

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH



MAY 3, 2015

10:00 A.M.

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
HOLY EUCHARIST (RITE II)**

THE WORD OF GOD

The opening music offers a time for prayer and meditation. Please silence all devices.

GATHERING MUSIC

Benedictus

Max Reger

(Please stand, if able, as the chime tolls three times.)

OPENING SALUTATION AND RESPONSE

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

HYMNAL #47

On This Day, the First of Days

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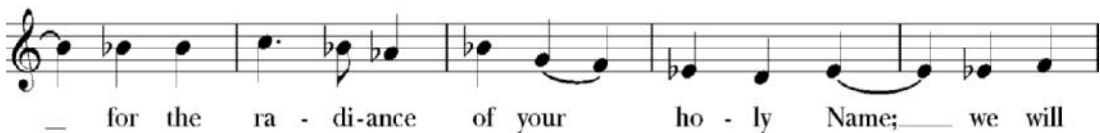
COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

BENEDICTUS ES, DOMINE

John Rutter



praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to

you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -

ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

Descant
5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the

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hold-ing the depths; in the high vault of
depths; in the high vault of hea-ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you,
you. 6. Glo - ry to you, Fa - ther,

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will
Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and

high-ly ex - alt you Glo-ry to you!
high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

COLLECT OF THE DAY *(said by the Celebrant)*

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.

People **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON **Acts 8:26-40**

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.
In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Reader
People

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

(Please remain seated for the psalm, sung by all.)

PSALM 22: 24-30 *Deus, Deus meus*

William Henry Walter



24 My praise is of him in the / great as-/sembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of / those who / worship / him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the /
LORD shall / praise him: *
"May your / hēart / live for / ever!

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and / turn · to the / LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall / bow be- / fōre / him.

27 For kingship be- / longs · to the / LORD; *
he / rūles / over · the / nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow / down in / worship; *
all who go down to the dust / fall be- / fōre / him.

29 My soul shall live for him; my de- / scendants · shall / serve him; *
they shall be known as the / LORD'S for / ēv- / er.

30 They shall come and make known to a people / yet un- / born *
the saving / deeds that / he has / done.

(text found at Hymnal #405)

EPISTLE **1 John 4:7-21** *(remaining seated)*

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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

(Please stand, if able, for the Gospel procession during the next hymn.)

(Stanzas 1 and 2 are sung before the Gospel reading; stanza 3 is sung after the reading.)

*Gospeller
People*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL

John 15:1-8 (*standing, if able*)

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

*Gospeller
People*

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

SERMON

A period of silence is observed following the sermon.

NICENE CREED

(standing, if able)

**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 (*standing or kneeling, according to your custom*)

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

COLLECT FOR ST. JOHN'S (*said by all*)

Reader Gracious God:

People **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.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
(*silence*)

(*said by all*)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you,
forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE (*standing, if able*)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (*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. Gluten-free wafers are available on request of the minister distributing bread.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

(Please be seated.)

ANTHEM

Look There!

William Albright

(The text may be found in the Hymnal at #196.)

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:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

(Book of Common Prayer , p. 361)

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.**

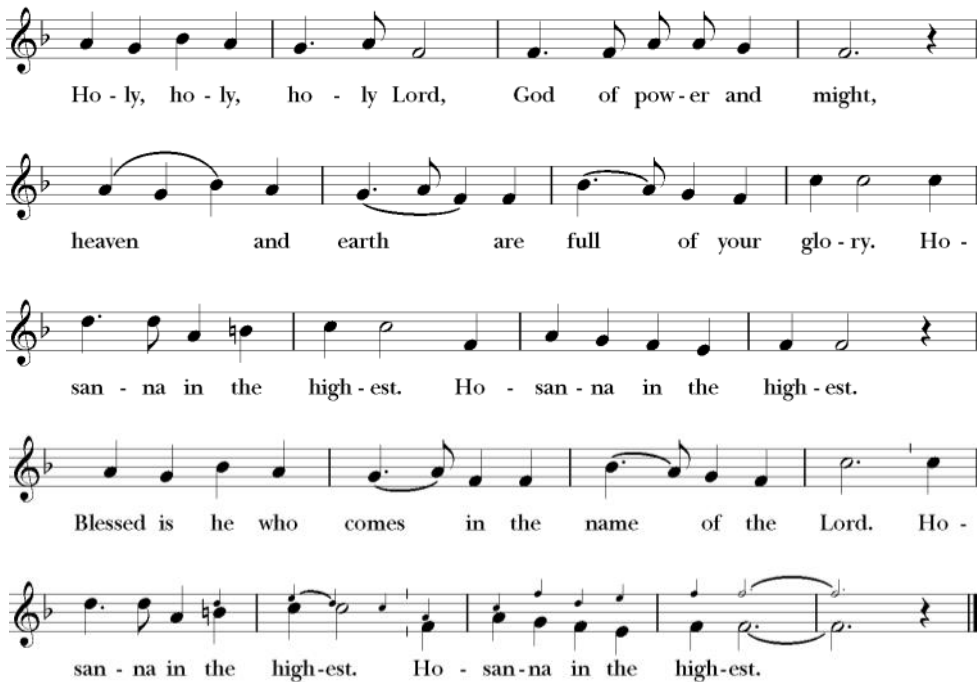
Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth ... 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 ET BENEDICTUS *(sung by all)*

