



Christ Episcopal Church
Holy Eucharist
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 14, 2023 10:30 am

*If you are a visitor, we are grateful that you have joined us this morning. Should this form of worship be unfamiliar, relax and let the assembly carry you. We follow the worship pattern of the Book of Common Prayer (red book) beginning on page 355. Hymns and songs are found in Hymnal 1982 (blue book) or printed in this program.
Kindly turn off cellphones for the duration of the liturgy.*

Cover art: “Mothering Comfort,” the Episcopal Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul,
Washington National Cathedral, n.d.

All organ music for today was composed by
Johann Ludwig Krebs, a student of J. S. Bach.

Tolling bells invite us to silence and stillness.

Prelude

“Prelude and Fugue in e minor”

J. L Krebs

At the tolling of the bell, all rise as able and face the baptismal font.

Processional Hymn

“Sing Praise to God”

Hymnal 1982 408

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

Hymn of Praise

“This is the Feast of Victory for Our God” *Hymnal 1982* 417

Verses 1-3

Antiphon

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

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

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|---|--------------|------------|-------------------|---------|-----------|----------|
| 1 | Wor - thy | is | Christ, the Lamb | who was | slain, | whose |
| 2 | Pow - er, | rich - es, | wis - dom, | and | strength, | and |
| 3 | Sing | with | all the peo - ple | of | God, | and |
| 4 | Bless - ing, | hon - or, | glo - ry, | and | might | be to |
| 5 | For | the | Lamb | who was | slain | has be - |

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|---|-----------|--------------|----------|---------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1 | blood | set us | free | to be | peo - ple | of | God. | [Ant.] |
| 2 | hon - or, | bless - ing, | and | glo - ry | are | his. | [Ant.] | |
| 3 | join | in the | hymn of | all cre - a - | tion. | [Ant.] | | |
| 4 | God | and the | Lamb for | ev - er. | A | men. | [Ant.] | |
| 5 | gun | his | reign. | Al - le - lu | - | ia! | [Ant.] | |

Final Antiphon

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

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

Antiphon



O be joy-ful in God, all you lands; be joy-ful, all the earth.

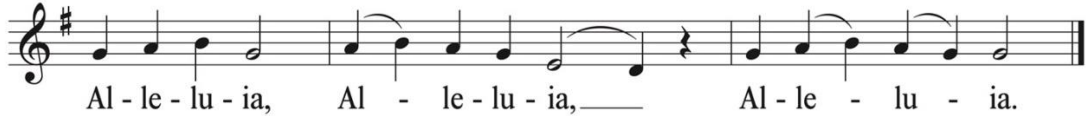
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my vows, *
which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in
trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; *
I will give you oxen and goats. **Antiphon**
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue. **Antiphon**
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart, *
the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
nor withheld his love from me. **Antiphon**

The Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22
Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

Silence and stillness

All rise as able.

Gospel Acclamation



Those who love me will keep my word, says the Lord.
My father and I will love them and will come to them.

The Holy Gospel: John 14:15-21

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the conclusion of the reading:

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All are seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Samuel Torvend

Silence and stillness

All rise as able.

The Nicene Creed

The Book of Common Prayer, page 358

The Prayers

Deacon: With the whole people of God, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

At the conclusion of each petition:

We pray to you, O Christ. **Hear us risen Lord.**

Concluding Collect

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

You are welcome to offer a word or gesture of peace to your neighbors.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

