The Holy Eucharist
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Heritage Sunday

May 26, 2019

9:00 AM
Newcomers and visitors, the community of Saint Mark’s welcomes you. We hope that you will feel at home in this place and in this liturgy. Ushers are available during the liturgy as well as greeters and clergy following, should you have any questions or concerns. Mothers are most welcome to breastfeed their infants during the service. Children of any age are always welcome at Saint Mark’s liturgies. In addition, child care during services is available in the Child Care Center, located in the west end of the cathedral building. You may reach the Child Care Center through the southwest doors of the nave, or by taking the elevator to the 5th floor. Ushers will guide you.

In recent months the 9 a.m. Sunday Eucharist has been employing alternative liturgical texts. During Eastertide, we will continue to pray collects adapted from Dr. Steven Shakespeare’s Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2008), and we will use a Eucharistic Prayer adapted from the Book of Common Prayer of the Scottish Episcopal Church (1982).

Today we celebrate “Heritage Sunday”—a day on which we give thanks with special intention for all those who, through their faithful witness and presence in this place, laid down a legacy which we enjoy today. The names of some are lost to history; others are secure in the lore of the place. Many are here among us today, and they continue to inspire and lead us by word and example. Our preacher today is the Rt. Rev. Cabell “Cabby” Tennis, who served as the fourth Dean of Saint Mark’s Cathedral, 1972–1984, and later as Bishop of Delaware. The vestments worn today are from the collection of Bishop Ivol Ira Curtis (1909–1994) used at Saint Mark’s in the 1960s.

Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices. Please, no photography during the liturgy.

The Reverend Canon Nancy Ross, Canon for Cathedral Relations, Presider
The Right Reverend Cabell Tennis, former Dean of Saint Mark’s and retired Bishop of Delaware, Preacher

THE GATHERING

A bell tolling a few minutes before the hour bids all to keep silence for prayer and preparation.

As the opening hymn is introduced, all rise as able.

HYMN 522 Glorious things of thee are spoken ♩ The Hymnal 1982 #522
stanzas 1 & 2

TUNE: Austria

PASCHALTIDE ACCLAMATION

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.
Assembly The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider 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.

All Amen.
Everyone:

Gloria in excelsis

William Mathias (1934–1992)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.
Assembly And also with you.
Presider Let us pray.

Holy One,
you breathe the word of love and the promise of new creation
into the secret places of the soul,
opening heart to heart:
in the wildness of your Spirit,
teach us the costly way of fearless love and priceless peace;
through Jesus Christ, through whom God dwells with us.

All Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, adapt.
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING

 Acts 16:9–15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.” And she prevailed upon us.

Reader  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Assembly  Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 67

Peter R. Hallock (1924–2014)

The Choir introduces the antiphon, all repeat it.

The Choir chants the psalm verses, all repeating the antiphon as indicated.

Deus misereatur

May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

1 Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.  ANTIPHON

2 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.  ANTIPHON

4 The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

5 May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.  ANTIPHON
READING

Revelation 21:10, 22–22:5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Reader  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Assembly  Thanks be to God.

After a brief silence the Presider stands; all rise as able for the proclamation of the Gospel.

GOSPEL PROCESSION

Children are invited to join the Gospel Procession, and gather around as the Gospel is proclaimed. Children in preschool through second grade are then invited to Children's Chapel in Thomsen Chapel. They will return at the Peace. Parents are welcome to join their children.

After a brief silence the Presider stands; all rise as able for the proclamation of the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Melchior Vulpius (1570–1615), arr. John L. Hooker

The Cantor introduces the alleluias, all repeat them. The Cantor chants the verse, all repeat the alleluias.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

If anyone loves me, he will keep my word; and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.
THE HOLY GOSPEL  John 14:23–29

Deacon  The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

Assembly  Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

“I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.”

Deacon  The Gospel of the Lord.

Assembly  Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Right Reverend Cabell Tennis

All rise as able.

