

...where there is more than one way to *be, believe and belong*

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
22 May 2022

*A year of putting
our heads in our hearts*

Worshipping in Person and Online
9:30 in the morning

Welcome to Church of the Apostles

We are glad you are here and welcome you to fully participate in God's mission and ministry at Church of the Apostles. All are welcome, without exception or reservation. We are an inclusive Christian community that makes a difference in peoples' lives.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Prelude *Adagio* from *Concerto in A-minor* Antonio Vivaldi (arranged by J.S.Bach, BWV 593)

Processional

Peace before us

WLP 791 v1-4

1. Peace be - fore us, peace be - hind us,
 2. Love be - fore us, love be - hind us,
 3. Light be - fore us, light be - hind us,
 4. Christ be - fore us, Christ be - hind us,

peace un - der our feet. Peace with - in us,
 love un - der our feet. Love with - in us,
 light un - der our feet. Light with - in us,
 Christ un - der our feet. Christ with - in us,

1. 2. 3. 4. 5.

peace o - ver us, let all a - round us be peace.
 love o - ver us, let all a - round us be love.
 light o - ver us, let all a - round us be light.
 Christ o - ver us, let all a - round us be Christ.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the One, Holy and Living God.

People Now and forever. Amen.

The Gloria

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
God the Fa - ther.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord is with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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 the Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Christian Testament

Revelation 21.10, 22-22.5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Reader Here what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

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Let us say the Psalm responsively by half verse.

May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

Sequence Hymn

A repeating Alleluia

Calvin Hampton

Please stand.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - - - - ia.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus the Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Debra Asis

A period of silent meditation follows the sermon.

Words for the Wordless

Please stand as we say Words of the Wordless together.

**We believe Divine Presence, that we call One God,
is the essence and substance of all that is.
It transcends every image of human understanding.**

**We believe Jesus is an unprecedented revelation
of living in accord with Divine Presence,
He is an exemplar of the life giving and affirming potential
of being in full enunciation.**

We believe the Spirit of life that is present with all persons
is of the essence and substance of God.
It is the spark that transforms creaturely brutality
into inspired humanity.

We believe the Church exists to foster world transforming love;
by exercising 'power with' rather than 'power over,'
by cultivating community rather than conformity,
and by propagating unity rather than uniformity.

We believe questions are more valuable than answers
and humbly submit all that we believe
to prayerful examination.

***This statement of faith is a contemporary reflection on the mysteries of the Christian faith and an invitation to each of us to continue pondering the inexplicable presence and action of God in our world.*

Prayers of the People

Reader O holy One, we thank you that as we hear the ancient story of your mysterious workings in Jesus, we receive the echoes of your mercy and grace. We are reminded that it is You who look with favor upon us as you did with Mary and Joseph. It is You who have come to us and filled us with Your everlasting love. We do not need to find You for we have already been found by You.

People Holy One, hear our prayer.

Reader Be with those who have asked for our prayers, especially
*Silence. Say the names of those who ask for prayers
aloud or in the silence of your hearts*
and all people who know hardship, suffering or want.

People Holy One, hear our prayer.

Reader Be with those whose lives have become unstable or displaced and whose health is compromised.

People Holy One, hear our prayer.

Reader Be with the leaders of your church and the world; guide them to be their best selves and extinguish darkness by extending kindness, delivering hope and nurturing peace.

People Holy One, hear our prayer.

Reader Remind us that we are intended to be revelations of your love; give us the courage to extend Your love to all whom we meet.

People Holy One, hear our prayer.

Reader Remind us to treasure our fragile lives and tender earth; to act for the common good, and all for Your glory.

People Holy One, hear our prayer.

Presider Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus the Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Confession and Absolution

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus the Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen**

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord is always with you.

People And also with you.

THE EASTER FEAST

Offertory Anthem O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God traditional German

The Doxology

Hymn 618 v 4

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of five systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "4 O friends, in glad-ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - them ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ial To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ial". The score includes performance markings: "Unison" above the first system, "Harmony" above the second and fourth systems, and "Unison" above the fifth system. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

Celebrant *People*
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
 Lift up your hearts. 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.

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 the 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the

high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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 the 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 the 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:

Christ has died.

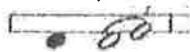
Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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 the 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 forever. *A - men.*

As our Savior the Christ has taught us, we now pray.

Pray either version of the Lord's prayer in your preferred language.

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.

Our Father in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sin as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil for yours is the kingdom and power and glory forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE AND HEALING PRAYER

All who seek Christ are welcome to receive the bread and wine made Holy. If you prefer to receive a blessing please come forward and cross your hands over your chest when the host is offered to you. Gluten free wafers are available. We affirm that all who worship with us online fully receive the spiritual presence.

Communion music

Peace I leave with you

Matthew Glandorf

The Post Communion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus the 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



- 1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
 *2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
 *3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
 4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our
 5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your
 *6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal
 7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



- 1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
 2 loft, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
 3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
 4 way, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and
 5 part, O — sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that
 6 breath, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back
 7 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



- 1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
 2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
 3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:
 5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:
 6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:
 7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain

O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Postlude *Now thank we all our God* arranged by Otmar Faulstich

Weekly Prayer List

We pray, O God, for Jane, Jim, Charlene, Tommy, John, Susan, Nahid, Drue, Dale, Audrey, Joan and all those suffering the effects of violence, hatred and fear especially the people of Ukraine and Russia.

We continue to pray for, Dawn & her family, Ava, Geri & John, John, Karter, Earl, Fran, Franco and Laurie.

We pray for our faithfully departed, especially Phyllis May Petersen.

For the President Joe and Governor Doug.

For our Presiding Bishop Michael, Bishop Jennifer, and our clergy, Rev. Debra and Rev. Sherry.

*Almighty God, you proclaim your truth in every age by many voices: Direct in our time, we pray, those who speak where many listen and write what many read; that they may do their part in making the heart of this people wise, its mind sound, and its will righteous; to the honor of Jesus the Christ our Lord. **Amen.***

For those who are serving in the Armed Forces at home or abroad, particularly Campbell Kerr, Robert Graham, Zack Rodriguez, Tom Marshall, Tim Jeffers and Thomas Aragon.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer Scottsdale St. Barnabas on the Desert

Anglican Cycle of Prayer Church of the Province of South East Asia

Prayer request forms are available at the Greeters' Table. You may complete and place them in the offering basket. People will remain on the prayer list for three weeks. Please contact the office to extend if needed. If you would like private prayer, please contact The Rev. Debra Asis. You may also request prayers through our Prayer Connections. Notify Terry Rosato at ter.rosato@gmail.com

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