



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY SERVICE 9:30AM

APRIL 28TH, 2024

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II - 9:30 A.M.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing Hymnal 182

The Word of God

OPENING SENTENCE AND PRAYER

BCP 355

Priest: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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*.

GLORIA

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 on 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.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Priest: 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.**

THE FIRST LESSON ACTS 8:26-40

A Reading from the book of Acts.

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM PSALM 22:24-30

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.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE EPISTLE 1 JOHN 4:7-21

A Reading from the first letter of John.

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL JOHN 10:11-18

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

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Rev. Dr. Joseph A. Krasinski

THE NICENE CREED BCP 358

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

FORM III BCP 387

Intercessor: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: 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;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

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

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

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

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest...

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially those on our parish prayer list... *Silence*

Prayer for the Search Committee

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CONCLUDING PRAYER

Priest: God of deep soil and luxuriant growth; you call us from our shallow selves to find our depth in you: may we abide in him alone who can teach us who we are; through Jesus Christ, the true vine. Amen.

THE PEACE BCP 360

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

People: And also with you.

WELCOME OF VISITORS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES
NOTICES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN

"No Other Love"

No other love, no other love, no other love is like Your love. Like Your love. We worship You, come into Your presence, drink from the wells of love.

PRESENTATION OF ALMS & OBLATIONS

Doxology

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.

Priest: All things come of Thee, O Lord,

People: And of Thine own have we given Thee.

HOLY COMMUNION

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Priest: 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:

SANCTUS

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.

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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:

S 132



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.



S 147

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP 364

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP 364

Priest: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

S 161



Invitation to Communion

Priest: 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.

COMMUNION HYMN

Love divine, all loves excelling H 657

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion Said by Those Not Present at Holy Communion

Priest: In union, O Lord, with the faithful of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all the love of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live in you, and may you live in us, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

Priest: Let us pray.

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

THE BLESSING

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Priest: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

People: Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise H 345

DISMISSAL

Priest: Life is short, and we don't have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind and go in peace and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!





NOTICES

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

We pray that you are well on this the fifth Sunday of Easter.

Please join us after the service in Feaster Hall for fellowship hour hosted by the Williams Family. We thank them for their kindness!

REFRESHER COURSE ON THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Directly following Coffee Hour, Fr. Joseph will lead a series on The Episcopal Church. We will be using The Discovery Series out of the Diocese of Texas. This continuing education is for adults and older teens, and is meant to assist those who don't know the Episcopal Church well, those who would like to be Confirmed or Received into the Episcopal Church (if you were Confirmed by a bishop already), and specifically for those who want a refresher on what the Episcopal Church is today. In other words, ALL are welcome and encouraged.

The course will run for 5 weeks. The only exceptions will be on Sunday, May 5th, when we will have an "instructed Eucharist" aimed towards the children, and Mother's Day, May 12th. But, like most of Fr. Joseph's children's sermons, it will be filled with tidbits that even lifelong Episcopalians don't know (or remember) like why we wear rose colored vestments on the 3rd Sunday of Advent and 4th Sunday in Lent.

INSTRUCTED EUCHARIST: NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 5

During the 9:30 AM Service on Sunday, May 5th, Fr. Joseph will do Instructed Eucharist. This is specifically meant for the children, but Fr. Joseph has yet to do it and NOT have adults say how much they got out of it. As the rubrics (rules) in the Prayer Book say that you cannot omit the Sermon, there will be a very short Sermon. Fr. Joseph will explain the various parts of the Mass, where the Prayers come from, the Vestments, and the Communion itself.

Parents and Grandparents: you will want to make sure your children are present during the service so that they can fully participate.

HIDDEN TREASURES: Discovering The Hymnal

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"- Hymn #657, is one of Charles Wesley's greatest hymns. It is said that Wesley wrote over six thousand hymns and that he would carry note cards in his pocket to write down his thoughts as he traveled around on horseback. The hymn is really a prayer — a prayer to Jesus, who is "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling." It invites Jesus to make his dwelling in us — to visit us with his salvation — to enter our hearts. It invites Him to take away our love of sinning — to set our hearts at liberty. It concludes by asking Jesus to finish his new creation (we are his new creation) so that we might be pure and spotless perfectly restored — ready for heaven. As you sing this hymn, keep in mind that it is a prayer — that you are asking God to dwell in you — to visit you with his salvation — to enter your heart.

