## THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II MAY 9, 2021 AT 10:00AM



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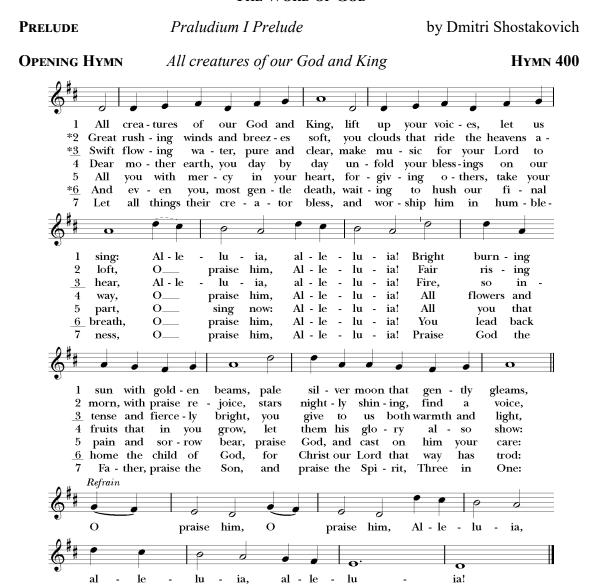
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#### THE WORD OF GOD



## **OPENING ACCLAMATION** (please stand)

**BCP 355** 

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

COLLECT FOR PURITY BCP 355

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 S-278



#### 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 FIRST LESSON:** ACTS 10:44-48 (please be seated for the readings)

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.

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

## **PSALM 98** (read responsively)

People

<sup>1</sup> Sing to the LORD a new song, \* for he has done marvelous things.

<sup>2</sup> With his right hand and his holy arm \* has he won for himself the victory.

<sup>3</sup> The LORD has made known his victory; \*

his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

<sup>4</sup> 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.

<sup>5</sup> Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; \* lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

<sup>6</sup> Sing to the LORD with the harp, \*

with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn \* shout with joy before the King, the LORD.

<sup>8</sup> Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, \* the lands and those who dwell therein.

<sup>9</sup> Let the rivers clap their hands, \*
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,
when he comes to judge the earth.
<sup>10</sup> In righteousness shall he judge the world \*
and the peoples with equity.

THE SECOND LESSON: 1 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.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN Lord, make us servants of your peace

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**THE HOLY GOSPEL:** JOHN 15: 9-17 (please remain standing)

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."

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

People

#### SERMON

## THE NICENE CREED (please stand)

**BCP 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. (pause) 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

**BCP 387** 

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; in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Mark's, Northumberland.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Global Anglican Future Conference Branch in Ireland. Let us pray to the Lord.

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; *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; especially Geta, Holly, Emily Lavender, Garth Alexander, Chase, Tom Hemler, Angelica, and Jason Wilhelm. *That they may be delivered from their distress*.

Give to the departed eternal rest; especially Cheryl Bell Gahring. *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.* 

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### THE HOLY EUCHARIST

**THE OFFERTORY** Laudamus Te

by Antonio Vivaldi

We praise you, Lord. We give blessing to you. We adore you, Lord. We give you glory.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D

BCP 372

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 God thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, 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 say,

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. 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 catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with St. John and 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.** 

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP 364

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

**BCP 364** 

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia. People

THE INVITATION **BCP 365** 

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.

#### A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

A spiritual communion is a devotional that anyone can pray to express their desire to receive Communion, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving the sacrament.

Beloved Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you in this life or in the life to come. Amen.

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**BCP 365** 

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

Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing

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### POSTLUDE

#### GOOD NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia. People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

#### **POSTLUDE**

#### UPCOMING MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S:

**TODAY** 

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite I (In-Person)

9:00 a.m. Sunday School (Zoom)

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite II (In-Person and Online)

11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour (Zoom)

TUESDAY, MAY 11

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

2:00 p.m. Martha's Ministry (Knitters)

2:30 p.m. Food Pantry

2:30 p.m. Capital Campaign Meeting 4:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting 5:00 p.m. VH Dance (Auditorium)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

12:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, MAY 13

2:30 p.m. Food Pantry

SATURDAY, MAY 15

9:00 a.m. Community Breakfast (First Reformed)

**Weekly Support Ministries** 

AA: Tuesday 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. (All Purpose Room)

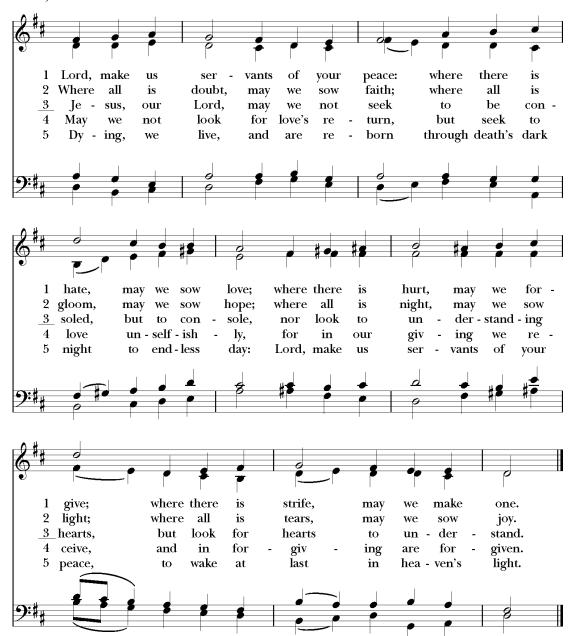
NA: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 12:00 Noon (Parish Hall)



The flowers on the altar are given in memory of Naomi Graeter and Ruth Bushong Ely by John and Barbara Graeter.

