May 21, 2023
Seventh Sunday of Easter

9 & 11 AM
Holy Eucharist — Rite II

Welcome!

We have sealed cups and wafers on the left side (facing the altar) and the common cup on the right side (pulpit side). It is truly a gift to be able to kneel alongside one another again and partake in the body and blood of Jesus together. We are not offering the option of intinction as it has proven to spread illness more than drinking from the cup. If you would like to receive a blessing from a Priest, come forward and cross your arms at the rail.

Listening assistance devices are provided – ask any usher



Children's worship bulletins and bags are located in the vestibules

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Stan Winarski and Bonnie Tait by Carol Winarski.

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Prelude *Earth and All Stars* Paul Manz

Processional Hymn — 410 v 1,2,4 *Praise my soul the King of Heaven*

Opening Acclamation

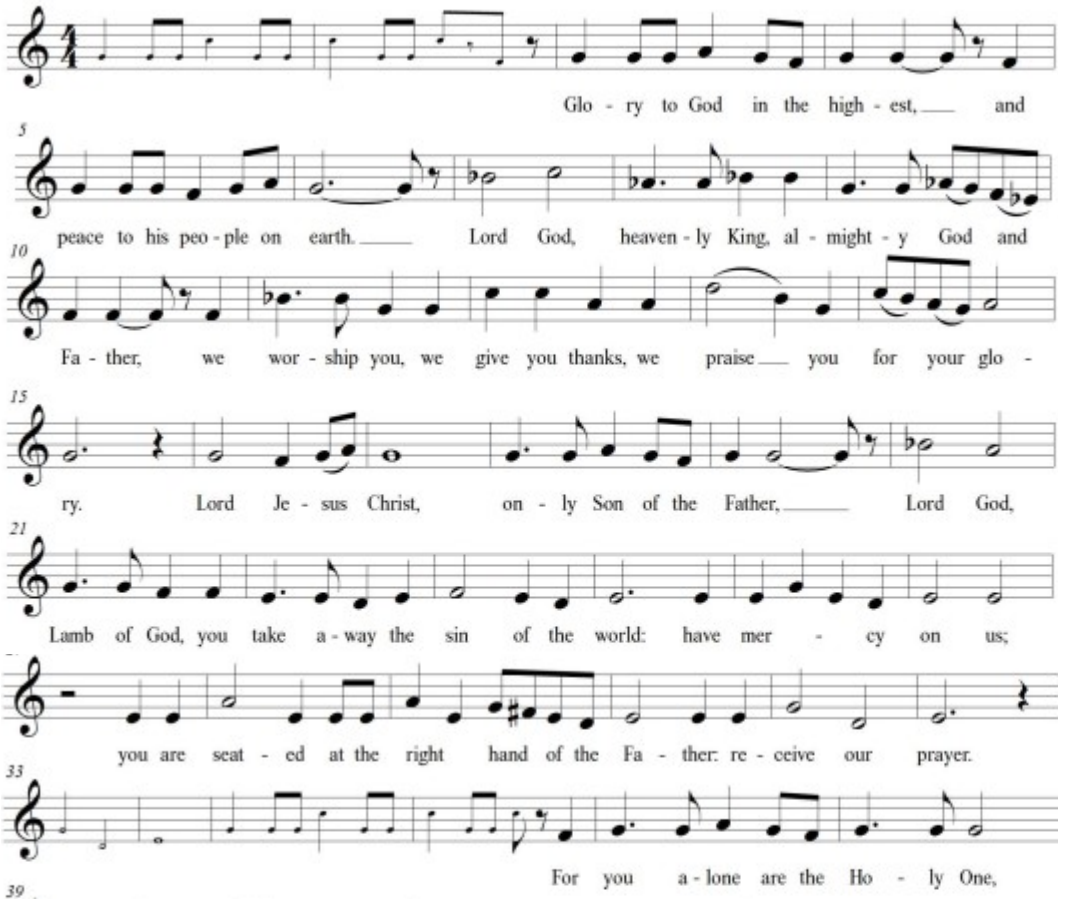
Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

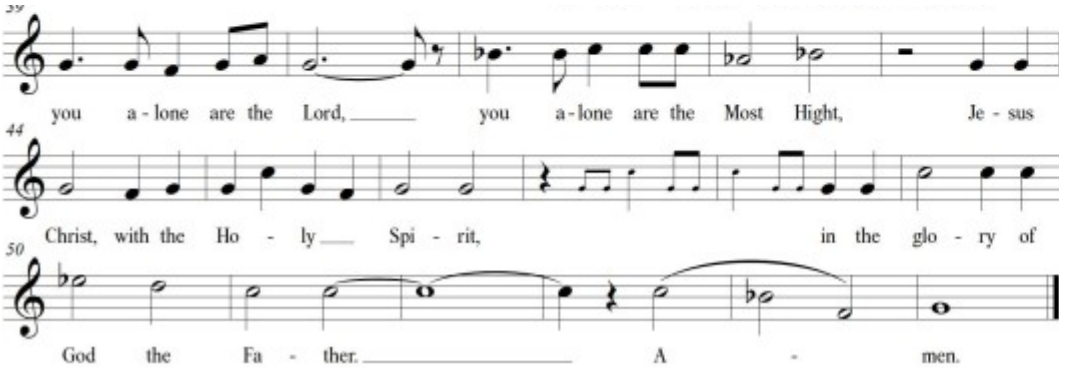
Collect for Purity

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

Wm. Mathias





The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Priest Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. ***Amen.***

