# All Angels Episcopal Church





### Prelude

Te Deum

Charpentier Cynthia Tate, Flute 1982 Hymnal #405



Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is One. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second commandment is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark* 12:29-31

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, 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.** 

#### Please be seated for the reading of the lessons. The Lessons

Introduction: Todays reading from the Acts of the Apostles is written by Luke the Gospel writer. He most likely traveled with Paul and was reporting on their experience. There were four travelers – Paul, Luke, Silas and Timothy. Paul had a vision of a man in Macedonia pleading him to travel there and help them. They sailed to the city of Philippi. Because they found no synagogue, they went down to the river to pray on the sabbath.

A reading from Acts

We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The psalm reading for this morning is from Psalm 67

May God be merciful to us and bless us,

show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth,

your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth her increase;

may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

May God give us his blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

A reading from the Book of Revelation Rev. 21:10, 22-22:5

Acts 16:9-15

Ps 67

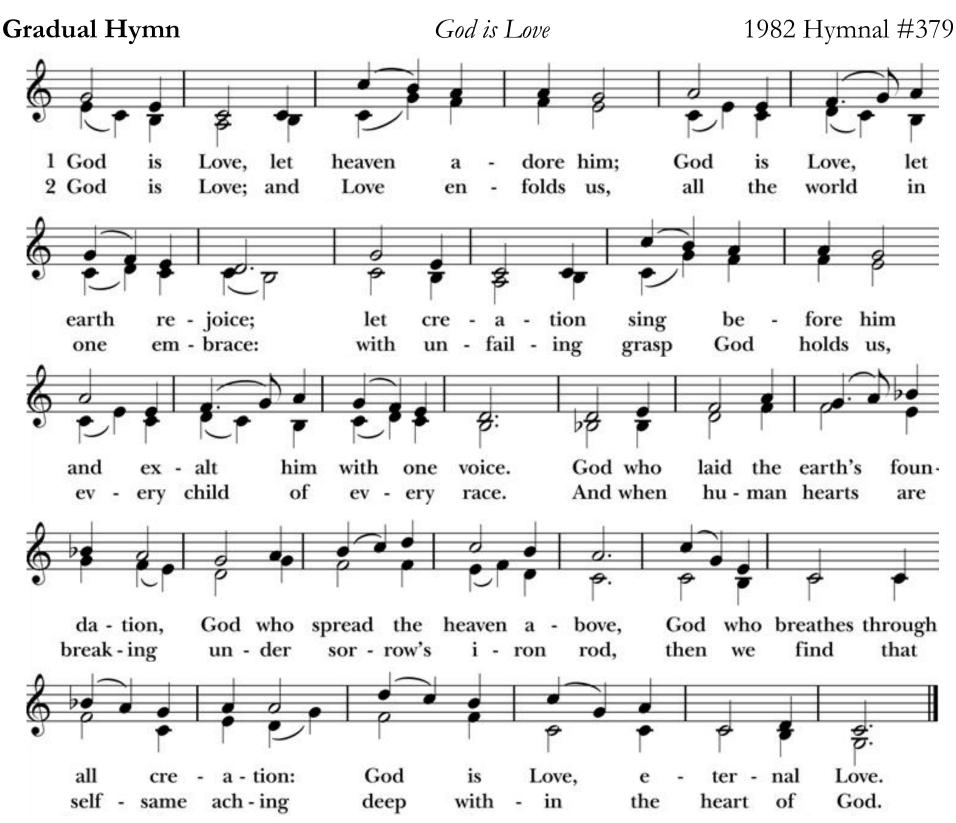
In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God



