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EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:
THE SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY

May 12, 2024

9:00 AM





LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT & WELCOME

Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of all the Coast Salish tribes.

QUESTIONS?

Please ask. Ushers (wearing the purple welcome lanyards) can answer your questions or concerns, or provide a hearing assist device. All-gender restrooms are available in the northwest stairwell and on the 5th floor of Cathedral House, accessible by elevator or southwest stairwell.

NEW TO SAINT MARK'S?

Welcome to Saint Mark's Cathedral. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here! We invite you to complete a newcomer form, visit saintmarks.org/newcomers or connect with one of the clergy.

ABOUT THE LITURGY

Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. We encounter God within worship and are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the hallmarks of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy literally is "the work of the people," and refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The service usually begins with an organ prelude or other music designed to call us into worshipful presence.

PRELUDE *Prière du Christ montant vers son Père* (Prayer of Christ ascending towards the Father),
from *L'Ascension* Olivier Messiaen

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

As a gathered community, we join together in praising God in song.

All stand, as able.

HYMN 460 *Alleluia! sing to Jesus* (sts. 1 & 2) ♦ *The Hymnal 1982* *Hyfrydol*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Enriching Our Worship 1, p. 50

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

Assembly **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider **A**Lmighty 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.**

Glo-ry to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, heav'nly King, al-might-y God and Father, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

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.

The collect is the prayer designated for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

COLLECT OF THE DAY *Seventh Sunday of Easter*

The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 226

Presider God be with you.

Assembly And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

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.

All Amen.

The first reading is usually drawn from the Hebrew Scriptures, inviting us to trace our heritage in God's historical covenant with the People of God.

READING

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

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 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm is a sung response to the previous reading. Psalms are the songbook of the Hebrew Scriptures. They express every emotion known to humankind.

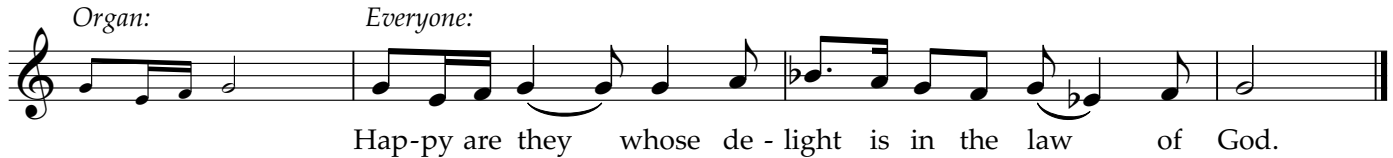
PSALM

Psalm 1 ♦ St. Helena Psalter

Peter R. Hallock

The Choir introduces the Antiphon; all repeat. The Choir chants the verses; all repeat Antiphon as indicated.

Organ: Everyone:



Hap-py are they whose de - light is in the law of God.

Beatus vir qui non abiit

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 Holy One, *
and they meditate on that law day and night. **ANTIPHON**

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.
It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away. **ANTIPHON**

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous;
for the Holy One knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed. **ANTIPHON**

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

READING *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 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

The sequence hymn or Gospel acclamation moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means “good news”—specifically the “good news of Jesus Christ.”

All stand, as able.

Children are invited to join the Gospel Procession, and gather around as the Gospel is proclaimed. Children ages 3-8 are then invited to Children's Chapel in Thomsen Chapel. They will return at the Peace. Parents are welcome to join their children.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The choir introduces the Alleluias, all repeat them. The choir sings the verse, then all repeat the Alleluias.



Verse: The Lord said, I will not leave you desolate; I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice.

This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus's words and actions.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *John 17:6-19*

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

Assembly **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

Assembly **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The homily directly follows the Gospel because it is grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

HOMILY

The Reverend Canon Linzi Stahlecker

Following the homily, the assembly is invited into a period of silence, reflecting on the scriptures and sermon. Please stand, as able, when the Presider stands as the liturgy continues.

The word “creed” comes from the Latin “credo” for “I believe.” First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 CE and confirmed in 381 CE, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: The Holy Trinity.

THE NICENE CREED

Authorized for use by the 1997 General Convention

**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.**

We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. Each week, we pray for the Universal Church, the nation and its leaders, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *After each petition:*

Intercessor Risen Lord,
Assembly **hear our prayer.**

The Presider concludes the prayers with a collect. All respond: Amen.

