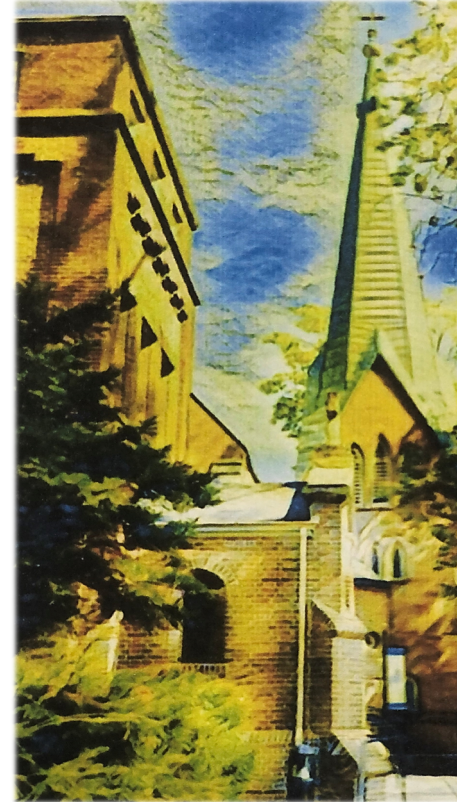


**THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF  
HOLY EUCHARIST: R  
MAY 15<sup>TH</sup> AT 10:15 .**



Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We pray you  
through our worship and fellowship. For those who  
restrooms can be found on the other side of the parish  
the back of the church and can answer any questions  
worship, Sunday School takes place at 9:00 a.m. and  
exist between and after our services. Thank you for b

**PRELUDE***Prelude on "Morecambe"**David H Hegarty***OPENING HYMN***Glorious Things of Thee are spoken***HYMN 522****OPENING ACCLAMATION** *(please remain standing)**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.*

**A SONG OF PRAISE***Glory to you***HYMN S-236****THE COLLECT OF THE DAY***Celebrant* The Lord be with you.*People* *And also with you.**Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**THE FIRST LESSON:** Acts 11:1-8 *(please be seated)*

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying,



## WELCOME

Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We are glad you are here. Please tell us a little bit about yourself by clicking the QR Code or by filling out a pew card and placing it in the offertory plate.

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The Rev. Faith D'Urbano  
The Rev. Elizabeth Mollard

close I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles  
heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.'  
Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered m  
voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clear  
happened three times; then everything was pulled up aga  
moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at  
Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinct  
six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the m  
had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Ser  
who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which  
will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit f  
us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the L  
baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the H  
the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lo  
could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were sile  
saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the rep

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

**PSALM 148** (read responsively)

1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; \*  
praise him in the heights.

2 Praise him, all you angels of his; \*

praise him, all his host.

3 Praise him, sun and moon; \*

praise him, all you shining stars.

4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, \*

and you waters above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord; \*

for he commanded, and they were created.

6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; \*

he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

7 Praise the Lord from the earth, \*

you sea-monsters and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, \*

**GROW IN GOD, ACT IN SERVICE, WITNESS IN LOVE**

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- fruit trees and all cedars;  
 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, \*  
     creeping things and winged birds;  
 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, \*  
     princes and all rulers of the world;  
 12 Young men and maidens, \*  
     old and young together.  
 13 Let them praise the Name of the Lord, \*  
     for his Name only is exalted,  
     his splendor is over earth and heaven.  
 14 He has raised up strength for his people  
     and praise for all his loyal servants, \*  
     the children of Israel, a people who are near him.  
 Hallelujah!

**THE SECOND LESSON:** Revelation 21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

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

**GRADUAL HYMN**

*We know that Christ is raised*

**HYMN 296**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL:** John 13:31-35 (*please remain standing*)

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

**Today**

- 8:00 a.m.      Holy Eucharist: Rite I  
 9:00 a.m.      Sunday School  
 10:15 a.m.     Holy Eucharist: Rite II  
 12:00 p.m.     Vestry Meeting

**Monday, May 16**

- 6:00 p.m.      Daughters of the King

**Tuesday, May 17**

- 1:30 p.m.      Martha's Ministry  
 2:30 p.m.      Food Pantry  
 5:00 p.m.      Dance Mosaic

**Wednesday, May 18**

- 12:00 p.m.     HE:II with Healing  
 \* No Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**Thursda**

- 9:00 a.m.  
 2:30 p.m.