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

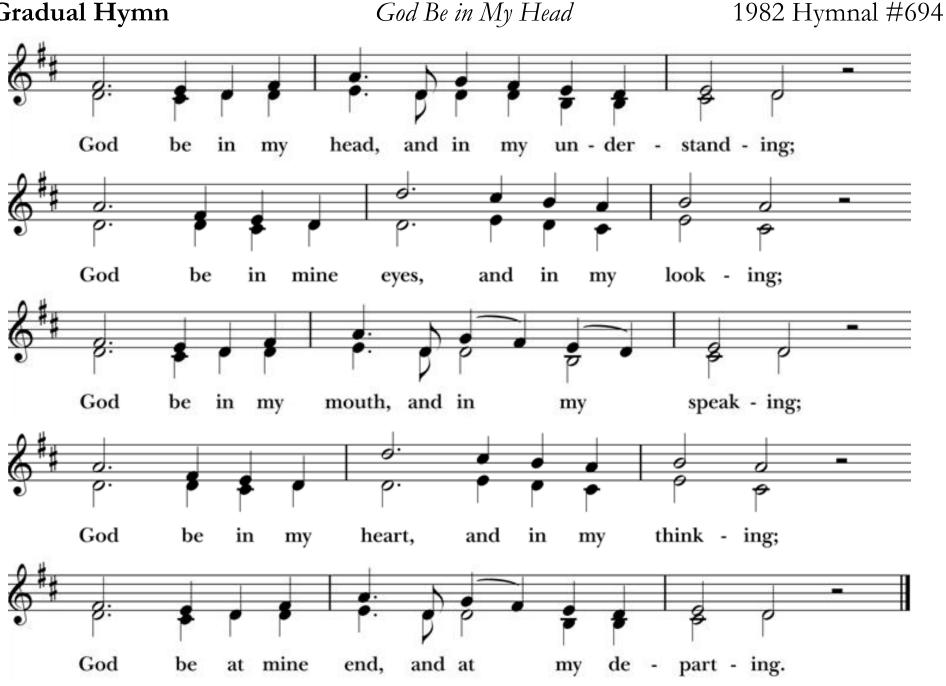
John 14:23-29

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, `I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

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

Gradual Hymn



The Sermon

The Very Rev. David J. Marshall

**Reflection Hymn** 

Pie Jesu (Blessed Jesus) Cynthia Tate, Flute

G. Fauré

**The Nicene Creed** (The word "catholic" means universal or global body of Christian believers) 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)

Let us pray to our risen Savior on behalf of the Church, the world, and all people. *A brief silence* 

Lord Jesus, your servant Paul brought the Good News to the city of Philippi. Equip your Church with every good gift so we may continue to bring the Living Christ to those inside and outside the church.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bless this congregation to show love to others. Kindle our hearts to seek the lost, lift up the broken-hearted, and invite our neighbors to hear your holy and life-changing Word.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bless and strengthen all who take counsel for the nations. Guide them in pathways of justice and righteousness. Use their labors to feed all people, to live in friendship with their neighbor, and to walk humbly before you, their Lord and God.

Breathe your peace on Gaza, Israel and Ukraine.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bring the healing of your touch to all those who suffer in body or spirit. We remember before you Downs IV, Holden, Barbara, Maria Christine, Caitlin, Dennis, Angie, Amy Jo, Carling, Michael, Ian, Joan, Diana, Anne, Alyssa, Joe, Denise and Zachary, and Chris. We pray for those who recover from surgery, especially Nancy and John. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

We pray for those going through cancer treatments and those in remission, especially, Margaret, Downs III, Victoria, Alex, Connie, Douglas, Frank, Gerta, Lauren, TJ, Cara, Valerie, Violet, Joan, Nancy, Julie, George, Denise, Mark, and John. We pray for those who receive the care of skilled nursing, especially Timothy, Barbara, and Kim. We pray for those in Hospice, especially Jeanne and Regina.

Breathe your healing and peace on all those who suffer.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, we entrust into your care those for whom we love but see no longer. (*Silence*) Give us faith to trust your Word in times of doubt and confusion. Give us compassion to care for those in need. Give us joy, which is the inheritance of all whom you love.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Celebrant:* Grant to us all that is in accordance with your will, dear Jesus, and accomplish your salvation among us; for you are risen and dwell in majesty with your Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

The Confession is traditionally omitted during the season of Easter.

#### The Peace of the Lord be with you. And also with you.

# Greetings, Announcements and Introductions

**Offertory Anthem** 

For the Beauty of the Earth

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Mason Koeritz

The Doxology

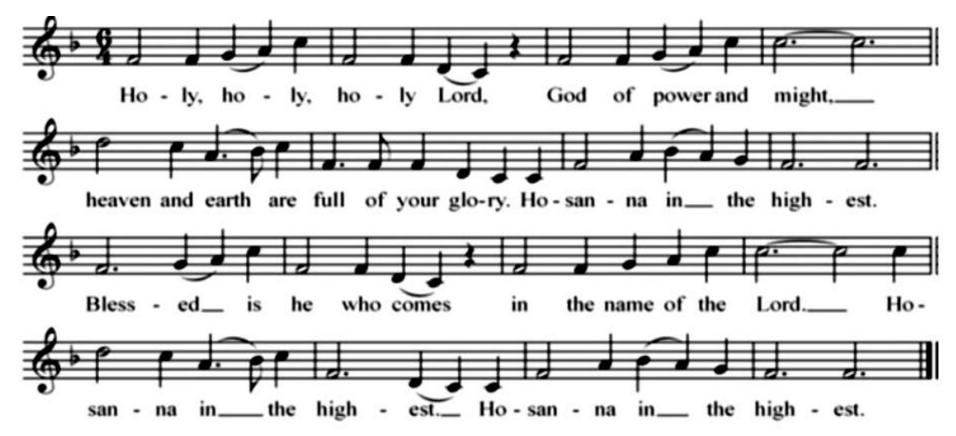
Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise him all creatures here below, Praise him above ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Holy Eucharist Prayer B

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 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; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of 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.

