



# ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## The Seventh Sunday of *Easter*

*Holy Eucharist, Rite II*  
 May 17, 2026 · 10:30 am

**All are welcome to worship God in this place.**  
*In church before the service, please respect others by being silent.*  
**Bold print indicates all the people shall read aloud**

**PRELUDE** Communion

Alexandre Guilmant

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

Hymnal - 460

Hyfrydol

1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the  
 \*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the  
 \*5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the  
 2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is  
 3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the  
 4 Lord of lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of  
 5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the  
 2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the  
 3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -  
 4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -  
 5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a  
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty  
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,  
 4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our  
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery  
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his  
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the  
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and  
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"  
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

# THE WORD OF GOD

## THE OPENING & COLLECT FOR PURITY

Book of Common Prayer 355

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

*All* **The Lord is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

*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. Amen.

## SONG OF PRAISE

Glory to You, Lord God

Hymnal S-236

John Rutter

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord  
God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;  
glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you  
for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will  
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 -  
5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the

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.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* 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. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 1:6-14

*Lector* A reading from Acts.

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same

way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

## THE PSALM 68:1-10,33-36

*In te, Domine, speravi*

The psalm will be sung by all.



1. Let God arise, and let his / enemies / be scattered; \*  
let those who hate him / flee be/fore him.
2. Let them vanish like smoke when the wind / drives it / away; \*  
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the / presence / of God.
3. But let the righteous be glad and re/joyce be/fore God; \*  
let them also be / merry and / joyful.
4. Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;  
exalt him who / rides upon / the heavens; \*  
YAHWEH is his Name, re/joyce be/fore him!
5. Father of orphans, de/fender of /widows, \*  
God in his holy / habi/tation!
6. God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners / into / freedom; \*  
but the rebels shall / live in dry / places.
7. O God, when you went forth be/fore your / people, \*  
when you / marched through the / wilderness,
8. The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,  
at the presence of God, the / God of / Sinai, \*  
at the presence of God, the / God of / Israel.
9. You sent a gracious rain, O God, up/on your in/heritance; \*  
you refreshed the land when / it was / weary.
10. Your people / found their / home in it; \*  
in your goodness, O God, you have made pro/vision / for the poor.
33. Sing to God, O / kingdoms / of the earth; \*  
sing / praises / to the Lord.
34. He rides in the heavens, the / ancient / heavens; \*  
he sends forth his / voice, his / mighty voice.
35. Ascribe / power / to God; \*  
his majesty is over Israel; his / strength is / in the skies.
36. How wonderful is God in his / holy / places! \*  
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!  
/ Blessed / be God!

## THE SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 4:12-14,5:6-11

*Lector* A reading from First Peter.

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

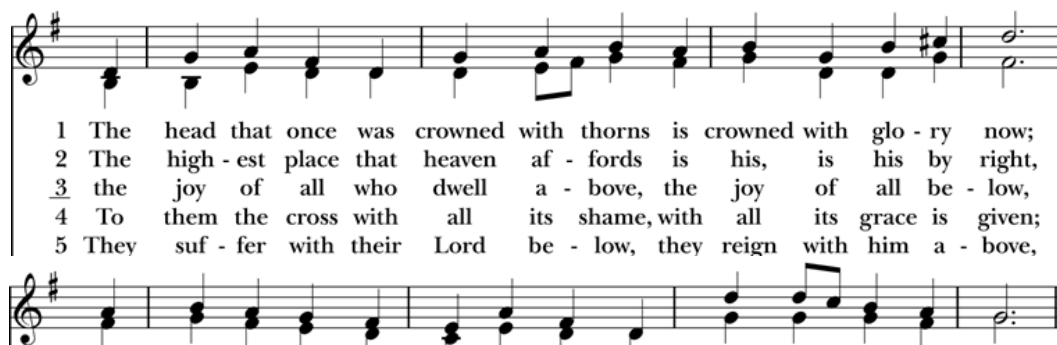
Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering.

And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.


