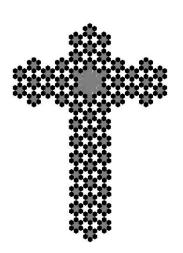
THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 5, 2024

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite II





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Sunday Services at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 6 PM

Our Sunday 10 AM service is livestreamed

WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

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A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave Quietly and reverently and silence your phones.

Children are invited to meet at the back of the church at the beginning of the service to gather for Sunday School.

Most of the sung music is found in the blue hymnal, *The Hymnal*, *1982*. In the bulletin, an "H" indicates the hymn section of the book; an "S" indicates it's from the service music section in the front of the book.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY Two Settings on "O Sons and Daughters Let Us Sing" Daniel Burton Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

[During the Voluntary, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE HYMN H-470

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

BEECHER

There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in his justice, which is more than liberty. There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good; there is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.

There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven; there is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given.

There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.

For the love of God is broader than the measure of the mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more faithful, we should take him at his word; and our life would be thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

All

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 S-236

Benedictus es Domine (Canticle 13)

John Rutter

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you. Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of you majesty, glory to you. Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever. Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you. Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Celebrant Let us pray...O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things

as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns

with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The people sit.

THE FIRST READING Acts 10:44-48

Lector The First Reading is taken from Acts chapter 10...

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Lector The Word of the Lord.People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 98 H-413 RENDEZ À DIEU

New songs of celebration render to him who has great wonders done; awed by his love his foes surrender and fall before the Mighty One. He has made known his great salvation which all his friends with joy confess; he has revealed to every nation his everlasting righteousness.

Joyfully, heartily resounding, let every instrument and voice peal out the praise of grace abounding, calling the whole world to rejoice. Trumpets and organs set in motion such sounds as make the heavens ring; all things that live in earth and ocean, make music for your mighty King.

Rivers and seas and torrents roaring, honor the Lord with wild acclaim; mountains and stones look up adoring and find a voice to praise his Name. Righteous, commanding, ever glorious, praises be his that never cease; just is our God, whose truth victorious establishes the world in peace.

Lector The Second Reading is taken from First John chapter 5...

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand as able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION H-632

MUNICH

O Christ, the Word Incarnate, O Wisdom from on high, O Truth, unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky; we praise thee for the radiance that from the scripture's page, a lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.

THE GOSPEL John 15:9-17

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people sit.

SERMON

The Rev. Whitney Burton

All stand as able.

THE NICENE CREED

People 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 Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Lector Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your

truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and

peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use

its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve

Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We give you thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially the flowers given today to the Glory of God, and for the birthdays this week for Betty Dieb, Lynne Henderson and Christine

Tsotsos.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially . . .

[add names from notebook] and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [leave time], give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of

your salvation.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector We commend to your mercy all who have died, (especially . . . [add names from

notebook]) and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [leave time] that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your

saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Please be seated.

OFFERTORY O Lord Most High

arr. Richard Shephard Choir

All stand as able.

THE PRESENTATION

Deacon We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God's world.

PRESENTATION HYMN

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Praise and honor to the Father, praise and honor to the Son, Praise and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one: One in might and one in glory while unending ages run!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer B

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantCelebrantThe Lord be with you.And also with you.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 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:

All Sanctus (WLP #858)

LAND OF REST

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. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

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,

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

Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting 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 Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, 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.

All Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant People 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.

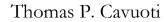
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM (WLP #865)





Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the Chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you. If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.

(all sing the refrain, the choir sings the verses)



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COMMUNION HYMN H-348 Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation O QUANTA QUALIA

Lord, we have come at your own invitation, chosen by you, to be counted as friends: yours is the strength that sustains our vocation, ours a commitment we know never ends.

Here, at your table, confirm our intention ever to cherish the gifts you provide; teach us to serve without pride or pretension, led by your Spirit, defender and guide.

When, at your table, each time of returning, vows are renewed, and our courage restored: may we increasingly glory in learning all that it means to accept you as Lord.

So, in the world where each duty assigned us gives us the chance to create or destroy, help us to make those decisions that bind us, Lord, to yourself, in obedience and joy.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant

Let us pray...

All

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE SENDING HYMN H-686 Come Thou Font of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

Lord, we have come at your own invitation, chosen by you, to be counted as friends: yours is the strength that sustains our vocation, ours a commitment we know never ends.

Here, at your table, confirm our intention ever to cherish the gifts you provide; teach us to serve without pride or pretension, led by your Spirit, defender and guide.

When, at your table, each time of returning, vows are renewed, and our courage restored: may we increasingly glory in learning all that it means to accept you as Lord.

So, in the world where each duty assigned us gives us the chance to create or destroy, help us to make those decisions that bind us, Lord, to yourself, in obedience and joy.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia.

VOLUNTARY Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Diane Bish

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant The Rev. Whitney Burton Deacon The Rev. Cindy Roehl

Organist/Choirmaster Tom Huffman Crucifer/Server Laurie Toohey

Torch/Chalicists Lynne Henderson & Tammi Wrest Lectors Laurie Toohey & Alan Mackay

Prayers of the People Ryan Stollenmaier

Ushers Crystal Collyer, Ayden

Watson, Alan Mackay &

Jackson Bond

Building & Grounds Pat Cates

Welcome Table Maureen Belote, Hilda Myers, Mary

Jane Zimbardi

Prayers are requested for:

The Week of Apr 28 – Butch N, Marc W, Mike T, Gene B, Mandville P, Mariann T, Barbara C, Dustin B, Arlene H, Tammy, Baby Miller, Dan, Emme, Gerry B, Christ E, Becky G, Diane T, Marc J, Christohper J, Elena C, Heather S, Collete S, Bonnie L, Maria M, Milly L, Bill GW, Bob S, Olena & Family, Eileen J, Diana S, Nick V, Jen, Dylan, Marilyn, Brian S, Anne C, Kari G, Jerry O, Adrianna P, Lou F, Kipling, Adrianna P/, Jay R, Dean S, Ed G. Jr, Ed G III, Colleen, Lourdes, Jason C, Helen-Marie, Suzanne, Benjamin, Dylan & Jen, Diane H, Pat C, Liza H & Family, Kirk M, Jim & Jo, Chris E, Barbara T, Theresa R, Richard B, Anne C, Greg, Summer

Celebrations this week: Birthdays - Betty Dieb, Lynne Henderson and Christine Tsotsos

Announcements

Rector's Discretionary Fund Sunday – Today all loose plate offering will be directed to the Rector's Discretionary Fund. These funds aid the Utility Assistance Program as well as other financial emergencies. Your generosity is appreciated.

Summer Services – Beginning June 2nd, join us in worship as one community at 9am on Sundays with coffee hour immediately after. Regular services at 8 and 10am will resume on August 4th.

Parking Lot Paving – The paved parking lot will be closed to be resealed and restriped May 7-10. Please park in Peace Park during this time.

Soul Sisters Meeting – All women in the parish are welcome to attend on May 18 at 10am in Kirk Hall. Guest speaker Frank Kneen will share about the Boys & Girls Club. Light refreshments provided.

Pentecost Sunday – May 19 is Pentecost Sunday. Wear your best red as we celebrate! **Children's Sunday School** – May 19 will be the last session of Children's Sunday School until it resumes in August. The Nursery for babies and toddlers will be available all summer.