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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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. 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.

Jesus invites everyone to meet him here. If you would like to receive the bread or a blessing, please come forward. If you would prefer to have communion brought to you, please let one of the ushers know and we will bring it to you.

#### **Communion Music**

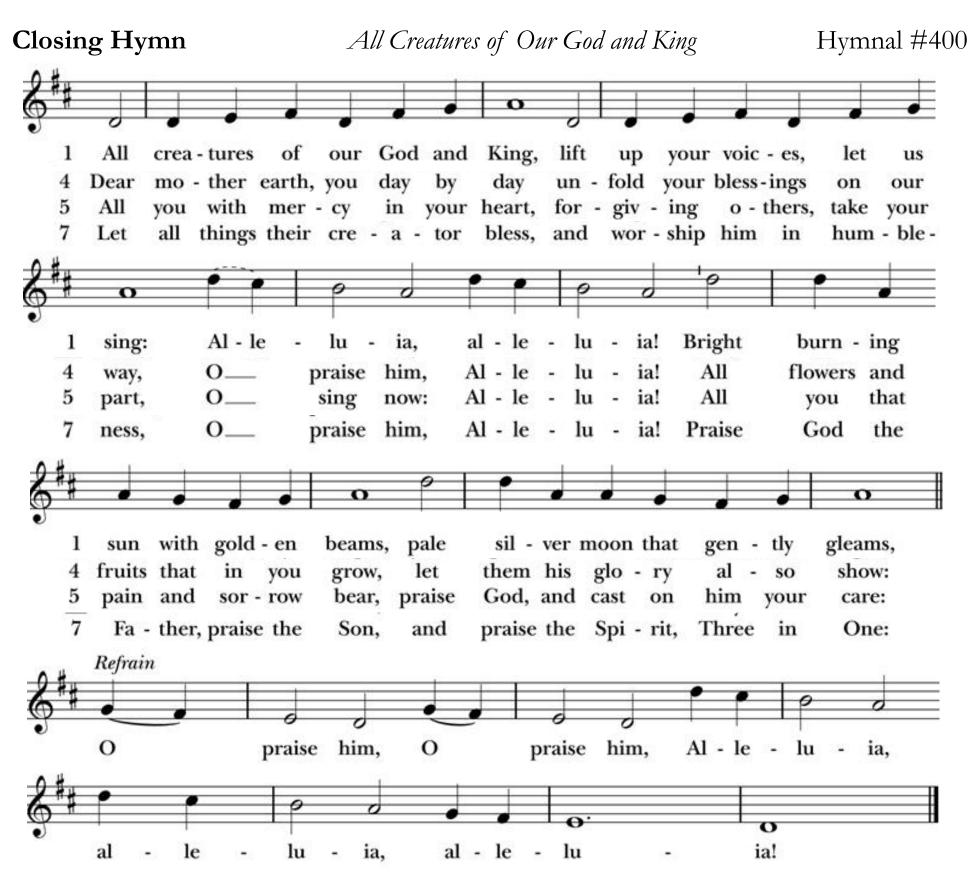
### **Prayer After Communion**

Let us pray.

David Stasney

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Blessing



#### The Dismissal

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

#### Postlude

Go Forth in Peace

New to All Angels? Welcome! Be sure to sign the guest registry in the lobby.

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# Flower Dedication

The flowers today are given by Jinx Kochan with love in celebration of Hank's Birthday.





**Gallery Artist** The Gallery Artist for May is Zerbe Sodervick. 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.

**Choir Rehearsal/Warm-up** Sunday Mornings at 9 am through June 15th, Trinity Sunday. Then on the first Sunday of July, August and September. Regular Rehearsals will begin in October.

