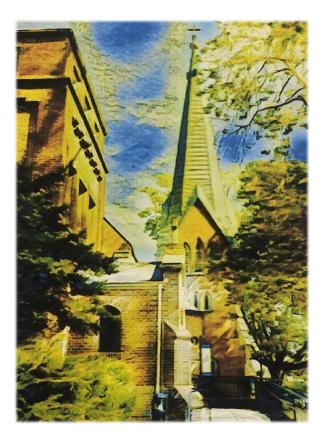
THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II MAY 22ND AT 10:15 A.M.



Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We pray you experience the love of God through our worship and fellowship. For those who are new to our community, restrooms can be found on the other side of the parish hall. Ushers are stationed at the back of the church and can answer any questions you may have. In addition to worship, Sunday School takes place at 9:00 a.m. and opportunities for fellowship exist between and after our services. Thank you for being here!

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE Prière à Notre-Dame Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)

OPENING HYMN Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise HYMN 423

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.

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 16:9-15 (please be seated)

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia

and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 67 (read responsively)

1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, * show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

2 Let your ways be known upon earth, * your saving health among all nations.

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; * let all the peoples praise you.

4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, * for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.

5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; * let all the peoples praise you.

6 The earth has brought forth her increase; * may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

7 May God give us his blessing, * and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

THE SECOND LESSON: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On

either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

Love divine, all loves excelling

HYMN 657

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 14:23-29 (please remain standing)

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON JEN TRENARY

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Form III (The leader and people kneel)

BCP 387

Father, in our Diocesan and Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for Calvary Chapel, Beartown, St James Episcopal Church, Muncy, and the Church of the Province of South East Asia. 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, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey, our Diocesan Bishop; and Amanda, 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; especially Joe, our President; Tom, our Governor; Danene, our Mayor; those serving in the Armed Forces; 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 Angelica, Bill and Sharon Engle, Carl, Charlie, Claire Phillips, Dave Pennell, David Moses, Emily Lavender, Hannah Andersson, John Symonds, Karan, Kenneth Robert, Maria, Megan, Sandy Grove, Tiny Nolan, Tetiana, Alexsandr, Oleksandr; *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.

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

THE DOXOLOGY *Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. **OLD 100TH**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D BCP 372

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe 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 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.

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.

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 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 HYMN S-149

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION

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.

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 indicates. Hold out your hands to receive the bread. For the wine, one chalice will be for drinking only, another for intinction. You can receive by guiding the chalice to your lips or by handing your wafer to the Lay Eucharistic Minister who will intinct and hand it back to you. If you do 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.

Communion Hymn Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing Hymn 334

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.

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

May God's extravagant love consume you, Christ's life and passion inspire you, and the 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*.

CLOSING HYMN All hail the power of Jesus' Name HYMN 450

GOOD NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DISMISSAL BCP 366

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE Preludium in C Major (BWV 531) JS Bach (1685-1750)

St John's would like to welcome back Tyler Harnsberger as our substitute organist this morning!

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. JOHN'S:

Today – Graduation Sunday

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. J2A Pilgrimage Lunch

6:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting

Monday, May 23

Clergy Conference

Tuesday, May 24

Clergy Conference

1:30 p.m. Martha's Ministry

2:30 p.m. Food Pantry 5:00 p.m. Dance Mosaic

Wednesday, May 25

Clergy Conference

12:00 p.m. HEII with Healing

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 26

9:00 a.m. Minister's Meeting

2:30 p.m. Food Pantry

Sunday, May 29

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite I 9:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite II 11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hour

Weekly Support Ministries

AA: Tues. - 6:00 p.m.

NA: Mon., Wed., & Fri. - 12:00 p.m.

NA: Thur. & Sat. - 6:30 p.m.

Congrats to our Grads!







Julia Hale

Aidan Cliff

Evan Sipe







Julia Loose

Brooks Morgan

Emily Sipe







Lauren Waskowicz

Kendall Morgan

Natalie Visco

St. John's Traveler Letter: 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!

Here's a fun new word: antipode. It's the place that is halfway around the Earth from wherever you are, and I'm not far from the antipode of Lancaster Pennsylvania. I'm in Borneo, which is part of the Church of the Province of South East Asia. This province includes Singapore and West Malaysia, along with the Kuching and Sabah regions of Borneo. The Anglican church here is far reaching, with worship and programs in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Thailand, Indonesia, and parts of Nepal. And that's all on the other side of the world from Lancaster. Singapore is thought of as one of the most diverse religious nations in the world, with many people following Christian, Muslim, Buddhist, and Hindu faiths and traditions. The exciting news in the Anglican Province is that three years ago they elected Bishop Melter J. Tais to be the Archbishop of this Province, and he is the first indigenous person from Borneo elected to this leadership position. He is not an outsider from Europe or North America. He is from here, and he is of here, and that means the world to the people here. The church has its foundation in Anglican traditions and worship, and at the same time it is welcoming the traditions of these lands and these people and their ancestors. The church here is similar to St. John's, and it is different at the same time. It's a wonderful dynamic, and wonderful to be here. I hope you'll join with these folks in prayer this Sunday.

Blessings always,

Dear Pastor Amanda,

John Traveler.

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 is in the offertory plate.

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