

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
MAY 21, 2017 — SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: ROGATION
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II — 10:00 A.M.

THE WORD OF GOD



Hearing-assistance devices are available — simply request one from an usher.

GATHERING MUSIC *Grave* from ‘*Violin Sonata No. 2 in A minor*’ J.S. Bach

Let us quiet our hearts and minds as we prepare for worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand, as able, at the sound of the chimes.

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

HYMNAL #291 *We Plow the Fields and Scatter* WIR PFLUGEN

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

1. Glo-ry to God in the
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, hea
 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.

COLLECT FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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.

Please be seated.

St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church
Christmas Worship
December 24, 4 pm & 10 pm
December 25, 10 am

FIRST READING Acts 17: 22-31 (*pew Bible, p. 1012*)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *For the Beauty of the Earth* John Rutter

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
 For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
 Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light: *Lord of all,*
 For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
 Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: *Lord of all,*
 For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given,
 Graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heav'n: *Lord of all,*

SECOND READING 1 Peter 3: 13-22 (*pew Bible, p. 1107*)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as able, for the hymn and Gospel procession.

SERMON

A period of silence is observed following the sermon.

NICENE CREED Book of Common Prayer, p. 358 *standing, if able*

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER *seated*

First time: Godly Play participants

Second / third times: All

God be in my head, and in my understand-ing.

God be in my eyes, and in my look-ing.

God be in my mouth, and in my speak-ing.

God be in my hands and in my dó-ing.

God be in my feet and in my gó-ing.

God be in my heart, and in my lóv-ing.

God is with me now and ál-ways.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *standing or kneeling*

First petition response will be sung by Godly Play participants, thereafter by all

Reader Risen Christ,

People **You are with us; we are one.**

Reader Gracious God:

All **By your love you have called us to proclaim with joy**

the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him, that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

(Collect for St. John's)

Please stand, if able.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with those around you.

WELCOME *Please be seated.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are invited to share at the Lord's table. At the altar railing you may stand or kneel to receive the bread and the wine. You may drink from the cup or touch the bread to the wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing, you may indicate so by crossing your arms. The common loaf is gluten-free.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

ANTHEM *Sicut Cervus* Palestrina

*Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum, As the deer longs for the stream,
 Ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Domine. So longs my soul for thee, O God.*

PRESENTATION *sung by all, standing if able* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
 Praise him, all creatures here below, Alleluia, alleluia!
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host,**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER C

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.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds we are healed.**

Celebrant Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS Wm. Mathias
sung by all

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

Please remain standing or kneel, according to your custom.

Celebrant And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
All **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant God of our Parents and Prophets: God of Esther, Naomi, and Ruth; God of Samuel, Elijah, and Isaiah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes ... that we may worthily serve the world in his name.
People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread.**

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ, our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.
People **AMEN.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
All **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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION MUSIC

ANTHEM *If Ye Love Me* Thomas Tallis
 If ye love me, keep my commandments; and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he will abide with you forever, e'en the Spirit of truth.

HYMNAL #488 *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

HYMNAL #292 *O Jesus, Crowned With All Renown* KINGSFOLD

HYMNAL #385 *Many and Great, O God* DAKOTA CHANT

HYMNAL #513 *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song* BRIDEGROOM

SENDING FORTH OUR EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS (as applicable)

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, 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.
People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *said by all, kneeling or standing*

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.

Please stand as able for the closing hymns.

HYMNAL #400 *All Creatures of Our God and King* LASST UNS ERFREUEN
 (stanzas 1, 4, 5, and 7 only)

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Deacon Our worship here is ended; now let our service begin. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

VOLUNTARY *Fantasy on 'LASST UNS ERFREUEN'* Jayson R. Engquist

You are invited to listen to the voluntary in the choir stalls.

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TODAY WE PRAY WITH

Lorne, Chase, Mitch, Mae, Kathleen, Glori, Joan, Patricia, Amy, Irene, Kirby, Christopher, Jacki, Russ, Scott, Galen, Ginny, Camille, Susan, Christopher, Sydney, Sara, Sandy, Norma, Ann, Mildred, and those you would add.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In thanksgiving for the lives of Forest Jerome Clark and Lawrence Ward.

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE

CELEBRANT *The Reverend Kate Bradtmiller*
 PREACHER *The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson*
 DEACON *The Reverend Margaret Thor*
 ALTAR GUILD *Diane Power, Paige Hagstrom, Sue MacIntosh, Chris Matter, Ginny Schauss, Sarah K. Smith, Lindsey Williams*

VIOLINIST *Archie Brown, Artaria String School student*
 ADULT CHOIR *Jayson R. Engquist, Director of Music & Organist*
 YOUTH CHOIR *Heather Hunt, Director*
 GODLY PLAY PARTICIPANTS *Jean Hansen, Children, Youth, & Family Director*
 ACOLYTES *Matt Brooks, Will Rinkoff, Ailsa Schmidt, Elliot Wall*

READERS *Keith Davis, Joan Potter*
 VERGER *Eli Weinkauff*
 USHERS *Cammie Beattie, Patty Byrne Pfalz, Barbara Lindeke, Shirley Sailors*

GREETERS *Jeff & Peggy Olsen, Colleen Swope*
 COFFEE HOUR *Paige & Gary Hagstrom; Don Postema*

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