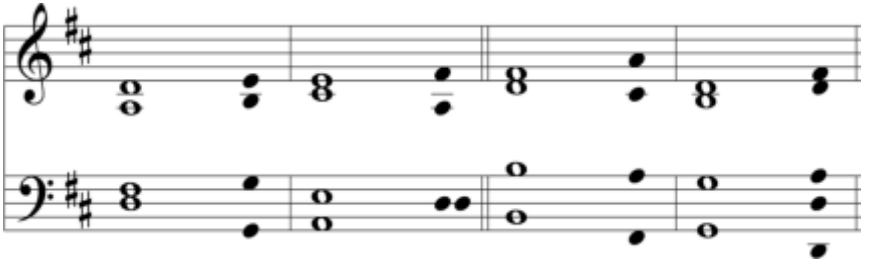
The Word of God

The First Lesson *(seated)* — Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Reader The word of the Lord.
People ***Thanks be to God.***



1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be/scattered; *
let those who hate him flee be/fore him.
2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it a/way; *
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of/God.
3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before/God; *
let them also be merry and/joyful.
4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the/heavens; *
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice be/fore him!
5 Father of orphans, defender of/widows, *
God in his holy habi/tation!
6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into/freedom; *
but the rebels shall live in dry/places.
7 O God, when you went forth before your/people, *
when you marched through the/wilderness,
8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,at the presence of God, the God of/Sinai, *
at the presence of God, the God of/Israel.
9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your in/heritance; *
you refreshed the land when it was/weary.
10 Your people found their/home in it; *
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the/poor.
33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the/earth; *
sing praises to the/Lord.
34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient/heavens; *
he sends forth his voice, his mighty/voice.
35 Ascribe power to/God; *
his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the/skies.
36 How wonderful is God in his holy/places! *
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be/God!

The Epistle — 1 Peter 4:12-14,5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Reader The word of the Lord.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Sequence Hymn — 214 v 1,2,4 *Hail the day that sees him rise*

The Gospel Reading — John 17:1-11

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

Sermon The Rev. Mark D. Riley

A brief silence is observed following the sermon

Nicene Creed *(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.

Prayers Of The People Form III

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church; ***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; ***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Susan, our Bishop; and for Samantha and Mark our clergy; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. ***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; Joe, our president, Glenn, our governor, Donnie, our mayor; and for our nation's security forces and for all who go in harm's way. ***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; ***at our works may Ťhd favor in your sight.***

Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, especially those involved in the war in Ukraine, 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.***

I ask your thanksgivings for the birthdays of Paula, Henry, Jess, Thomas, Betsy, and Brian, and the anniversaries of Debbie & Michael, Ann & Frank, Carrie & Ron, and Ann & Jeff.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble. We pray especially for those on our prayer list; ***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed eternal rest; especially for Stan and Bonnie who are remembered today with our altar flowers. ***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

Let us pray, silently or aloud, for our own needs and those of others.

Confession *(kneeling)*

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.

Absolution (*kneeling)*

The Peace

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

Welcome and Announcements *(seated)*

Offertory Music 9am *Prepare yourself O my Soul* David Cherwien
11am *I Will not Leave you Comfortless* Everett Titcomb

Doxology *(standing)*

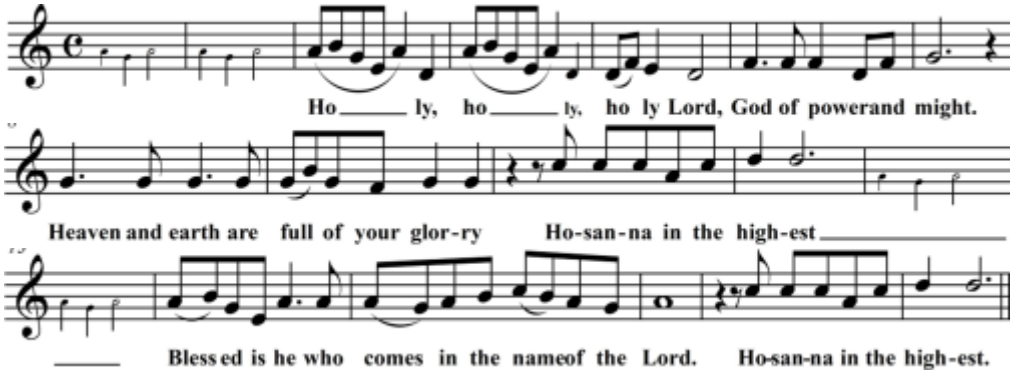
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 him thanks and praise.***
Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth…
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



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.

