

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

28 April 2024 – 8:00AM & 10:15AM



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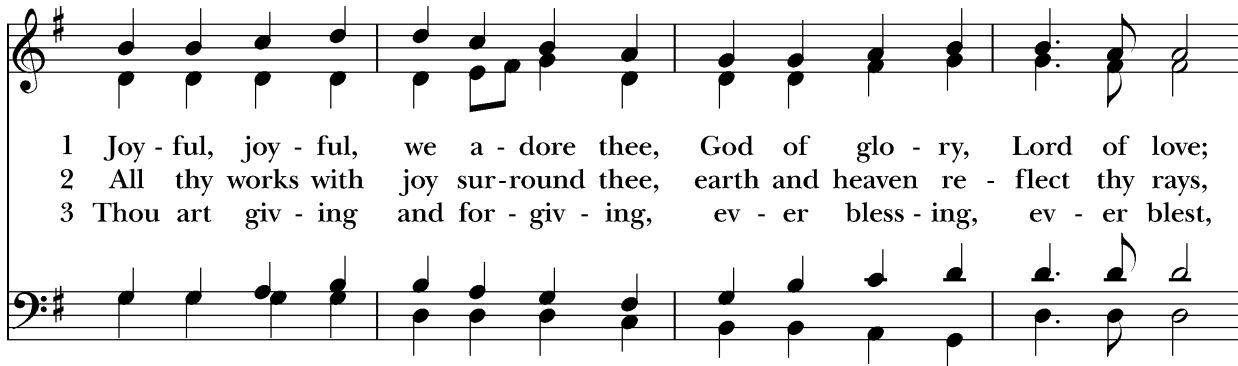
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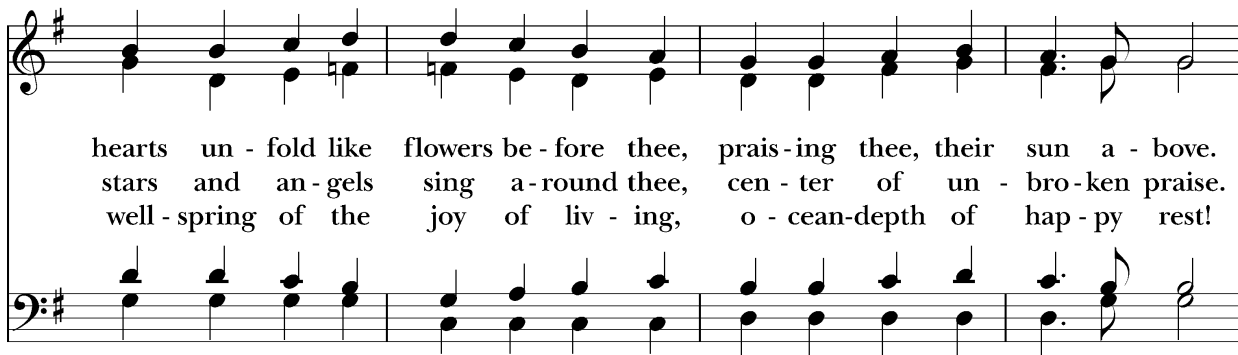
LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE

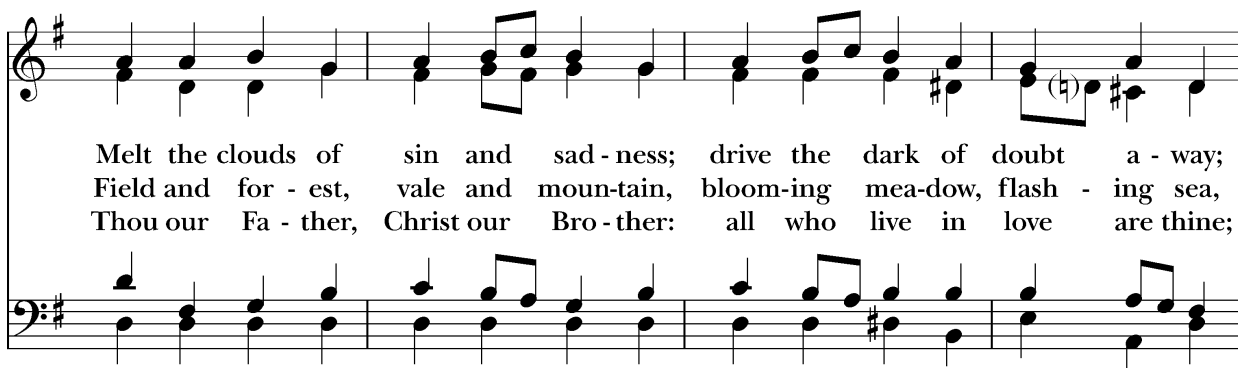
OPENING HYMN: *JOYFUL, JOYFUL* • HYMN 376



