



THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Holy Eucharist, Rite II
May 5, 2024
10:00 a.m.

WELCOME

Welcome to historic St. Paul's Episcopal Church, we are glad you are here. Please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex as you leave the service today. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider St. Paul's.

Childcare for infants and toddlers is available in the Nursery located just across from the elevator on the Main Level of the Education Building.

*Today's liturgy is found in this service sheet and also in the red Book of Common Prayer in the pew rack.
Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982 in the pew rack.
A hymn number preceded by an 'S' is in the front section of the hymnal.*

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Prelude
Three Liturgical Improvisations

George Oldroyd
(1887-1956)

*My soul hath a desire and longing
To enter the courts of the Lord.*

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand

Hymn at the Procession

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Hymnal 616

Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant ✠ Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 355

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.*

A Song of Praise

Hymnal S 278

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 High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

Setting: William Mathias

The Collect for Easter 6

BCP p. 225

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Please kneel or remain standing as you are able

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

from The Acts of the Apostles

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual: Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino*

tone: Sir George Thalben-Ball

- 1 Sing to the / [Lord a] new / song, *
for he has / done / [marvel]ous / things.
- 2 With his right hand and his / holy / arm *
has he won for him/self the / victo/ry.
- 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 / [victor]y / of our / God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord / all you / lands; *
lift up your voice, re/joice, / 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 there/in.
- 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 / equi/ty.

The New Testament Lesson

I 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Sequence Hymn

As longs the deer for cooling streams

Hymnal 658

Martyrdom

Remain standing

The Holy Gospel

John 15:9-17

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

People **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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Please stand

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

**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 \times resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Please kneel or remain standing as you are able

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

BCP. p. 392

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Intercessor For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and Mark, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

Hear us, Lord;
People **For your mercy is great.**

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King;
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Intercessor We pray for all who have ✠ died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People **Who put their trust in you.**

Intercessor We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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.*

Please stand

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please be seated

The Offering

Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

*O sing unto the Lord a new song; sing unto the Lord, all the earth.
Sing unto the Lord, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people*

Please stand

Presentation Hymn, stanza 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Hymnal 380

Old 100th

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer A, The Book of Common Prayer, p. 361

Please kneel or remain standing as you are able, the Celebrant continues

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 everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

A Proper Preface is said

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav'n 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, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: Mass in E
Geoffrey Smith

Please kneel or remain standing as you are able, the Celebrant continues

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:

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,

People and Celebrant

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

A period of silence is kept

The Fraction Anthem



Setting: Mass in E
Geoffrey Smith

The Invitation

The Communion of the Faithful

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.
Please let an Usher know if you are unable to come forward and Communion will be brought to you.
Gluten-Free wafers are available upon request.*

Communion Motet

Thomas Tallis
(c. 1505-1585)

*If ye love me, keep my commandments.
And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may abide with you forever; Even the spirit of truth;*

The Post Communion Prayer

BCP p. 365

Celebrant Let us pray.
Please kneel or stand as you are able
People and Celebrant

**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

Please stand

Hymn at the Retiring Procession

Hymnal 292
Kingsfold

O Jesus, crowned with all renown

Dismissal

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

*The flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God,
and in celebration of Steve Baldwin's birthday,
and in memory of his twin brother, father & grandfather
John Ordway Baldwin, William Ray Baldwin, Jr. and Harold Bruce Fletcher
by Leila Lou Baldwin.*

Those Serving Today

The Rev. Todd M. Vie, The Rev. Dr. Nina Salmon,

The Rev. Deacon Bill Bumgarner, *St. Paul's Clergy*

Liesel Kittlitz, Steve Smith, *Vergers*

Anna Crowther, Caroline Crowther, Lara Proctor, Holden Houck, Shannon Proctor, *Acolytes*

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Sumner Jenkins, *St. Paul's Choir*

Charlie McVeigh, Paul Crestel, Cabell Crowther, Ben Reiley, *Ushers*

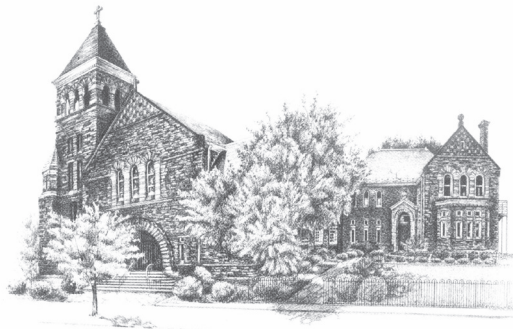
Sue Reeves, Becky Smith, *Altar Guild*

Leila Lou & Steve Baldwin, *Coffee Hour Hosts*

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To Know Christ, To Worship Christ, To Serve Christ, To Make Him Known