The exchange of peace within the gathered community is an ancient Christian practice. It is a sign of reconciliation, love, and renewed relationships prior to coming to God's table for Eucharist.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.
Assembly **And also with you.**

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, confessed our sins, received forgiveness, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the mystery and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

OFFERTORY

An offering of money is received. Everyone participating in worship is invited to make an offering in gratitude for God's generosity. Together, these gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service. Those worshipping in person may place their offering in baskets as they are passed through through the rows.

Visit saintmarks.org/give, or use the Venmo mobile app (@SaintMarksCathedralSeattle, or scan the code at right). If Venmo asks you for a four-digit code, enter 2076.



ANTHEM *Donde Hay*

WORDS: Spanish Proverb; MUSIC: Paul F. Page

Donde hay fé, hay amor;
donde hay amor, hay paz;
donde hay paz, está Diós;
y donde está Diós no falta nada.

Where there is faith there is love;
where there is love there is peace;
where there is peace there is God;
and where there is God, then nothing is lacking.

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a lengthy prayer with several intentions. We recount the story of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the *Sursum corda*, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

All stand, as able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Scottish Episcopal Church, adapt.

Presider The Lord be with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

Assembly **We lift them to the Lord.**

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. 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,

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God
and is based on Isaiah 6:3.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Mathias

The musical score is written on three staves. The first staff is labeled 'Organ:' and contains a series of chords. The second and third staves are labeled 'Everyone:' and contain a vocal melody. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might, heav' n and earth are full_ of your glo-ry. Ho san na in the high-est. Bless-ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.'

We recall God's acts of salvation history. The presider says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

Presider Praise and thanksgiving be to you, God of all:

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,
he renewed the promise of his presence
and of new birth in the Spirit
who sets the seal of freedom on your beloved children.

Before he was given up to suffering and death,
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, saying together:

**All We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.**

Presider 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 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 Mary, Mark and all the apostles and prophets,
and of all our siblings 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.

The Great Amen unites the congregation in one great voice as we concur with all
that the presider has prayed. It is the only "AMEN" in all capitals found in the Book
of Common Prayer, signifying the importance of the congregation's response.

All AMEN.

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link
between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist
is an ancient connection.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Ambrosian chant

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our dai-ly bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of tri-al, and de-li-ver us from e - vil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *This is the feast of victory for our God*

Hallock

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

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Hymnal 1982 #418, WORDS: after Revelation 5:12-13, ©1978 Augsburg Fortress; MUSIC: ©1984 Peter Hallock.

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

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All may be seated for the time of Communion. All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.

Please follow the directions of the Liturgical Ministers. Bread and wine are distributed at standing stations at the head of three aisles. The bread will be placed into your outstretched palm. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply ask for one at the time of Communion. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please cross your arms in front of your chest.

Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not available at this time. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your arms in front of your chest as you pass by the chalice. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.

ANTHEM *Christ hath a garden*

WORDS: Robert Bridges, after Isaac Watts;
MUSIC: English Folk Melody, arr. Gerald Near

Christ hath a garden walled around,
A paradise of fruitful ground,
Chosen by love and fenced by grace
From out the world's wide wilderness.

Like trees of spice his servants stand,
There planted by his mighty hand;
By Eden's gracious streams, that flow
To feed their beauty where they grow.

Awake, O wind of heav'n, and bear
Their sweetest perfume through the air:
Stir up, O south, the boughs that bloom,
Till the beloved Master come:

That he may come, and linger yet
Among the trees that he hath set;
That he may evermore be seen
To walk amid the springing green.

HYMN 603 *When Christ was lifted from the earth* ♦ *The Hymnal 1982*

St. Botolph

After communion, the assembly is invited to remain seated for a period of silence, contemplating the gifts of God given and received.

From the earliest days of the Church, members of the congregation took bread to those who were ill or could not be present in person.

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.

Before concluding the service, we give thanks to God for the gifts received, and the Presider pronounces a blessing in God's name upon the assembly. A closing hymn and the dismissal conclude the liturgy.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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 494 *Crown him with many crowns (sts. 1, 4) ♦ The Hymnal 1982*

Diademata

DISMISSAL *The Deacon dismisses the assembly; all respond: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

VOLUNTARY *Christ fuhr den Himmel ("Christ ascended to heaven")*

Rudolf Dost

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

PRESIDER

The Very Rev. Steven L. Thomason

preacher

The Rev. Canon Linzi Stahlecker

deacon

The Rev. Earl Grout

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Jon Achee

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sound board

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