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE ASSEMBLY: A LITANY FOR HERITAGE SUNDAY

**Presider** Let us thank God for those who have shaped and preserved our expression of life in community here at Saint Mark's Cathedral.

**Assembly** We thank you, O God, for the lives of those on whose legacy we stand today.

**Leader** For all who contributed in courageous and faithful ways to the beginnings of Saint Mark's Parish and the beginnings of this Cathedral.

**Assembly** We thank you, O God, for the heritage we now enjoy.

**Presider** For those of more recent times, whose passion and generosity helped define and refine our heritage in new and vibrant ways.

**Assembly** We thank you, O God, for all who have offered their gifts of life and labor in this place.

**Presider** For all who continue to inspire our worship.

**Assembly** We thank you, O God, for the music and liturgy which lift our spirits and binds us together week by week.

**Presider** For Christ, who remains the head of the Church, on whose Gospel we live and in whose Spirit we witness to this world.

**Assembly** We thank you, O God, for continuing to call us into covenant with you as we bear witness to your mercy, grace and love for all.

**Presider** For the vibrancy of our church, the faithful service of our members, and the hope we share that this cathedral may be a blessing for generations to come.

**Assembly** We thank you, O God, for your Spirit of truth and wisdom as we strive for justice and peace in the world.

**Presider** For the strength of our diversity, and from it the endless opportunities to learn from each other and grow in faith and love, and always to your glory and for the benefit of those we serve in your name.

**Assembly** May we continue to be People of the Way who find unity in essentials, charity in non-essentials, and Jesus Christ in all things.

**Presider** O God our help in ages past, our hope for years to come: Give us eyes to see your guiding hand at work in our lives. Give us ears to hear and hearts to feel, that we may know others as your beloved ones. Give us voices to share with others the good news that leads to fullness of life. Give us courage and wisdom so that we can affirm the eternal truth that our stories are part of your one, holy and life-giving Story of love and mercy; we ask it all in your Name.

**All** Amen.

THE PEACE

**Presider** Christ passed through the locked doors of fear to breathe the Spirit of peace and make us one humanity. Let us greet one another in Christ’s name.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

**Assembly** And also with you.

**All** greet one another in the name of Christ.
THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY

An offering of money is received. Everyone worshipping this morning is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God’s generosity. Many support Saint Mark’s through pledged offerings made by credit card or via mail. Together our gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service.

ANTHEM

At the River

WORDS & MELODY: Robert Lowry (1826–1899)
adapted by Aaron Copland (1900–1990)
arr. for choir by Raymond Wilding-White (1922–2001)

Shall we gather by the river,
Where bright angels’ feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever
Flowing by the throne of God?

Yes, we’ll gather by the river,
The beautiful, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints by the river
That flows by the throne of God.

Soon we’ll reach the shining river,
Soon our pilgrimage will cease,
Soon our happy hearts will quiver
With the melody of peace.

Refrain

The bread, wine and money we offer to God are brought forward and presented at the altar table.
When the Presider stands, all rise as able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

adapted from the Scottish Episcopal Church

Presider The Lord be with you.
Assembly And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.
Assembly We lift them to God.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Assembly It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being. Your power sustains, your love restores our broken world. You work without ceasing to bring order from chaos, filling emptiness with life.

Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope. He lives in us that we may walk in light.

Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power to purge our sin and warm our hearts to love.

As children of your redeeming purpose, freed by him who burst from the tomb and opened the gate of life, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:
Presider  Praise and thanksgiving be to you, God of all, for by the Cross eternal life is ours and death is swallowed up in victory. In the first light of Easter glory broke from the tomb and changed the women's sorrow into joy. From the Garden the mystery dawned that he whom they had loved and lost is with us now in every place for ever. Making himself known in the breaking of the bread, speaking peace to the fearful disciples, welcoming weary fishermen on the shore, he renewed the promise of his presence and of new birth in the Spirit who sets the seal of freedom on your sons and daughters.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's liberation, the night in which slaves walked free from Egypt, at supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: “Take, eat. This is my Body; it is broken for you.” After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: “Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all. Do this in remembrance of me.”

