are parents, that in parenting they would find a deeper connection to the God who loves us with a love that is fiercely maternal.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all who hope to be mothers someday and for those whose hope to have children has been frustrated; and for all mothers who have lost children.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all who have mothered others in any way, especially for foster and adoptive parents. For those who have been our substitute mothers and for those who step into the parental role for children who need to be loved.

We pray for all those in our lives who need love and care, especially: Downs IV, Holden, Brian and Tyler. Grant healing and recovery for Sandy, Barbara (Pickrell) Beverly, Bill and Mary Jo. Give peace and strength for those going through cancer treatments, especially Jane, Downs III, Victoria, Alex, Connie and Douglas. Visit and comfort all who are under the care of skilled nursing, especially Timothy, Barbara, Kim and Mary Ann. Be near to all who are in hospice care.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the earth that provides us with our sustenance and for all who tend the land and feed the nations with the fruits of their labor. Make them wise and faithful stewards of your bounty. Grant sun and rain in due measure, and preserve your good land from blight, drought, flood, wind, and fire.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those whose mothers have passed away, and for all who have died, that they find rest in the arms of God. We pray especially for those we name now.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray this all in the name of God, who loves us like a mother. **Amen.**

Celebrant:

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:

Mercifully accept the strengthen us to do you will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Greetings, Announcements and Introductions

Offertory Anthem

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise him all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Praise him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia. Amen.

The Holy Eucharist Prayer D

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The Lord 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 God thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.
Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.
Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise.
Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,___
heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in___ the high - est.
Bless - ed___ is he who comes in the name of the Lord.____ Ho -
san - na in___ the high - est.____ Ho - san - na in___ the high - est.

The people may kneel or sit as they are able.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures.
When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.
Lord our God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose, he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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.”

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ’s death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,
And we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy universal and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. Remember all who minister in your Church. Remember those who protect us both at home and abroad. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and 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.**

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Prayer After Communion

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

Closing Hymn *For All the Saints* 1982 Hymnal #287, verses 1, 4, 6, 7, 8

For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!____
thee____ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet
Name, O____ Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
all are____ one in thee, for all are thine.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia, alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia, alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, alleluia!

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia
Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia

Postlude

Flower Dedication

The flowers today are given by Anne Roberts in memory of her dear Warren
and in thanksgiving for all the mothers.



Announcements

Dale Hooey's retirement party is Sunday, May 15. We will thank Dale for his music ministry at All Angels at the Coffee Hour.

The last 8 am service of the year will be next Sunday, May 15.

May Gallery Artist Our featured artist for May is Carol Doenecke. Please stop by and enjoy the work of this talented local artist. Checks should be written to All Angels by the Sea.

Men's and Women's Discussion Group Men's Discussion group, 10:00 on Tuesdays; Women's Discussion Group, 10:00 on Wednesdays. Both groups in-person and via Zoom.

Manatee Food Bank Food is always needed for the Manatee Food Bank. BOGO's at Publix are a great way to support this cause.

Coffee Hour Host One of the most important things we do is gather after the service for coffee hour. If you are interested in hosting, the sign up sheet is on the Gallery table. If you would like help, sign up and we will find someone to show you how it is done.

Centering Prayer Centering Prayer invites you to pray with them, every day, at 8 am, wherever you are. When you enter into prayer at 8 am (Eastern), you will know that others are praying at the same time.

Birthdays & Anniversaries If you have a birthday or anniversary coming up next month, please email Linn Torres at lt@allangelslbk.org

Visit our Website Video of Today's Service, Organ Concerts, Discussion Group Articles, Gallery Artist, and our weekly Tidings can all be found on our website:
www.allangelslbk.org.

