

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
MAY 1, 2016 - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II — 10:00 A.M.

THE WORD OF GOD

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

GATHERING MUSIC *Song of Peace* Jean Langlais

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 #400 *All Creatures of Our God and King*
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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.

People **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS # S-278 Wm. Mathias

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.**

(Please be seated after the Collect.)

FIRST READING **Acts 16: 9-15** (pew Bible, page 1011)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 67 (sung by all)

- 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 up-** • on / earth, * your saving / health a- / mong all / **nations**.
- 3 Let the peoples / **praise you**, • O / God; * let all the / peo-ples / **praise** / you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and / sing for / joy, * for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the / na-tions / up-on / earth.
- 5 Let the peoples / **praise you**, • O / God; * let all the / peo-ples / **praise** / you.
- 6 The earth has brought / forth her / **increase**; * may God, our own God, / **give** / us his / **blessing**. [to 2nd 1/2]
- 7 May God / **give us** • his / **blessing**, * and may all the ends of the earth / stand in / awe of / him.

ANTHEM *O Ye Badgers and Hedgehogs* A. Carter

SECOND READING **Revelation 21: 10, 22 - 22:5** (pew Bible, page 1134)

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

Please stand, as able, for the Alleluia verse and Gospel.

The Alleluia is sung first by the cantor, then repeated by all before and after a verse.

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

GOSPEL **John 14: 23-29** (pew Bible, page 985)

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **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)

Reader May the light of Christ shine.

People **May the light of Christ shine.**

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)

RECOGNITION AND WELCOMING OF NEW MEMBERS

Celebrant On behalf of St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church,
I formally recognize you as members of our congregation.

People **We welcome you to Saint John's.
What you have to give we gladly receive.
What you need from us we gladly offer.
We will be here to celebrate your joys
and comfort your sorrows.
Join us in our work and in our study,
as we sing and pray through the seasons and cycles
of our Christian life.
Together let us pattern our lives after Christ,
walking in his ways of compassion and justice,
inviting all people to God's holy table.**

New Members We accept your welcome
and are happy to join with you in this ministry.

THE PEACE (*standing, if able*)

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 *Peace I Leave With You* Knut Nystedt

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!**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A Book of Common Prayer, page 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, ...

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *(sung by all)* Mathias

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 continues)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, ...

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith,

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

(Celebrant continues)

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, ...

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,

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 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION

	COMMUNION MUSIC	
HYMNAL #292	<i>O Jesus, Crowned</i>	KINGSFOLD
HYMNAL #385	<i>Many and Great</i>	DAKOTA CHANT
HYMNAL #510	<i>Come, Holy Spirit</i>	ST. AGNES
HYMNAL #387	<i>We Sing of God</i>	MAGDALEN COLLEGE

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 hymn.

HYMNAL #210 *The Day of Resurrection* ELLACOMBE

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 *Thank We All Our God* Sigfrid Karg-Elert

(You are invited to move forward to the choir stalls for the final music.)

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TODAY WE PRAY WITH

Vicki, Elisa, Robert, Wimpy, Mae, Don, Jeanne, Ray, Val, Hank, Paul, Keith, Dorothy, Mary, Ransom, Bill, Nancy, Kathleen, Linda, Glen, Ann, Mildred, Joan, Patricia, Thelma, Norma, Irene, Pat, Steve, Ginny, Jack, Camille, Susan, Pat, Christopher, Amy, Annie, Tom Stanley and his platoon serving in Iraq, the Middle East, refugees and those who serve them, all whose lives have been shattered by violence and injustice, and those you would name.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In thanksgiving for the life of Robert C. Merrill.

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE

CELEBRANT	<i>The Reverend Kate Bradtmiller</i>
PREACHER	<i>The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson</i>
DEACON	<i>The Reverend Margaret Thor</i>
ALTAR GUILD	<i>Dusty Mairs, Shirley Cooper, Phyllis Frisby, Patty Byrne Pfalz, Phillip Baird, Bill Sherfey</i>
DIRECTOR AND ORGANIST	<i>Jayson R. Engquist</i>

ST. JOHN'S ADULT CHOIR	<i>Heather Hunt, Director</i>
ST. JOHN'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR	<i>Matt Brooks, Charlie Docherty, Will Rinkoff, Thea Bishop</i>
ACOLYTES	<i>Joan Potter, Chris Howie</i>

READERS	<i>Bill Sherfey</i>
VERGER	<i>Lynn Hertz, Barbara Lindeke, Jennifer Frost- Rosendale, Peter Rosendale, Cammie Beattie, Ella Slade, Don Weinkauff</i>
USHERS & GREETERS	<i>Godly Play Families</i>

COFFEE HOUR

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