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:

All ***Christ has died.***
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

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,

The Lord's Prayer *(together)*

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 (*Silence is kept)*

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

The Distribution

Communion Music

Post-Communion Prayer *(kneeling)*

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

Recessional Hymn — 460 v 1,3,4 *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

Dismissal

Postlude *Postlude on 'Fredericktown'* Robert Powell

Participating In Today's Service

LEM 9am Linda Serwatka, David Bishop
Ushers 9am Darden Barrett, Carter Barrett
Altar Guild 9am Barbara & Pat Dennehey
Acolyte Master 9am Connie Heath
Music Director/Organist: Deborah Carr
Flower Delivery Sandy & Russell Smith

11am Sandy Smith, Brian McMahon
11am Bill Martin, Dan Clark
11am Wendy Connly, Lynn Kirkland
11am Scott Curtis
Special Music 11am St John's Choir
Coffee Hour Brad Norris

Calendar

May 21 - 27, 2022

Sunday, 5/21

9am Holy Eucharist—Rite II
10am Christian Formation
11am Holy Eucharist—Rite II

Monday, 5/22

4pm Book Club
8pm AA
9pm Compline

Tuesday, 5/23

8:30am Men's Study Group
9pm Compline

Wednesday, 5/24

3pm Bible Study
5:30pm THRIVE
7pm Choir
9pm Compline

Thursday, 5/25

11am THRIVE
12pm Bible Study
8pm AA
9pm Compline

Friday, 5/26

9:15am Women's Al-Anon

Prayers And Thanksgivings

We pray for healing in the lives of Ruth Purinton, Bill Harper, Mary Scalisi, Charlotte Weber, Diana Youngclaus, Kevin Rowe, Ron Forbes, Mary Virginia Strup, Martha Messersmith, John Hutson, Susan Cowling, Linda McMahon, Bettyrene Pope, Inmates and Staff at Hampton City Jail, Bob Ridle, Regina Cicchetti, Eileen, Brenda Ayers, Linda Carwile, Jessica McCready, Kaleb, Frank Robert, Mike Fox, George Edmonson, Lauren, John Stant, Dave Forrest, Paige, Mimi, Sue Tillery, Cabel Potts, Bobby Phillips, Julia Mulherin, Ann Sawyer, and John MacFarland.

We give thanksgivings for the birthdays of Paula Hogg (5/22), Henry Eley (5/23), Jess Miller (5/25), Thomas Miller (5/25), Betsy Clark (5/26), and Brian McMahon (5/27)

We give thanksgivings for the anniversaries of Debbie & Michael Woodward (5/24), Ann & Frank Edgar Jr (5/26), Carrie & Ron Quinn (5/27), and Ann & Jeff Templeman (5/27).

Announcements

Nursery Open: The Nursery is again fully staffed and open! Be sure to say hi to Whitney, our new nursery attendant.

Pentecost on May 28th: Don't forget to wear red on Pentecost! Why? Because that is what we have always done!

Book Club: The St. John's Book Club will meet Monday, May 22, at 4pm on the stage in the parish house. For that meeting we will finish reading *City of Thieves* by David Benioff. Our next book will be *Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman. New members are welcome! For more information, please contact Susan Edmonson at 757-325-6676 or edmonson4@cox.net.

Altar Flowers: We have several dates through the summer we need altar flower donations for. Available dates are June 25, July 23, and August 27.

Music Sunday: Sunday June 4 at both services our choir will celebrate Music Sunday by bringing us the story of the prophet Elijah. This choral work will introduce us to the faith of one of the Old Testaments most colorful and spiritual prophets and remind us of the power of the one true God. Elijah singlehandly turns the Israelites back to worshiping the one true God, the same God we worship today, by mocking and destroying the followers of Baal. The story is dramatic, full of inspiring solos and much humor. Our special program will come alive in a special coloring book

program created by Shannon McCall with pictures of the scenes we are singing. All ages will want to color these scenes as our choir and soloists sing, and will have a souvenir program to keep as a memory of this inspiring story. Children attending the 11am service will be greeted by Elijah at a special children's sermon time before the story begins.

Bible Study: "The Acts of the Apostles"; we meet on Thursday at Noon in the parish hall. Drop in visitors are always welcome. We begin and end in prayer for those on our hearts. Questions? Email Mark.

Zoom Bible Study: "The Acts of the Apostles"; if you are unable to join us in person, we are continuing our zoom study group. We meet at 3pm on Wednesday via Zoom. We begin and end in prayer for those on our hearts. Join us! Questions? Email Mark.

Name Tags: After many requests, we have put name tags in the pews. However, they only work if you write your name on one and put it on. Please participate so we can know the names of those people who sit next to us.

Christian Formation

Children and Youth Christian Formation: We have two Christian Formation classes for children and youth ages 3-7 and ages 8 and up on Sunday mornings at 10am. All are welcome!

Adult Christian Formation: "The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life". This Adam Hamilton (Author) series focuses on five essential spiritual practices rooted in Jesus' own walk with God and taught throughout the New Testament. Each is intended as part of our daily walk with Christ and an essential part of growing together in the church. We meet on the stage at 10am (Materials provided). All are welcome.

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2025 — Darden Barrett; Ron Kindley; Brad Norris

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