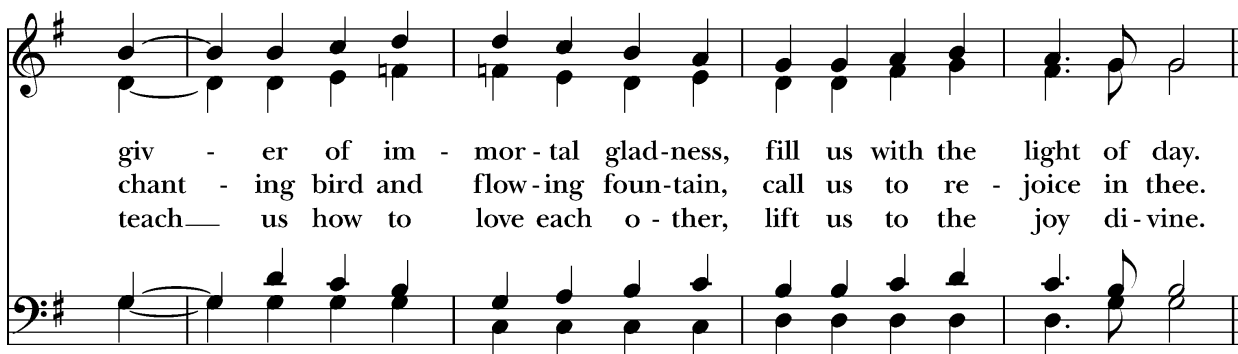
1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;



giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
teach — us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

All standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant may say

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.*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

FIRST READING: ACTS 8:26-40

All sit.

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet

say this, about himself or about someone else?” ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22:24-30

²⁴My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
²⁵The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: *
“May your heart live for ever!”
²⁶All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
²⁷For kingship belongs to the Lord; *
he rules over the nations.
²⁸To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
²⁹My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the Lord’s for ever.
³⁰They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 4:7-21

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God’s love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 15:1-8

All stand.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

[Jesus said to his disciples,] ¹"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE NICENE CREED

All stand.

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.

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; especially Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and Bishop Poulson Reed, and St. Paul's – Altus and St. Luke's – Salto, Uruguay;

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; especially President Joe Biden, Governor Kevin Stitt, and Mayor Stan Booker.

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially Abbey, Bill, Bob, Bonnie, Butch, Chris, Cody, Dave, David, David M., Debbie L., Debbie R., Elissa, Emelia, Glen B., Helen, James, Jean, John, June, Kim, Leo, Lucille, Martha, Noor, Rita, RL, Rose, Ryker, Scott, Sherry, Taylor, Terry, and all firefighters; for the hungry, the oppressed, those in prison, and those in the military;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; especially Rev. David Thomas;

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.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others; especially a birthday for Aleksander Garrison;

Silence

Presider closes with concluding prayer

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

OFFERTORY

Please rise first when the Bread and Wine (our offerings or "gifts" to God) are brought forward to the altar

Instructions for online giving are found in the Announcements portion at the end of this bulletin.

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Presider All things come of thee O Lord,
People And of thine own have we given thee.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

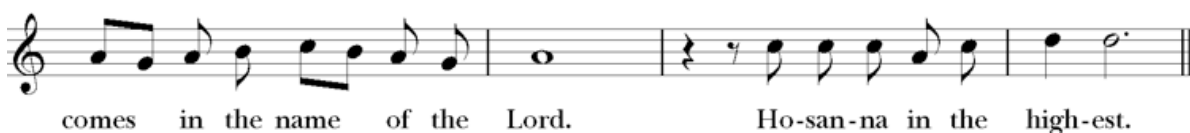
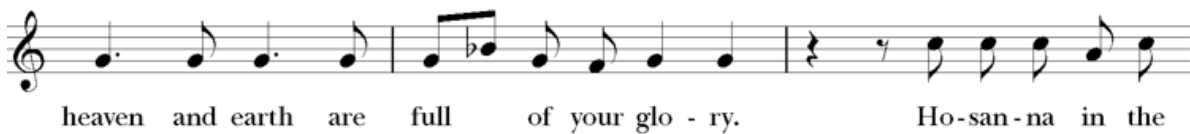
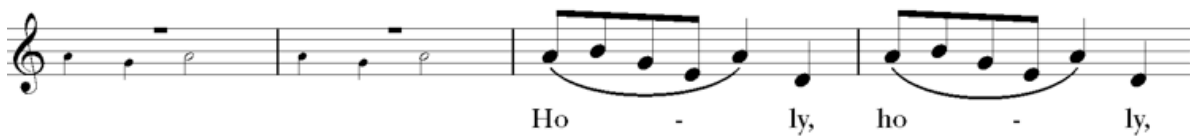
The people remain standing.