Source: Richard Niell Donovan



JOIN OUR CHOIR

We invite those who desire to audition their singing voices to join the parish choir ministry. We are looking to add new members and to commit to choir practices after Sunday's service.

COMMENCEMENT SUNDAY

Parents and families, mark your calendars for **Sunday**, **May 19th** as we will celebrate our graduating parishioners and Sunday School students proceeding into the next school year. Please share participant information with the Office.





SAFECHURCH PART 11

Reminder: All of those who have not completed Part II, there are only two more opportunities **via Zoom** on **May 18th and June 15th**. All other appointments will be arranged in-person. Please complete by the end of June 2024 to be in compliance with our Diocese.

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS

Those who have signed up to volunteer as host for coffee hours, please contact the Office for any inquiries on supplies and procedures, and to collect the keys if needed. For any Sundays not chosen by volunteers, simply the **coffee station only** will be provided. Please check out the sign-up sheet on the blue bulletin board located outside the parish office for 2024.

DAILY DEVOTIONALS

Forward Movement's Day-by-Day devotionals for MAY-JUNE-JULY are available in the sanctuary and from the Church Office during the week.

<u>ATTENTION PARISHIONERS</u>: Following the tragedy at St. Stephen's Episcopal in Alabama, the Diocese encourages churches to remain vigilant in the safety and security of its congregants during worship services. St. James will continue to keep the outer doors locked once the service has begun. In the case of late arrivals, an usher/greeter will be present to open the doors for you.



Please Pray for...

Our Anglican Community:

The Church of Bangladesh

Those in our Parish:

Jan Pushkar, Deb Terzino, Loretta Steward, Paul Crosta, Bishop Michael Curry, Tom Krasinski, Kay Nelson, Pete Rodriguez, Sarah Allen, Karron Bacchus, Sonia Fiederick, Angela Santana, Riley Rupert-Richendollar, Carolyn Coxe, Melissa Andreo, Brenda McKenzie

We pray for the members of our parish family who are celebrating their birthday this week:

Frances Forde



We pray for the protection of all innocent lives at risk across the Middle East, for peace in Israel and in Palestine, for peace in Ukraine, and for the victims of gun violence and their families, and we continue to pray for continued protection and healing for all those dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic.

We pray for the Episcopal Church's Joint Nominating Committee and for the nominees to succeed Presiding Bishop Michael Curry: The Rt. Rev. J. Scott Barker- Diocese of Nebraska, The Rt. Rev. Daniel G. P. Gutiérrez- Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania, The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe- Episcopal Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania, Western New York, The Rt. Rev. Robert Wright- Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta, and The Rt. Rev. DeDe Duncan-Probe- Episcopal Diocese of Central New York

Prayer for our Parish Search Committee

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful priest, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Lay Eucharistic Visitor Commissioning

Priest: Please come forward those who are commended by the Bishop for this ministry and will be visiting this week. In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go, may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

Congregation: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Sunday, April 28th

Episcopal Refresher Course with Fr. Joseph Following Coffee Hour

Thursday, May 2ndNational Day of Prayer

Sunday, May 5th
Instructed Eucharist

Saturday, May 11th
Memorial Service for Holly Hoyle McAneny

Sunday, May 12th Mother's Day

Saturday, May 18th Bunco - Feaster Hall at 4:00p.m.

Sunday, May 19th
Pentecost / Commencement Sunday



REV. DR. JOSEPH A. KRASINSKI, PRIEST-IN-RESIDENCE

MEMBERS OF THE VESTRY

CLAUDETTE CROWDER-FOWLER - SENIOR WARDEN
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HIMMLER ALEMÁN, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC FRANK JIMENEZ, FLAUTIST

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. James in-the-Hills Episcopal Church is to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and to invite all of God's diverse community into a personal relationship with our Lord.



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