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**ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
AND PARISH DAY SCHOOL**

*We, as the St. John's Church community, strive to bring all people
to a closer relationship with God and each other in Jesus Christ.*



*Called to Serve
and Be Served*

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

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9:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

H ~ The Hymnal 1982

S ~ Service Music (*first section of The Hymnal 1982*)

BCP ~ Book of Common Prayer

LEVAS ~ Lift Every Voice and Sing

WLP ~ Wonder, Love, and Praise

Organ Voluntary at the Prelude

Organ Voluntary on "Hyfrydol"

Paul Manz

Welcome

THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn at the Procession

Love divine, all loves excelling

H 657

Hyfrydol

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.
- 2 Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be alway blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.
- 3 Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

The Acclamation

BCP 355

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: *The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

The Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Gloria

S 278

Glory to God

William Mathias

- 1 Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
- 2 Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
- 3 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
- 4 you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;
- 5 you are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.
- 6 For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
- 7 you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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.

People: *Amen.*

The Lessons: *(please be seated)*

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter (3:13-22)

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put

to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 66:7-18 (*read in unison*)

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples;
 make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life,
 and will not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us;
 you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare;
 you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
 we went through fire and water;
 but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
 and will pay you my vows,
 which I promised with my lips
 and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
 with the smoke of rams;
 I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God,
 and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth,
 and his praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart,
 the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me;
 he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,
 nor withheld his love from me.

Hymn at the Sequence

H 694
Lytlington

God be in my head

God be in my head,
and in my understanding;

God be in mine eyes,
and in my looking;

God be in my mouth,
and in my speaking;

God be in my heart,
and in my thinking;

God be at mine end,
and at my departing.

The Gospel

John 14:15-21

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

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Hymn after the Gospel

H 694
Lytlington

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God be in my head,
and in my understanding;

God be in mine eyes,
and in my looking;

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and at my departing.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Katrina L. Grusell

The Nicene Creed

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.
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 IV

BCP 388

(remain standing; lines in italics spoken by the People)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good; remembering especially Donald our

President; the Congress of the United States; the United Nations; Larry, our Governor, and Allan, our County Executive; and all who hold public office. We pray for our armed forces at home and around the world.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our presiding bishop; Eugene and Chilton our bishops; and for all lay people, bishops, priests and deacons.

In the parish prayer cycle, we give thanks for our Pastoral Care Commission; for our Parish Day School; for our mission partners in Kenya Connect; for our mission partners in Cuttack, the Church of North India; and for all who minister in and through St. John's.

We pray for all those participating in St. John's Bible Challenge, especially Lauren Brown, David Bunnell, Peggy Burrows, Christine Carrington, and Joe Chen. May their hearts and minds be enlivened in their daily reading of God's Word.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

For all the blessings of this life, we thank you, Lord. The flowers on the altar are given in thanksgiving of Jennifer Beebe Hornor on her 18th birthday. We give thanks for our youth and young adults preparing to graduate from high school and college. I invite your own prayers of thanksgiving, silently or aloud.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for all refugees, especially those fleeing Syria. We pray for all victims of violence; and for all who work for peace with justice. I invite your own prayers of petition, silently or aloud.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died; especially especially David Rollo, Eleanor Douglas Payne, Carol Willasch, Elbert Arrington, Beverly Maples, Sam & Beth Lancelotta, Joy Jesse Nelson, Christian Louzan, Ruth Rich, and Mary Louise Bishop; that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

(The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect)

The Confession is omitted due to the celebratory nature of the Great Fifty Days of Eastertide.

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.

Invitations

Offertory Sentence

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. For everything in heaven and on earth is yours. Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom, and you are exalted as head over all.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Instrumental Ensemble at the Offertory

Hymn at the Presentation

H 178; vs. 1-2

Alleluia No. 1

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give Praise to his Name.

1 Jesus is Lord of all the earth.

He is the King of creation.

Refrain

2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Jesus has died and has risen.

Refrain

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B *(remain standing)*

BCP 367

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 our 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. 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 destroyed death, and by 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:

Sanctus (*sung by Celebrant and People*)

S 128

William Mathias

Holy, holy, holy Lord

*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.

(The Celebrant continues)

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People: *We remember his death,
 We proclaim his resurrection,
 We await his coming in glory;*

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. John and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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:

The Lord's Prayer (*in unison*)

BCP 364

*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 Fraction

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

COMMUNION

This is God's Table, and at this Table, God feeds us and blesses us with what we need to be the Church, Christ's body in the world. In the Episcopal Church, children as well as adults receive Communion, for together we are the Body of Christ. Guidance for receiving Communion is found on the last page of this bulletin.

Organ Voluntary at the Communion

Sending Forth of the Eucharistic Visitor

Celebrant: In the name of God and of this congregation, I send you to those who are home bound, that they may share with us in Christ's body and blood.

People: *We who are many are one body, because we share one bread and one cup.*

Prayer Following Communion *(all pray together)*

BCP 366

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: *Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

Recognition of High School Seniors

Easter Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, 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.

Hymn at the Closing

All creatures of our God and King

H 400; vs. 1-3

Lasst uns erfreuen

- 1 All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voices, let us sing:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Bright burning sun with golden beams,
pale silver moon that gently gleams,
*O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*
- 2 Great rushing winds and breezes soft,
you clouds that ride the heavens aloft,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice,
stars nightly shining, find a voice,
Refrain
- 3 Swift flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for your Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Fire, so intense and fiercely bright,
you give to us both warmth and light,
Refrain

Dismissal

As we prepare to enter our mission field, please turn to face the rear doors for the Dismissal.

Celebrant: Alleluia, Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Organ Voluntary at the Postlude

Variation on "Aurelia"

Charles Ore



+ Laying on of Hands for Healing +

If you or one you care about would benefit from special prayers of healing, guidance, or thanksgiving; please kneel at the prayer desks near the altar rail during communion, or, at the altar rail after the dismissal.

HOLY COMMUNION AT ST. JOHN'S

Everyone is welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a Blessing. Either standing or kneeling at the altar rail, receive the bread with open hands extended. When receiving the wine, you may sip from the chalice or intinct (dip) your bread in the wine.

To receive a Blessing instead of Communion, cross your hands across your chest. The minister will affirm God's blessing on you.

If you have not been baptized, we warmly encourage you to speak to a member of the clergy about this important sacramental step in your journey of faith.



The Rt. Rev. John L. Rabb, *Interim Rector*
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