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.

The Celebrant proceeds with preface

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



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

“Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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

Remembering his death and resurrection,
we now present to you from your creation
this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us
the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Grant that we who share these gifts
may be filled with the Holy Spirit
and live as Christ's Body in the world.
Bring us into the everlasting heritage
of your sons and daughters,
that with all your saints,
past, present, and yet to come,
we may praise your Name for ever.
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and ever. *AMEN*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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,
 forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

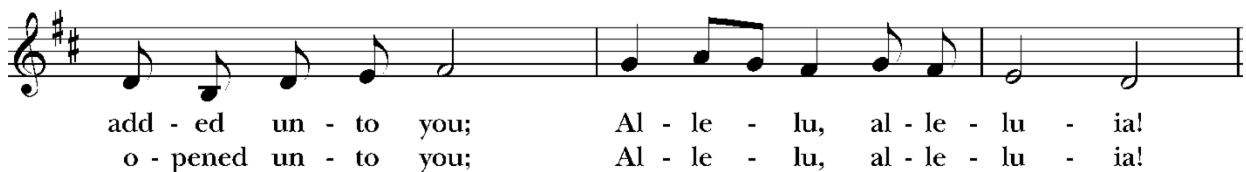
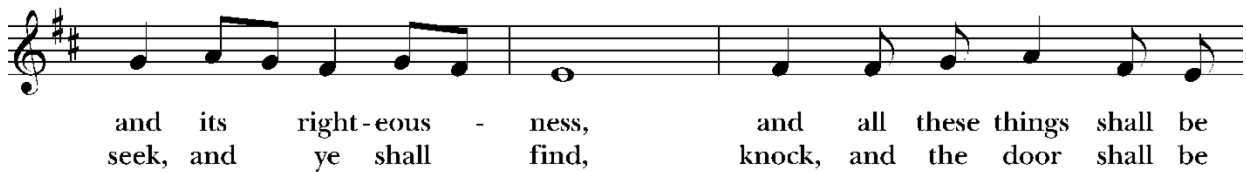
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMN: *SEEK YE FIRST* • HYMN 711



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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

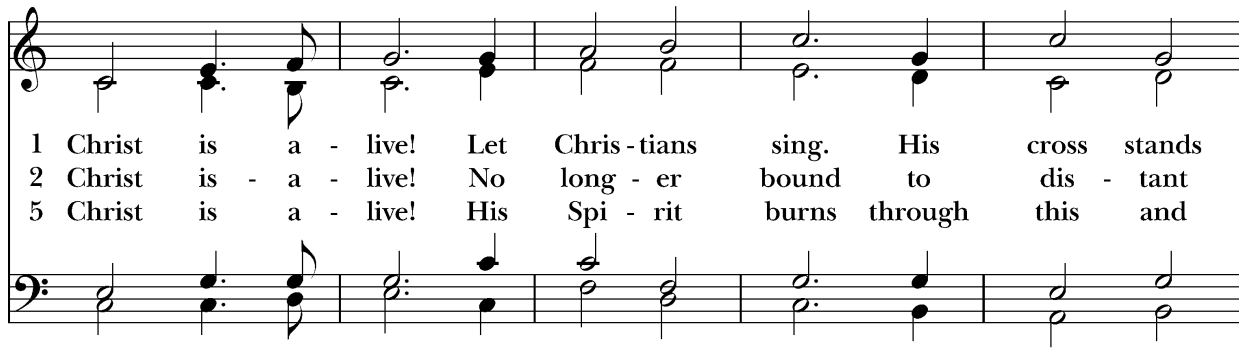
After Communion, the Celebrant says

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 the strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