We now obey your Son’s command. We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom Made one with him, we offer you these gifts, and with them ourselves, a holy, living sacrifice. Hear us, most Holy One, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Reign.

Help us, who are gathered into the fellowship of Christ’s Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, Saint Mark and all the apostles and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, God of all creation, world without end.

All  AMEN.
In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

**FRACTION ANTHEM**  This is the feast of victory for our God

Richard Hillert (1923–2010)

All sing the antiphon. The Choir sings the verses, all repeating the antiphon as indicated.

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\text{This is the feast} & \quad \text{of victory for our God. Alleluia, allelujia, allelujia!}
\end{align*}\]

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V. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. **ANTIPHON**

V. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. **ANTIPHON**

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider  The gifts of God for the people of God.
All seeking God are welcome at Christ’s Table.

Communion is distributed at standing stations at the head of each aisle. If you need communion brought to your seat, please let an usher know. Rice wafers for those who do not eat wheat are available at the Presider’s communion station at the center aisle.

* Hold out your hand to receive the bread and then eat. Guide the chalice of wine to your mouth and then drink.
* Or you may leave the bread in your hand for the chalice bearer to dip in the wine and feed you.
* To receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest.

ANTHEM  Thine the Amen, thine the praise

WORDS: Herbert Brokering (1926–2009)  
MUSIC: Carl Schalk (b. 1929)

Thine the Amen, thine the praise,  Thine the Truly, thine the Yes,  thine the table, we the guest;  thine the everlasting head,  thine the mercy all from thee,  thine the breaking of the bread;  thine the glory,  thine the story,  thine the glory yet to be.

Thine the harvest, then the cup.  Thine the vineyard;  Thine the living,  then the cup  is lifted up, lifted up.  thine the loving,  evermore, evermore.

Thine the life eternally,  Thine the vineyard;  Thine the kingdom, thine the prize,  thine the promise let there be,  thine the wonderful surprise;  thine the harvest, then the cup.  then the end of all the war;  Thine the vineyard;  thine the story,  then the singing,  then the end of all the war;  Thine the vineyard;  thine the loving,  evermore, evermore.

Thine the life eternally,  then the cup  is lifted up, lifted up.  Thine the kingdom, thine the prize,  thine the promise let there be,  thine the wonderful surprise;  Thine the vineyard;  then the end of all the war;  then the singing,  then the end of all the war;  Thine the vineyard;  Thine the Truly, thine the Yes,  thine the table, we the guest;  thine the mercy all from thee,  thine the glory yet to be.

Gone the nailing,  Thine the glory,  gone the railing,  Thine the story,  gone the pleading, gone the cry;  then the welcome to the least;  gone the sighing,  then the end of all the war;  gone the dying,  then the wonder  what was loss, lifted high.  all increasing  at thy feast, at thy feast.

Thine the life eternally,  Thine the vineyard;  Thine the kingdom, thine the prize,  then the Lamb eternally.  Thine the vineyard;  Then the “Holy, Holy, Holy”  then the Lamb eternally.  celebration jubilee;  Then the “Holy, Holy, Holy”

Like the murmur of the dove’s song

TUNE: Bridegroom
All rise as able.

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider One body are we.
Assembly For, though many, we share one bread and one cup.
Deacon Go in peace, bearing holy gifts for holy people.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Gracious God,
All we have broken the bread which is Christ’s body;
we have tasted the wine of his new life.
We thank you for these gifts
by which we are made one in him
and drawn into that new creation
which is your will for all humanity;
through Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

The Presider asks God’s blessing on the Assembly. All respond: Amen.

HYMN 345

Savior, again, to thy dear name we raise ♦ The Hymnal 1982 #345
stanzas 1, 3, & 4

TUNE: Ellers

DISMISSAL

The Deacon dismisses the Assembly. The Assembly responds: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

VOLUNTARY

Processional

William Mathias

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