**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, Discussion Group Articles, Gallery Artist, and our weekly Tidings can all be found on our website: **www.allangelslbk.org.** 

#### **Today's presenters**

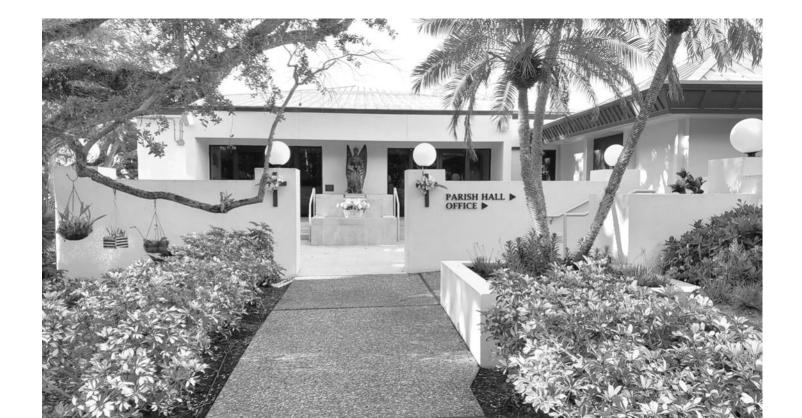
Ed Upshaw — Chalice Terry Cobb — Lector Mackenzie Marshall — Prayers Reuben Fernandez, Philip Deming — Ushers Cynthia Tate — Flute David Stasney — Organist

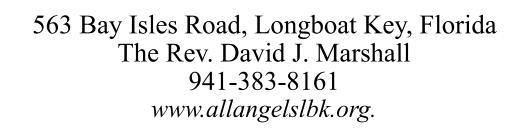
Ethan Marshall — Acolyte Elijah Marshall — A/V tech Scott Wuesthoff — Zoom host Daphne Walker — Altar Guild David Stasney — Flowers Laurel Vaughn — Offering Counters Carol and Justus Doenecke — Coffee Hour Vestry

Cade Sibley Carol Erker Allen McGee David Bishop Hank Kochan Larry Elder Brian Davis *Junior Warden* Reuben Fernandez

Senior Warden

David Stasney *Music Director* Fr. Fred Emrich *Retired Associate* The Very Rev. David J. Marshall, *Rector* 





Our mission is to bring the living Christ to those inside and outside the church.

# Reflection

#### Your Choice: Peter or Pan

I learned something new this week about the pagan deity Pan and St. Peter. Modern-day devil images are based on the character Pan who is depicted as a half-goat, half-human shepherd with horns. Pan is credited with sudden, irrational fear and is where the word "panic" comes from. The Roman Empire used panic as a tool. Panic kept rebels hiding. Panic conquered the hearts of opposing soldiers before the first arrow was sent. The roman crucifixion was an instrument that caused panic and created the so-called Pax Romana (peace through Rome).

In contrast, St. Peter proclaimed "Pax Christi" (peace through Christ). Peter is the chief shepherd of the Church. Instead of panic, he offered forgiveness through Christ and the peace that passes all understanding. Jesus is the Good Shepherd. The Prince of Peace. The deity pan is also a shepherd but one who inspires panic; he's the prince of fear and chaos. The contrast is clear between the Good Shepherd – the one who leads sheep to green pastures and still waters, the one who lays his life down for the sheep – and Pan who causes mind-scrambling panic. I think that Peter and the early Church knew the contrast between Jesus and the goat-like deity.

There is a famous site in Caesarea Philippi where Peter said of Jesus, "You are the Messiah, the son of the living God." Jesus blessed him, laid his hands on him and said: *You are Peter and on you – the Rock – I will build my church*. This occurred at a rock-cliff site called Banias; named for the spring that flows out of the rock and feeds the Jordan River (where Jesus and thousands of others were baptized). There is a church built where Jesus blessed Peter. Recent archeology has uncovered that below the ancient church, there was a much older shrine to Pan. Thus, in contrast, Jesus laid his hands on Peter at a shrine dedicated to the deity who inspires panic.

Consider this contrast in our lives today: Jesus said in all four Gospels,

#### The one who tries to save their life will lose it but the one who loses their life for my sake will find it.

I was trained with other VA chaplains on how to treat panic disorder (PD). I have seen service members and veterans in a state of panic – rapid heart rate, dangerously high blood pressure, sweating, shortness of breath, shaking and nausea – because they were remembering an incident when they did all they could to save their life. As a result, they had lost their life to panic. There is a way through PD that begins with breathing. The chaplain first controls his/her breathing because panic is contagious. So is peace. The chaplain must choose first.

To overcome PD, the life of panic must be allowed to die. The desire to control the uncontrollable must be set down; then, new life begins. Peter had to give up controlling the uncontrollable – remember that he raised his sword in panic to defend Jesus from his captors.

*On this rock.* Peter rejected Pan. He chose peace that passes all understanding. He lost his life and then in peace found it. The choice that Peter made back then is ours to choose today: will you choose the peace that Peter built the Church upon, or the panic that remains in the world.

- Fr. Dave