#### LORD, MAKE US SERVANTS OF YOUR PEACE

## **Hymn 593**





#### OUR GUEST MUSICIANS THIS MORNING:

**Morgan Hackett** graduated from Lebanon Valley College in 2019 and began her teaching career as the orchestra director at Allen Middle School and Cedar Cliff High School. She is currently pursuing a masters in Instrumental Conducting at Messiah University. **Jess Kling** is a violinist and music educator who is teaching elementary strings in Hempfield School District. She enjoys performing with the Fulton Theatre Orchestra and other local organizations. Jess plays and sings regularly at Trinity Lutheran Church in Mount Joy. **Sophia Thompson** is an active member of the St. John's youth group and studies cello and piano.

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS:

#### LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING—MAY 11



Now is the time to raise our voices in support of 100% Fair Funding - enacting equitable distribution of monies for all of PA children's education.

With the Governor and increasing legislator support, there is a *chance* to get across the finish line to fairness. Now is *the* time for persons who live, work, or worship in Lancaster to weigh in for racial and educational justice.

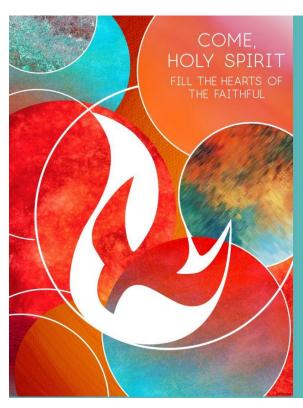
A critical step is supporting fair funding is our presence. On **May 11at 6:30PM**, Lancaster City Council will be meeting via zoom and we're invited! Join us as we Affirm the Council's resolution apprising Harrisburg legislators that Lancaster is behind her kids, and behind all the kids of PA. The City Council resolution is expected to pass unanimously! Mayor Sorace says people-momentum is crucial for this declaration to land optimum impact in Harrisburg. If you would like to join Matt+ and I please email me at <u>Amanda@stjohns-lancaster.org</u>.

Please click the zoom link below to join the City Council Meeting: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/93589140977?pwd=U1E0R0U5WDJUdkNwdmdrS1Y3OVhUUT09">https://zoom.us/j/93589140977?pwd=U1E0R0U5WDJUdkNwdmdrS1Y3OVhUUT09</a>

**Meeting ID:** 9358 914 0977 **Passcode:** 341818

## Women's Gathering—Sunday, May 23

On Sunday May 23rd, we would like to meet in person at Longs Park (Weather permitting!) We will meet at the picnic tables across from the amphitheater at 1:00 pm. Bring your chairs, blankets, or whatever you want for hanging out. Feel free to bring your lunch and picnic at the park. We hope to see many of you in person for some long needed catching up in person! For more information, please contact Karen DiPace.



# Pentecost Celebration

SUNDAY, MAY 23

Join us for a festive celebration as we give thanks for our graduates, Sunday School teachers, and the gift of the Holy Spirit!

Don't forget to wear RED!!!

## Parish Meeting regarding Concord Street Properties May 23 at 11:00 am



We will be holding an open meeting on Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 AM in the Parish Hall for everyone interesting in the future use of our Concord Street Properties. In addition, we will have a zoom link available for those unable to be physically present. The plan is to have a 30-minute presentation on the properties, and then 30 minutes for questions and discussion.

The hope is that after this meeting, and further discussion and discernment within the Vestry, we will decide as to the future use of these properties at our upcoming Vestry meetings.

#### **OUR MINISTERS**

All Baptized Members

The Rt. Rev. Audrey C. Scanlan, Diocesan Bishop

The Rev. Amanda Knouse, Rector amanda@stjohns-lancaster.org

The Rev. Matt MacDougall, Associate Rector matt@stjohns-lancaster.org

The Rev. Stacey Catigano, Deacon scatigano@gmail.com

#### VESTRY

Webb Cook (Senior Warden), Leslie Morgan (Junior Warden), Debbie Carter, John Gouveia, Annie Lattanzio Hale, Tim Huber, Molly Moyer, Marylee Sauder, Mary Waskowicz, Joe Way

#### STAFF

Equilla Curry, Parish Administrator
Gina Keiser, Financial Secretary
Richard Kuhn, Sexton
Ben McNaboe, Interim Organist
Maria Weaver-Hollowniczky, Nursery and Security

## PRIESTS AND CANONS ASSOCIATED WITH ST. JOHN'S

Canon William F. Honaman, DHL The Rev. Faith D'Urbano The Rev. Elizabeth Mollard

#### SERVING AT THE LITURGY

Celebrant The Rev. Matt MacDougall Preacher The Rev. Amanda Knouse

Server Greyson Way Crucifer Glenn Miller

Torches Claire Thompson, Graham Welaish

Lector Ken Kiedrowski

Litanist Sue Zuke

Altar Guild Leslie Tahsler, Claire Phillips

Web Streaming Joe Way

Ushers Lenwood Jackson, Charlie Rahe

GROW IN GOD, ACT IN SERVICE, WITNESS IN LOVE