*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL HYMN** The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns Hymnal - 483 *St. Magnus*



1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;  
2 The high - est place that heaven af - fords is his, is his by right,  
3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low,  
4 To them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given;  
5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove,



1 a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.  
2 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's e - ter - nal Light;  
3 to whom he man - i - fests his love and grants his name to know.  
4 their name, an ev - er - last - ing name; their joy, the joy of heaven.  
5 their prof - it and their joy to know the mys - tery of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,  
though shame and death to him:  
his people's hope, his people's wealth,  
their everlasting theme.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 17:1-11

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

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

*Gospeller* After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"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.

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## THE SERMON

The Rev. Sally Goodall

## THE NICENE CREED

*Book of Common Prayer 358*

*All* **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 1*

*Book of Common Prayer 383*

*Lector* With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord have mercy."

*Lector* For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea and Christ Church, Geneva; Christ Church, Hudson; and Christ Church, Huron, and their surrounding communities, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Lector* For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Lector* For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Lector* For the city of Youngstown, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Lector* For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Lector* For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering and those on our prayer list, let us pray to the Lord

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Lector* For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Lector* For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Lector* For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Lector* That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Lector* In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, to Christ our God.

*People* **To thee, O Lord, our God.**

## **THE CONCLUDING COLLECT**

### **THE CONFESSION**

*Book of Common Prayer 360*

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.**

### **THE ABSOLUTION**

*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.  
**Amen.**

### **THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*The congregation greets one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND BLESSINGS**

### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

*Celebrant* Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God.

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** Lift Up Your Heads

G.F. Handel

*All* **All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.**

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B**

*Book of Common Prayer 367*

### **SURSUM CORDA**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*

Lift up your hearts.

*All*

**We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All*

**It is right to give our 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.

But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again 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

Hymnal S-130

Franz Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*People stand or kneel*

*Celebrant*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out

of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*All  
Celebrant*

**We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in your being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Book of Common Prayer 364*

*Celebrant  
All*

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

*Celebrant  
People*

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

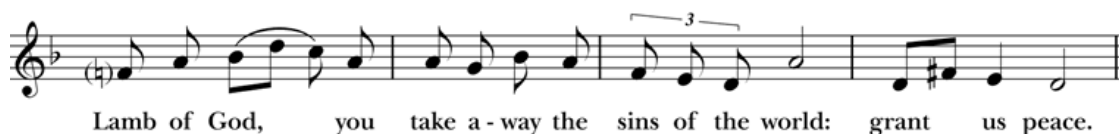
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

## FRACTION ANTHEM

Jesus, Lamb of God

Hymnal S-163

Franz Schubert



## THE INVITATION

*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.

## HOLY COMMUNION

*Please indicate if you would prefer gluten free wafers.*

## COMMUNION MOTET Draw Us In The Spirit's Tether

Harold Friedell

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*Book of Common Prayer 366*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All, 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.**

## THE BLESSING

## CLOSING HYMN Crown Him With Many Crowns

Hymnal - 494

*Diademata*

*Descant*

5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned a - bove;

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!  
2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and  
3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and  
4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who  
5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove; Crown

crown him to whom is given the won-drous name of Love.

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -  
2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who  
3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his  
4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran-somed sin - ners slain, now  
5 him the King, to whom is given the won-drous name of Love. Crown

Crown him with man-y crowns, as thrones be-fore him

1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and  
2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu-man breast, and  
3 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, who  
4 lives in realms of light, where saints with an - gels sing their  
5 him with man - y crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall, crown

fall, crown him, ye kings, for he is King of all.

1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.  
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King.  
 5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

## THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**POSTLUDE** Marche religieuse

Alexandre Guilmant

## MUSIC NOTES

Our music this morning is centered around the compositions of the French organist and composer, Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911). Guilmant was widely known for his compositions and his recital tours in the USA. His music is well crafted and balanced. The prelude this morning is a simple piece featuring the softer stops on the organ. The postlude is a larger work based on the offertory anthem that the choir will be singing at the offertory. Here Guilmant takes the opening idea from the Handel chorus and creates a stirring composition that begins softly, and ends using the full resources of the organ.

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