Today's presenters

8:00 am

Barbara Pickrell — Chalice

Barbara Pickrell — Lector

Luanne Collins — Prayers

10:00 am

Ed Upshaw, Ethan Marshall — Chalice

Anne Roberts — Lector

Ginny Upshaw — Prayers

CJ and Katzy Nager — Ushers

Ethan Marshall — Acolyte

Elijah Marshall — A/V tech

Scott Wuesthoff — Zoom host

Bev Henry — Altar Guild

Heidi Thomas — Flowers

Deb Nettlow and Allen McGee — Offering Counters

Carol and Justus Doenecke — Coffee Hour

Dale Hooey — Organist

The Rev. Dave Marshall

The Rev. Maggie Gat

Vestry

Cathie Wilt, *Senior Warden*

Ginny Upshaw, *Junior Warden*

Sandy Wood, *Treasurer*

Ed Ortiz,

Barbara Pickrell,

Hank Kochan,

Larry Elder,

Jerry Bowles

Cade Sibley

The Rev. David J. Marshall, *Rector*

Reflection

Mothering

Mother's Day in Mexico is a fixed day – May 10th – unlike in the U.S. where it always falls on the second Sunday in May. Many of the students at Saint John's Episcopal School in Chula Vista, CA, lived just seven miles south of the school in Mexico. As a result, I got to know many Mexican mothers. To say May 10th is a big day in Mexico is an understatement. One mom told me that she prefers to have (Mexican) Mother's Day fall in the middle of the week because churches then celebrate moms on the Sunday before and the Sunday after. Interestingly enough, in the Middle Ages, the fourth Sunday of Lent is called Mothering Sunday. It was a day set aside for daughters, who had gone to work as domestic servants, to have a day off to visit their mother and family.

Mother's Day originated in the U.S. on Sunday, May 12, 1907. On that day, Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia, whose mother had organized women's groups to promote friendship and health, held a memorial service for her at Andrews Methodist Episcopal Church in Grafton, West Virginia. Within five years virtually every state observed the day, and in 1914 Woodrow Wilson made it a national holiday. The Episcopal Church in the U.S. has had 108 years to come up with a Mother's Day liturgy; and yet, we – Rectors – have to basically make one up every year.

My sister-in-law's UCC church in the San Francisco Bay Area celebrates Mothering Day. Not to be confused with the practice of the Middle Ages, the UCC celebration is to bless and pray for all those who are mothering others – regardless of gender or age or identity. I like the idea of turning “mother” in to a verb, “mothering”. I think that regardless of gender, we have, from time to time, nurtured and loved someone like a mother. At the same time, I am enamored by those who have given birth. It is beyond my comprehension to imagine birthing a new life. My wife and my mom are excellent mothers and it humbles me to be loved by them.

The closest thing I can imagine to giving birth is the adoption of our two daughters. They certainly grew in my heart during the year it took to adopt them. I still vividly remember seeing them burst out of the international wing of the SeaTac airport and into the overwhelmed and joyful arms of my parents. Although we did not bring them home in car seats; the way we brought home Ethan and Elijah from the hospital; the first car ride home with them was memorable. We had to show them how to get into the back seat of our Toyota Camry and put on a seatbelt. I watched in awe as Christi loved and nurtured them. While I was concerned about their physical health, she was watching out for their emotional well-being. ... and reminded me to drive slower because I was tired and excited to get home. When we arrived at our house, my mother-in-law was there to greet us. She nurtured and cared for us by making grilled cheese sandwiches for all of us weary, dazed and kind-of scared, travelers. In the twenty years since that day, we are blessed beyond measure to watch our daughters become mothers and continue in the tradition of nurturing and loving their children.

This Sunday, we will give thanks and pray for “the divine gift of motherhood in all its forms.” The first form is the Giver and Sustainer of All Life – who we call God. The second form is our biological mothers – those who have risen to the call of mothering and also for those who have fallen short. We will give thanks and pray for all those who have mothered us and for those who are a mother to others.

As far as the Episcopal Church liturgies go, perhaps one day there will be an All Angels Mother's Day liturgy in use around the country. Nevertheless, on every second Sunday of May, we will continue to give thanks for the divine gift of motherhood in all its forms.

- Rev. Dave



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