

The 7th Sunday of Easter The Sunday after Ascension Day The Holy Eucharist Rite II The Order of Worship May 12, 2024, 10:15 a.m.

Voluntary

Prelude and fugue in G Major

J.S. Bach

Please stand

Hymn 214

Hail the day that sees him rise

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ is risen.PeopleThe Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Song of Praise S-278 *Glory to God in the Highest* - setting by William Mathias Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, 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 O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **People** *Amen.*

BCP 226

Please be seated

**** The First Lesson** Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

Pew Bible 1261

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

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

Psalm 1



Refrain: Sung by Cantor Repeated Refrain: Sung by all

 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful! Their delight is in the law of the LORD, * and they meditate on his law day and night.
REFRAIN
2 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
REFRAIN
5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

REFRAIN

The Second Lesson 1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Reader People	The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	Please stand
** Hymn	603 When Christ was lifted from the earth	r leuse siuna
The Gospe Celebrant People	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. Glory to you, Lord Christ. John 17:6-19	Pew Bible 1255

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

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

**** The Sermon** Bill Richter

Please be seated

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The Nicene Creed

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.

The Prayers of the People: Form VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

We pray for Joe our President, Greg our Governor; for our national, state and local government leaders and for this community, the nation, and the world; *For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury and the Church around the world especially....For Michael, Andy, Jeff, Hector and Kai our bishops, Bill and Celeste our priests, and for all bishops and other ministers; *For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation

For those who serve with the armed services, and their families, also we pray for the people of Ukraine.

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For all who suffer in mind, body or spirit, especially....Please add your own petitions either silently or aloud. Hear us, Lord; For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. For....Please add your own petitions either silently or aloud.

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, especially...that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; *Who put their trust in you.*

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

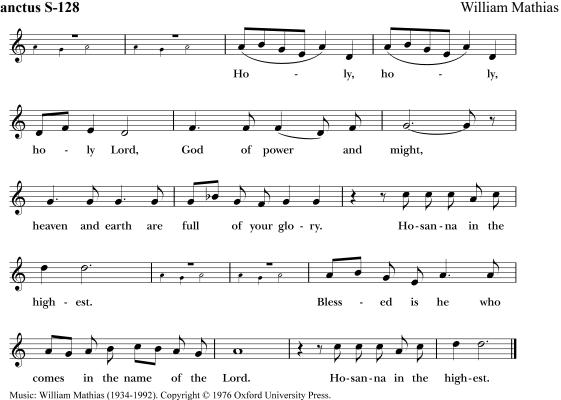
The Peace

Celebrant	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

Announcements		
The Offertory Sentence	The Holy Communion	
Offertory Anthem	Cantate Domino Good Shepherd Choir	Guiseppe Pitoni
		Please stand
Presentation Hymn prai	Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; se him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia. praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.	
The Great Thanksgiving	g Eucharistic Prayer D	BCP 372
Celebrant The Lord be wPeopleAnd also withCelebrant Lift up your hePeopleWe lift them toCelebrant Let us give thatPeopleIt is right to git	you. earts. o the Lord.	

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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 (say),



Sanctus S-128

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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 sorrow-ful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, de-stroyed 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.

Celebrant and People

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We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues

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 the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and 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

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

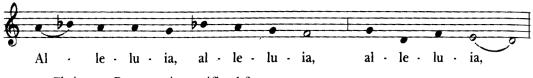
Celebrant and People

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 Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem: S-151

(The congregation will repeat the antiphon after the cantor, and where marked **R**.)



Cantor Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast. **R**

Celebrant 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.

- All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.
- All others are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.
- After receiving Holy Communion, healing prayers are available in the Chapel.
- The congregation is invited to sing the hymns with the choir.

Communion Music	<i>Jubilate</i> Good Shepherd Bell Choir	Dmitry Bortniansky
Communion Hymn R155	The gift of love	Please kneel
The Postcommunion Prayer		BCP 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People 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.

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Lay Eucharistic Visitors Commissioned (if LEVS sent out)

Celebrant and People In the name of this congregation, we 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, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Seasonal Bless	ing	Diago stand
Hymn 610	Lord, whose love through humble ser	vice Please stand
The Dismissal		BCP 366
Celebrant	Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth into the work spirit.	ld rejoicing in the power of the
People	Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!	
Voluntary	Sonata VI	Felix Mendelssohn

Allegro molto



Holy Eucharist Rite I Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Family Celebration Service Sunday 9:15 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II Sunday 10:15 a.m. Also on YOUTUBE AND FACEBOOK (Child care provided for infants through age 4 for all morning services)

Holy Eucharist Rite II Sunday 5:00 p.m.

Service Wednesday 12 noon Healing Prayer Service in the Chapel We will also have communion every fourth Wednesday.

> Service Thursdays 5 p.m. Prayers for Peace, Hope & Love on YOUTUBE AND FACEBOOK

Latest Budget Projections:	5/7/2024
Projected Revenue	\$ 986,544
Projected Expenses (Base Budget)	\$ 1,047,538
Projected Deficit (Base Budget)	(\$60,994)
Deficit Including 2nd Priest	(\$103,175)
Deficit Including Secretary	(\$115,585)

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