Richard Proulx



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

(Please remain standing or kneel, according to your custom.)

(Celebrant continues)

Holy and gracious Father . . .
He stretched out his arms upon the cross . . .
On the night he was handed over to suffering and death . . .
After supper he took the cup of wine . . .
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

***Celebrant and
People***

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

(Celebrant continues)

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption . . .
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit . . .
All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ.

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.

People

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

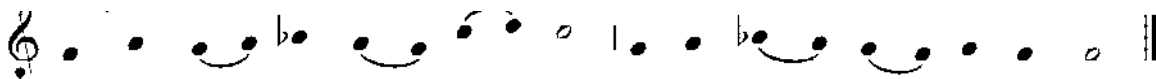
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

Mason Martens

Antiphon—*All:*




Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Men:




1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,




is the com - mun - ion of the ho - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

Women and children:



2. One ho - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

Celebrant

The gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION MUSIC

HYMNAL #379	<i>God Is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him</i>	ABBOT'S LEIGH
HYMNAL #392	<i>Come, We That Love the Lord</i>	VINEYARD HAVEN
HYMNAL #487	<i>Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life</i>	THE CALL
HYMNAL #297	<i>Descend, O Spirit</i>	ERHALT UNS, HERR

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *(said by all, kneeling or standing according to your custom)*

**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.**

(Please stand, if able, for the closing hymn.)

HYMNAL #448	<i>O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High</i>	DEUS TUORUM MILITUM
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BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

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

VOLUNTARY	<i>Toccata</i>	Max Reger
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(You are invited to move forward to the choir stalls for the final music.)

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS—MAY 3, 2015 AT 10:00 A.M.

CELEBRANT	The Reverend Kate Bradtmiller
PREACHER	The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson
DEACON	The Reverend Margaret Thor
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND ORGANIST	Jayson R. Engquist
ST. JOHN'S ADULT CHOIR	
ST. JOHN'S CHILDREN'S & YOUTH CHOIRS	Mary Kay Knapp, Director
ALTAR GUILD	Pam Strom, Kathy Brown, Sue Cadwell, Shirlee Gooch, Sue MacIntosh
VERGER	Bob Linehan
READERS	Troy Stack-Nelson, Jill Thompson
ACOLYTES	Tim Krall, Caroline Krall, Linnea Krall, Sabine Krall
USHERS	Jay Debertin, Julia Ferguson, Rick Rinkoff, Shirley Sailors
GREETERS	Suzanne McInroy, Don Weinkauff, Jerry Woelfel
COFFEE HOUR	Godly Play Families



THE PRAYERS

PRAYER REQUESTS

Annie, Anna, Ian, Sarah, Evan, Pat, Mitch, Richard, Shaunessy, Kathleen, and Linda.

ONGOING PRAYERS FOR

Pat, Millie, Peter, Ginny, Jack, Camille, Susan, Terry, Christopher, Marge, and Amy.

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

The Middle East; refugees and those who serve them.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In thanksgiving for the life of Robert C. Merrill, Christina Ward.

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Pray for Ngbo, Nigeria; for the Most Rev. and Rt. Hon. Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; for the Most Rev. Dr. Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop; and for the Rt. Rev. Brian N. Prior, Bishop of the Episcopal Church in Minnesota.

IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN MINNESOTA'S CYCLE OF PRAYER

Pray for all academic graduates, for all educational institutions, and for the specialized chaplaincies in those institutions. Remember especially our School for Formation, Breck School and Shattuck-St. Mary's and their chaplains, and all those who work with campus ministries. Parish of St. Philip's in Rice Lake

AT ST. JOHN'S

Kayoro Village, Uganda; Holy Apostles, our companion parish; Hearts to Homes families.

WELCOME

GUESTS

We are delighted that you have come to St. John's to worship God this morning. If this is your first time here, please fill out a guest card and place it in the offering plate, or sign the Visitor's Book at the back of the church. We invite you to make St. John's your church home. Join us downstairs in the Gathering Space, directly beneath the church, for refreshments and fellowship after this service.

NURSERY

St. John's welcomes everyone, including children of all ages, to attend the worship service. For children age 5 and younger, parents can also choose to use the nursery. Care is provided starting at 9:00 am in the Undercroft, right beneath the sanctuary. If, for any reason, you and your child need to leave the church during the service, you can still hear the service in the Undercroft and Nursery. Simply ask the nursery attendant to adjust the sound. During Coffee Hour, nursery workers will supervise children who want to play in the gym. To reach the gym, follow the hall past the music room and through the double doors.

RESTROOMS

Located in the lower level Undercroft down any set of stairs.

THANK YOU

For silencing cell phones and other electronic equipment. Please do not use flash cameras during the worship service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please refer to announcement insert for upcoming events.

WEEKLY CALENDAR*

Sunday, May 3—The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist Rite I	8:00 am	Church
St. John's Cafe	9:00 am	Library
Sunday Forum	9:00 am	Fireside Room
Children's Choir Rehearsal	9:00 am	Music Room
Adult Choir Rehearsal	9:00 am	Chancel
Sung Eucharist Rite II	10:00 am	Church
Coffee Hour	11:15 am	Gathering Space
Confirmation Preparation	1:00 pm	Green Room

Monday, May 4

Cooking Matters	5:30 pm	Gym Kitchen
Men's Alanon	6:00 pm	Meditation Room
Ramsey Hill Neighborhood Association Meeting	7:00 pm	Gathering Space

Tuesday, May 5

Handbell Choir Rehearsal	5:45 pm	Music Room
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Wednesday, May 6

Prayer Shawl Gathering	9:30 am	Gathering Space
Bible Study	11:00 am	Library
Youth Choir Rehearsal	5:30 pm	Music Room
Recorder Consort Rehearsal	6:00 pm	Church
Youth Groups	6:15 pm	Gym Kitchen
Choir Sectionals Rehearsal	7:00 pm	Chapel
Adult Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm	Music Room

Thursday, May 7

Stories AA Meeting	6:00 pm	Fireside Room
Sung Compline	7:00 pm	Church

Saturday, May 9

Men's Breakfast	8:30 am	Gym Kitchen
Music Commission Meeting	10:00 am	Library
Holy Apostles Youth Fundraising Concert	5:00 pm	Church

Sunday, May 10—The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist Rite I	8:00 am	Church
St. John's Cafe	9:00 am	Library
Sunday Forum	9:00 am	Fireside Room
Children's Choir Rehearsal	9:00 am	Music Room
Adult Choir Rehearsal	9:00 am	Chancel
Godly Play	9:45 am	School
Sung Eucharist Rite II	10:00 am	Church
Coffee Hour	11:15 am	Gathering Space

*Please visit www.stjohnsstpaul.org/news-events/calendar/ for a full calendar of events.

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Craig Lemming, <i>Compline Coordinator</i>	857-891-8780
Mary Kay Knapp, <i>Children's and Youth Choirs Director</i>	515-991-8757
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Elizabeth Watkins, <i>Communications Assistant</i>	651-228-1172 x10
Dunfa Weretti, <i>Building Assistant</i>	612-545-7816

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Dorothy Ek, <i>Music Librarian</i>	651-228-1172 x38
Paul Rudoi, <i>Composer in Residence</i>	603-355-7429
Paige Hagstrom, <i>Coffee Hour Coordinator</i>	651-454-0016
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Joan Potter, <i>Liturgical & Lay Reader Coordinator</i>	651-228-1172 x10
Diane Power, <i>Altar Guild Coordinator</i>	651-222-1031
George Power, <i>Columbarium Coordinator</i>	651-222-1031
Jerry Woelfel, <i>Junior Warden</i>	651-283-7798