

The Holy Eucharist



**Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 2, 2021 at 10:30 AM**

**The Rt. Rev. Dabney T. Smith, Bishop
The Rev. Jessica Harris Babcock, Rector
The Rev. Kathy Schillreff, Assisting Clergy
The Rev. Jean Hite, Assisting Clergy**

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Prelude

O God, You Search Me

B. Farrell
Todd Peterson, Solo

Please stand.

Opening Hymn

Good Christians All, Rejoice And Sing!

Hymn #205
(verses 1-3)

1 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!

Now is the triumph of our King!

To all the world glad news we bring:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 The Lord of life is risen today!

Sing songs of praise along his way;

let all the earth rejoice and say:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3 Praise we in songs of victory

that love, that life which cannot die,

and sing with hearts uplifted high:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Word of God

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Collect for Purity

Priest: 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.

People: **Amen.**

Gloria

Glory To God In The Highest

Hymn #S-278

1 Glory to god in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

2 Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

3 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

4 you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

5 you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

6 For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

7 you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

Salutation

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Priest: 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.

People: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Lessons

A Lesson from the Acts of the Apostles

(8:26-40)

An 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.) So 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 and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now 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.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As 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?” He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When 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. But 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 Please read responsively by verse with the Lay Reader.

24 My praise is of him in the great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: "May your heart live for ever!"

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; he rules over the nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn
the saving deeds that he has done.

A Lesson from the the First Letter of John

(4:7-21)

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In 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. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God.

So 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. Love 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. There 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. We love because he first loved us. Those 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. The 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.

Please stand.

The Gradual

The Strife Is O'er, The Battle Done

Hymn #208
(verses 1-3)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**1 The strife is o'er, the battle done,
the victory of life is won;
the song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!**

**2 The powers of death have done their worst,
but Christ their legions hath dispersed:
let shout of holy joy outburst. Alleluia!**

**3 The three sad days are quickly sped,
he rises glorious from the dead:
all glory to our risen Head! Alleluia!**

Please remain standing.

The Holy Gospel

John 15:1-8

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide 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. I 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. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My 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.

Please be seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Kathy Schillreff

Please stand.

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:

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.

Please remain standing or kneel as you are able.

The Prayers of the People

Reader: We give thanks for those who offer their best as leaders of your people - for our bishops, priests, deacons, and lay leaders, and for all those who carry out the mission of the church. Pray for God's Church.

Silence

Reader: We pray for the leaders of our nation - for Joe our president, Ron our governor, for congress and the courts of this land. Give them courage and wisdom and a heart for justice. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Reader: We pray for mercy for those who suffer - from hunger, from lack of housing, from poverty, in the aftermath of natural disasters, and from violence and war. Sustain them in their struggles and give them hope. We give thanks for compassionate people who generously respond to their needs. Pray for all who suffer around the world.

Silence

Reader: We pray for those who live in fear, for those whose spirits are restless, and for those who are ill, especially **Bob Brewer, Corky Miller, Ionut Dinca**. Comfort them and those who stand beside them. Pray for healing and comfort.

Silence

Reader: We pray for those who are dying and those who are with them as they find their way home. Pray for new and unending life in this world and the next.

Silence

Reader: We pray for those who have died, and all who grieve.
Pray that all the departed rest in peace.

Silence

Reader: We give thanks for those celebrating another year of life, **Julee Potter, Mateo Fernandez-Nadler and Michael Scola**. Pray that they have joy in their lives.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Please be seated.

Welcome and Announcements

Offertory Sentence *A Minute of Silence for the Offering*

Please remember that you can give online at stmarksmarco.org/donate

Our text-to-give number is 239-360-9255.

Offertory Music

As the Deer

Lloyd Larson

Please stand.

Doxology

Verse 3 of Hymn 380

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Please remain standing.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

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.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.

The Celebrant continues:

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

Holy, Holy, Holy

Hymn #S-128

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one 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.

People: Amen.

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

Celebrant and People:

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.

The Blessing

Please stand.

Closing Hymn *How Firm A Foundation, Ye Saints Of The Lord* Hymn #636
(verses 1-3)

**1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?**

**2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed!
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.**

**3 "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.**

Dismissal

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

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

Postlude

Voluntary in G

Stanley

WEEKLY HAPPENINGS



ST. MARK'S

Today, 5/2

- ◆ 9:15 am Contemporary Service
- ◆ After 9:15 am Contemporary Service
 - ⇒ (On the Playground) Sunday School for PreK - 5th Grade
 - ⇒ (WMC Youth Room) Rite 13 for Youth 6th Grade - 12th Grade
- ◆ 10:30 am Traditional Rite II Service

Tuesday, 5/4

- ◆ 11 am - 1 pm Our Daily Bread Food Drive By and Drop Off!

