

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Shrewsbury, Massachusetts

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 16, 2021
8:30 am

A SERVICE OF HOLY EUCHARIST
RITE TWO

Please join in on italicized responses.

The Ministry of the Word

Opening Hymn: Hymnal #495 vv. 1, 4 ***“Hail, thou once despised Jesus”***

Hail, thou once despised Jesus! Hail, thou Galilean King!
Thou didst suffer to release us; thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, thou universal Savior, bearer of our sin and shame!
By thy merit we find favor; life is given through thy Name.

Worship, honor, power, and blessing thou art worthy to receive;
highest praises, without ceasing, right it is for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits, all your noblest anthems raise;
help to sing our Savior’s merits, help to chant Emmanuel’s praise!

Opening Sentence

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

The 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

The Gloria (BCP page 356)

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 upon 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***

Collect of the Day

Celebrant
People
Celebrant

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

First Lesson: 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
People

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

Beatus vir qui non abiit

1 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!

2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.

3 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.

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.

The Epistle: 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 The word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: LEVAS #178 vv. 1, 3 “Sweet hour of prayer”

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, That calls me from a world of care,
and bids me at my Father’s throne Make all my wants and wishes known.
In seasons of distress and grief My soul has often found relief.
And oft escaped the tempter’s snare By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, May I thy consolation share,
Till from Mount Pisgah’s lofty height I view my home and take my flight:
This robe of flesh I’ll drop, and rise To seize the everlasting prize.
And shout, while passing through the air, “Farewell, farewell, sweet hour of prayer!”

The Gospel: John 17:6-19

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.”

Sermon

The Rev. Ann F. Scannell

The Nicene Creed (BCP 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

Father we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

Remembering: Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Doug, our Bishop, Ann our Priest in Charge.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Remembering our President Joe, our Governor Charlie, our Lieutenant governor Karyn, and our Town manager Kevin.

We pray for Peace and Social Justice among all people.
Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

Give us a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to our honor and glory.

That our work may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

We pray for those who are ill and for those seeking God's healing grace: Patricia Martin, Sarah, Amelia, Kelly D., Margaret, Linda, Tony, Charlotte, Debbie, Tim, John, Patty, Tanya, Nancy Kelly, Joanne Cox, Bev, Beth, Scott, Eric, Craig McDonough, Randy Swallow, Anthony, Ken, Linda Allen, Becky, Judy, Amy, Becca, Charlie, Edward

We pray for all those ill with the corona virus and for those who seek to heal and those who work to provide essential services during this difficult time.

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray in thanksgiving for those observing birthdays and wedding anniversaries this week:

Joanne Cox, Dick Miller, Blake Lewis, Susan Prior, George Medlinskas;
Mark and Catherine Foster, Scott and Nancy Goodwin, Craig and Leslie McDonough

And for those in our parish cycle of prayer this week -
the Jarrell, Jasciewicz, and Jepson families, and for the members of our Vestry.

For St. Andrew's, Longmeadow; for the Bement-Waterfield Educational Grant
Committee; for National Episcopal Health Ministries; for Episcopal Parish Services.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your Saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

The Confession

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

Silence

The Celebrant and People

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 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 (BCP page 360)

Celebrant
People

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

The Presentation

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

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer A

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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 him thanks and praise.

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 are we 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:

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father; In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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.

Amen

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

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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

Celebrant
People

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia]

The Communion of the People.

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.

Post Communion Prayer

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 the 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

Final Blessing

Closing Hymn: LEVAS #70

“I want Jesus to walk with me”

I want Jesus to walk with me (walk with me);
I want Jesus to walk with me (walk with me);
All along my pilgrim journey,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me (walk with me).

In my trials, Lord, walk with me (walk with me);
In my trials, Lord, walk with me (walk with me);
When the shades of life are falling,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me (walk with me).

In my sorrows, Lord, walk with me (walk with me);
In my sorrows, Lord, walk with me (walk with me);
When my heart with in is aching,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me (walk with me).

SERVING TODAY

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Ann F. Scannell, Priest-in-Charge

Organist: Christopher Lundell

Thank you to those who participated in today's service.