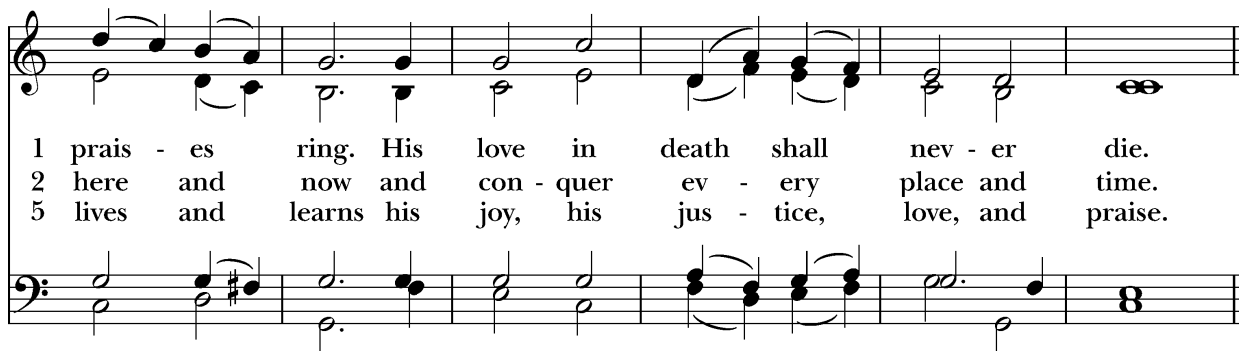
CLOSING HYMN: CHRIST IS ALIVE • HYMN 182



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and



1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion



1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. *Alleluia. Alleluia*

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

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Announcements

Upcoming Gatherings

April 28 – Create pieces for Art Auction 11:30am–1:30pm

May 5 – Youth & Children Sunday & Silent Art Auction with
Bake Sale



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by

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IN THANKSGIVING FOR
Our Grandchildren &
Great Grandchildren



Saint Andrew's
Episcopal Church

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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CHILDREN & YOUTH SUNDAY w/ Silent Art Auction & Bake Sale

May 5, 2024

Featuring jewelry made by real
Altar Flowers that have been dried
and preserved in resin



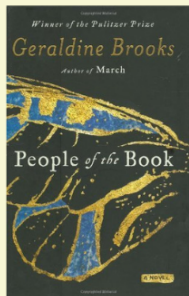
SUMMER READ

WHICH BOOK PIQUES YOUR INTEREST?



RED TENT

In this modern classic interpretation of the biblical story of Dinah, Anita Diamond imagines the traditions and turmoils of ancient womanhood.



PEOPLE OF THE BOOK

This story traces the harrowing journey of the famed Sarajevo Haggadah, a beautifully illuminated Hebrew manuscript created in 15th-century Spain.

When it falls to Hanna Heath, an Australian rare-book expert to conserve this priceless work, the series of tiny artifacts she discovers in its ancient binding - an insect wing fragment, wine stains, salt crystals, a white hair - only begin to unlock its deep mysteries and unexpectedly plunges Hanna into the intrigues of fine art forgers and ultra-nationalist fanatics.



THE KITE RUNNER

Taking us from Afghanistan in the final days of its monarchy to the present, The Kite Runner is the unforgettable and beautifully told story of the friendship between two boys growing up in Kabul. It is about the bonds between father and sons, and the power of fathers over sons - their love, their sacrifices, and their lies. Written against a backdrop of history that has not been told in fiction before, The Kite Runner describes the rich culture and beauty of a land in the process of being destroyed. But through the devastation, Khaled Hosseini offers hope for redemption.

CONTACT REV'D STEPHANIE WITH YOUR RECOMMENDATION AND A SUGGESTION FOR WHEN AND WHERE YOU'D LIKE TO GATHER (DURING THE WEEK FOR AFTERNOON COFFEE? SUNDAY BETWEEN SERVICES? MIDWAY OR AT THE END OF THE BOOK?)

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PEOPLE SERVING TODAY

THE SERVICE LEADER

Rev'd Stephanie Jenkins

LECTORS

8:00AM – Cheryl Carpenter

10:15 Lessons – Carl Ryker

10:15 Prayers & Psalm – Larry Brown

USHER

Jerry Wade

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Ann Friedl

CRUCIFER

Holden Vazquez

PRIEST CROSS

Jayden Charles

BANNER CARRIERS

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Benjamin Fabrega

MUSICIANS

David Gabriele – Pianist

COUNTERS

Larry Neal

John Carter

ALTAR GUILD

Cheryn Lee

Lisa Hooton

Cheryl Carpenter

TORCHBEARERS

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