



Sixth Sunday of Easter
Holy Eucharist Rite II
May 5, 2024
10:00 am

Prelude *Cantabile from Symphony No. 6* C. M. Widor

Opening Hymn *All Creatures of our God and King (vv. 1,4,5 & 7)* Hymnal 400

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Collect of Purity (*in unison*)

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.

Glory to God

S-280

Collect of the Day

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. **Amen**

Procession to Children's Chapel (*for children PK to 2nd grade; they return at Peace*)

First Reading

Acts 10:44-48

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98

1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

Gradual

In your mercy, Lord, you called me

Hymnal 706

The Holy Gospel

John 15:9-17

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

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.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Cara Spaccarelli

The Nicene Creed (in unison)

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People

Form III, BCP 387

The Confession and Absolution

BCP 360

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you

People **And also with you**

Recognition of Formation Leaders and Graduating Seniors

Announcements, Individual Blessings, and Blessing for Sabbatical

Offertory

With a voice of singing

Martin Shaw

Doxology

Hymnal 380 vs. 3

***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. Amen***

The Holy Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP 361

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 God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere . . . who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-125

The Celebrant continues until

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues until

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.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 336

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 337

Communion of the People

No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, we invite you to share with us in communion. Please follow the celebrant's directions in participating. If you need a gluten-free wafer, you may request one of the priests.

Communion Anthem

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus

arr. V. Whaley

Communion Hymn

O Love of God, how strong and true

Hymnal 455

Postcommunion Prayer

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.

Sending Out of Lay Eucharistic Visitor (*occasional*)

In the name of St. Christopher's, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you take them may share with us in the Body of Christ and the Cup of Salvation. In this Holy Communion we who are many are made one, because all share one bread, one cup.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

Earth and all stars

Hymnal 412

Dismissal

The response is

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

Festival

Healey Willan

*On the first Sunday of the month, prayers and anointing for healing
are offered at the altar rail after the service.*

*The Altar Flowers today are given by Nancy Barney and Family
in loving memory of John R "Jack" Barney Jr.*

Praise God for those Who Serve Today

Celebrant	The Rev. Cara Spaccarelli
Assisting Priest	The Rev. Chana Tetzlaff
Lector/Intercessor	Kevin and Dana Patterson
Ushers	Kirk and Kate King
Greeters	Rob and Martha Weissert
Musicians	St. Christopher's Choir
Acolytes	Thomas Bender, Cooper Grabow, and Sophie Frey
Children's Chapel	Jen Wiley and Susan McCormack

PRAYER LIST

Gayle W, Harold Bricker, Alan Demascus, Alan Skillicorn, Nolan Schmidt, Bob Trimpl,
Dave Goodwin, Sue Carney, Pam Hannah, Ashley Johnson, Lema and Malalai
Hussainyar, Finn Douglas, Liddell Pan, Brian Gregory, Daranee Teapthong, Gary Grebe,
Warren Smith, Cindy McCabe, Catherine Sadler, Shirley Young *Ongoing*: Sally Sandell,
Betty Belshaw, Susan McBeath, Tom Zmak, and Jane Martenson.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 5

8:00am Worship Service
9:15am Choir Rehearsal
10:00am Worship & Children's Chapel
11:00am Festive Coffee Hour Celebration

Monday, May 6

4:00pm Middle School Art Class

Tuesday, May 7

11:00am Contemplative Prayer (Zoom)
3:30pm Bible Study
6:30pm Armchair Theologians Chapel/Parlor

Thursday, May 9

7:30am Men's Book Study (Zoom)
6:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, May 11

10:00am Daughters of the King, Parish Hall

Sunday, May 12

8:00am Worship Service
9:15am Choir Rehearsal
10:00am Worship (no Children's Chapel)

Church Office Open Tuesday-Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Want to know more about what's happening at St. Christopher's?
This QR code will take you to the Wednesday Weekly News.



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We are glad you are here and look forward to connecting with you. When you are ready, fill out a visitor card on the podium in the back of the sanctuary so that we can be in touch.

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