Wednesday, 5/5

- ◆ (by Email) Men's Bible Study, Contact Carl Kelly at caelagh1@comcast.net
- ◆ 3:30 - 4:30 pm (Library) Women's Bible Study
- ◆ 3:30 - 4:30 pm (WMC Choir Suite) Bell Choir
- ◆ 5:30 pm Celtic Eucharist in the Courtyard,
a contemplative service of healing, peace, and reconciliation

Thursday, 5/6

- ◆ 4:30 - 7:00 pm (Zoom) EFM with Kathy Schillreff
- ◆ 5:30 - 6:00 pm Youth Group Music Practice w/ Shane
- ◆ 6:00 - 6:30 pm (Youth Room) Youth Group

Friday, 5/7

- ◆ 9:30-11:00 am (Zoom) Friday Book Group led by Kathy S.
Email Kathy Schillreff to join: kschillreff@comcast.net
- ◆ 3:00 - 4:15 pm Marco Mobile Pantry

Sunday, 5/8

- ◆ 9:15 am Contemporary Service
- ◆ After 9:15 am Contemporary Service
 - ⇒ (On the Playground) Sunday School for PreK - 5th Grade
 - ⇒ (WMC Youth Room) Rite 13 for Youth 6th Grade - 12th Grade
- ◆ 10:30 am Traditional Rite II Service

FUTURE HAPPENINGS

May

- ◆ 2nd, 9th & 30th - Sunday Our Daily Bread Food Donations
Bring bags of non-perishable food and paper products with you and leave them in the Parish Hall.
- ◆ 9th - Sunday Mother's Day
- ◆ 10th & 24th - Monday 1:30 pm (Zoom) Daughters of the King
- ◆ 10th & 24th - Monday 3:00-5:00 pm (Zoom) Sacred Ground
- ◆ 21st- Friday 3:00 - 4:15 pm Marco Mobile Pantry
- ◆ **23rd – PENTECOST SUNDAY/Youth Sunday (Wear RED!!)**
- ◆ **30th – TRINITY SUNDAY 9:00 AM**
Begin ONE Unified Service for the Summer (May 23 - October 31)
- ◆ 31st - Monday Memorial Day (Office Closed)

DON'T FORGET!

If you or your neighbors are preparing to go North, you are welcome to drop off non-perishable food at the Church Office during business hours or before and after Worship Services. The Food Ministry Team will deliver all of this food to Our Daily Bread.

**Every Wednesday during Eastertide at 5:30pm
we are continuing with Celtic Eucharist in the Courtyard,
a contemplative service of healing, peace, and reconciliation.**

Ministering Today:

Altar Guild: Team HOPE – Gwyn Goodman with Randy Lindquist,
Patti Saltenberger, Lori Welliver

Ushers: Don & Sheila Wilbur

Altar Server: Chris Christensen

Altar Flowers and Sanctuary Candle:

Please consider donating the Sanctuary Candle or Altar Flowers in Celebration, Thanksgiving or in Memory of a loved one.

If you would like to do this please pick a date from the board in the Narthex, send it along with your check to the office.

Online giving is also welcome, please make sure to include the date and wording you would like. Sanctuary Candle—\$25 Altar Flowers—\$55

The Altar Guild thanks you for your generous support!

May Birthdays!

5/4 Julee Potter, 5/7 Mateo Fernandez-Nadler, 5/8 Michael Scola, 5/12 O'Hara Leiner, 5/15 Margaret Campbell, 5/15 Judy Knight, 5/16 Richard Clarke, 5/16 Alexandra Diaz, 5/17 The Rev. Kathy Schillreff, 5/20 Nicholas Gionet, 5/22 John Morgan, 5/22 Marguerite Zschiegner, 5/23 Julian Totten, 5/26 Elliott Totten, 5/27 Amy Laird, 5/27 Ella Lindgren, 5/28 Betty Boulton, 5/28 Kenny Dye, 5/28 Bella Valencia, 5/30 Annette Fedor, 5/30 Peggy Totten.

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