

# The Sixth Sunday of Easter

5 May 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

## HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

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*Responses said by the congregation are high-lighted in bold print. The hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982. The Service music is either printed in the bulletin or found in the front of the blue Hymnal.*

### THE WORD OF GOD

#### PRELUDE

#### WELCOME

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The people stand to sing*

**OPENING HYMN 616**

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

*Hymnal 1982*

#### 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.**

**HYMN S-280**

Glory to God

*Gloria in excelsis*

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.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* 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.**

## THE LESSONS

*The people sit for*

**The First Reading:** *Acts 10:44-48*

A reading from the book of Acts.

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.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm:** *Psalm 98*

*Cantate Domino*

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song, \*  
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 **With his right hand and his holy arm \***  
**has he won for himself the victory.**
- 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 victory of our God.**
- 5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; \*  
lift up your voice, rejoice, 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 therein.**
- 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 equity.**

**The Epistle:** *1 John 5:1-6*

A reading from the first book of John.

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.

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

*The people stand for the singing of the Sequence Hymn and the reading of the Gospel*  
**SEQUENCE HYMN 707**      Take My Life and Let it Be      *Hymnal 1982*

**The Gospel:** *John 15:9-17*

*Celebrant*    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.”

*Celebrant*    The Gospel of our Lord  
*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## THE HOMILY

Rev. Richard Swan

## 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 people are led in*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the needs of the church and the world to God who raised Jesus to new life.

Merciful God, 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 Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Kristian our Bishop, for Richard our priest; and for all the clergy 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;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

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

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others...

We pray for those of our parish family serving in the military ...

*Celebrant* Lord, make us ambassadors of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. **Amen.**

### **THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*All greet one another in the name of the Lord*

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

### **OFFERTORY**

*Celebrant* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

*The people will stand on the last verse*

**OFFERTORY HYMN 689**

I Sought the Lord (verses 1-3)

*Hymnal 1982*

At the Presentation

*The people stand for the Doxology*

**DOXOLOGY HYMN 380** Praise God, From Whom all Blessings Flow (*verse 3*)

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**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 up to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **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. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, — Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, — hea - ven and earth are

full, \_\_\_\_\_ full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. 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.

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

**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,

**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



(Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.)



Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;



there - fore let us keep the feast.



(Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.)

*Celebrant* 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.

### **THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

*All Baptized Christians of all ages are invited to come forward to receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ. The consecrated Bread is received in the open hand. The consecrated Wine is received by guiding the Cup to your mouth and then taking a sip. If you desire a gluten free wafer, please raise your hand when the Priest approaches. Due to COVID restrictions, dipping the Bread into the Wine is not permitted. After receiving the Bread, if you do not wish to partake of the Wine, cross your arms across your chest as a signal to the Chalice Bearer. If you are not receiving Communion, you are still invited to come forward for a Blessing. Simply cross your arms across your chest as a signal to the Priest.*

### **THE POST COMMUNION 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; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **THE EASTER BLESSING**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The people stand to sing*

**CLOSING HYMN**

Blessed Assurance

1. Bless-ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! Oh, what a fore - taste of  
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, Vi - sions of rap - ture now  
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, I in my Sav - iour am

glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God,  
 burst on my sight; An - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a - bove  
 hap - py and blest; Watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove,

REFRAIN

Born of His Spir - it, washed in His blood.  
 Ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. This is my sto - ry, this is my  
 Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

song, Prais - ing my Sav - iour all the day long; This is my sto - ry,

this is my song, Prais - ing my Sav - iour all the day long.

### THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!  
*People* Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia!

### POSTLUDE



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*Celebrant & Preacher:* Rev. Richard Swan

*Organist:* Diana Graham

*Eucharistic Minister:* Jeff Baldrige

*Lectors:* Sarah Broweleit and Teena Baldrige

*Altar Guild:* Barb Roy and Sarah Broweleit

*Ushers/Greeters:* Ron Thomas

*Videographer:* Broweleit Family