**Saturda**

- 9:00 a.m.

**Sunday,**

- 8:00 a.m.  
 9:00 a.m.  
 10:15 a.m.

**Weekly**

- AA: Tue  
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# Connecting to our siblings in Christ across the world

Did you know St. John's has a team of pilgrims who travel every week to the very places we pray for in the Anglican communion? Follow John as he shares a little bit about the church and the places he visits!

Dear Pastor Amanda,

I find myself in Aberdeen Scotland, which has a very important connection in history to

the Episcopal Church in America. As the children will know, the Episcopal Church is

rooted in the Anglican Church of England. As the children will also know, America

started out as colonies of England. It gained its independence following the revolution of

1776, and from that time on Americans no longer pledged loyalty or allegiance to the

King of England. That caused a problem in the Episcopal Church because there were no

bishops in America, and the only way someone could become a bishop was to be

consecrated by other bishops and the Church of England required new bishops to pledge

allegiance to the King. The leaders of the church in the newly independent country of

America refused to pledge allegiance to King George III, so what to do? The answer lay

in Scotland, where the Episcopal Church was strong and the Scots bishops had no loyalty

to the English royal family. And so it was on November 14, 1784, that Samuel Seabury

was consecrated as America's first bishop in Aberdeen Scotland, begotten, not made,

America to carry on the episcopate tradition, an unbroken lineage linking the original

apostles of Jesus to the clergy and members of today's church. For us and for our salvation

Scotland is remembered still today in the Episcopal USA flag. The white crosses on the

blue field are a nod to Scotland's national saltire flag with the cross of St. Andrew. Our

history is rich, and interwoven with that of our friends here in Scotland. It's good to

include them in your prayers today.

Blessings always,

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said,

glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has

little bit about the church and will glorify him at once.

only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to

'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new c

another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love o

know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one

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

## THE SERMON

### THE NICENE CREED (Please stand)

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

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 (*The leader and people kneel*)

Father, in our Diocesan and Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Mount Joy, St. John's Episcopal Church, Bellefonte, and the Scottish Episcopal Church. 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; especially Justin, our Bishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey, our Diocesan Bishop; Stacey, and Jen, our pastors;  
*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; our President; Tom, our Governor; Danene, our Mayor; those serving in the military; and those in Ukraine.  
*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 Sharon Engle, Carl, Charlie, Chase, Claire Phillips, Dave Phillips, Emily Lavender, John Symonds, Karan, Kenneth Robert, Maria, Tina, and Tiny Nolan, Tetiana, Aleksandr, Oleksandr, Valerie Lucci;

## GOOD NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ.  
*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

**POSTLUDE** *Tocatta on "The God of Abraham"*

**BCP 387**



The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance of that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION**

*The Episcopal Church invites all who seek God to our Lord's table. If you wish to receive, please come forward to the altar rail when the usher in hands to receive the bread. For the wine, one chalice will be for intinction. You can receive by guiding the chalice to your lip wafer to the Lay Eucharistic Minister who will intinct and hand not wish to receive the wine, cross your arms over your chest when the wine passes. If you desire a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest.*

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.

*Celebrant* Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things, accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**THE PEACE**

**COMMUNION HYMN**

*Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless*  
*Celebrant*  
*People*

**HYMN 343**

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

**SENDING FORTH OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS**

*Celebrant* In the name of God and on behalf of this parish, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body.  
*People* Because we all share one bread, one cup.

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST**  
*Stand Up, and Bless the Lord*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

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 DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below,  
Praise God for all that love has wrought  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, Holy Ghost.*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And also with you.  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* We lift them to the Lord.

**THE BLESSING**

May God's extravagant love consume you, Christ's life and passion inspire you, and the Holy Spirit compel you to do ordinary things with extraordinary love, and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

I, and give thanks to the Lord our God.  
and the blessing of God  
to give God thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you the living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before

life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your presence, and 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 sing,

**THE SANCTUS**

*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.*

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption, his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection, and, beholding his hand awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.*

**HYMNAL 8-129**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit descend upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of Christ.

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 our 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.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one blood, united in the sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember us, O Lord, and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints, whom you have sent in you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory be to you, God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, he 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 in remembrance of me."

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

After supper he took the cup of wine: and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them