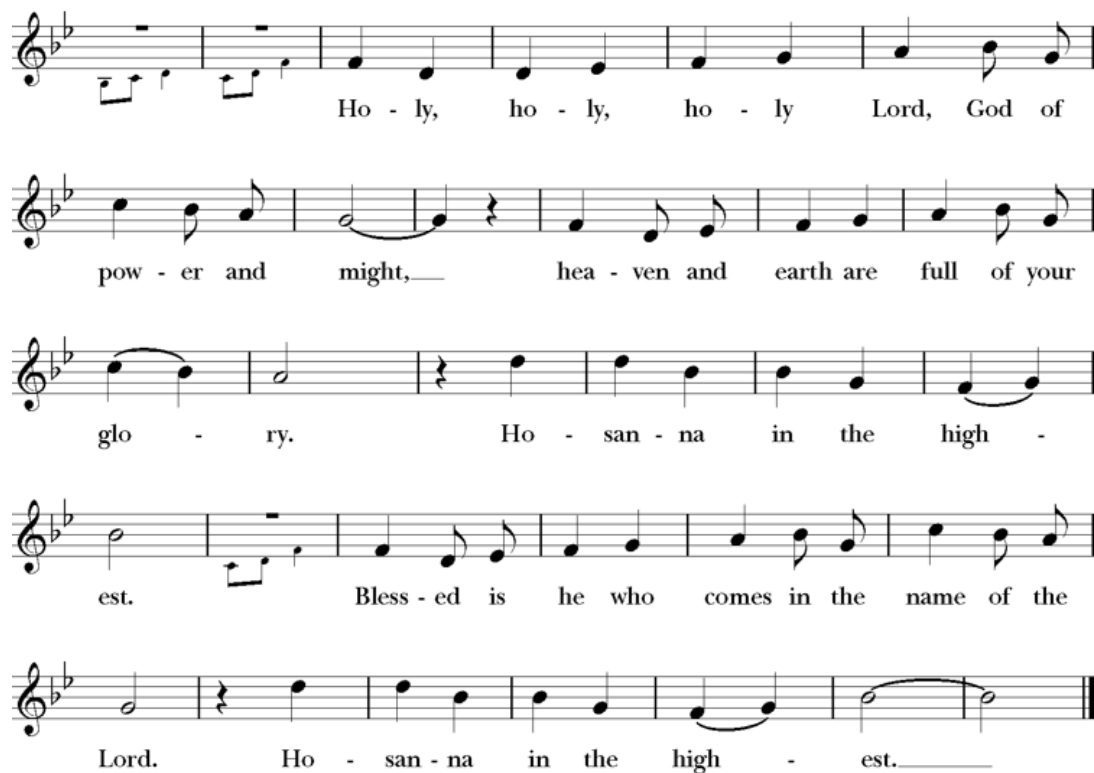
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Offertory Music

“Have Mercy On Me, O God”

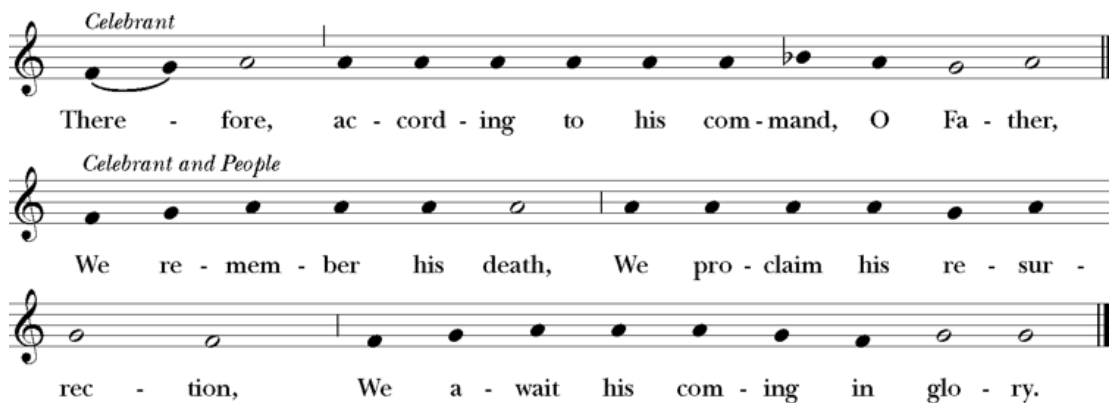
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Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, — hea - ven 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. —

Memorial Acclamation



Celebrant
There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,
Celebrant and People
We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

The Great Doxology

Celebrant *People*

A - men.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant

As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Celebrant and People

Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,

your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.

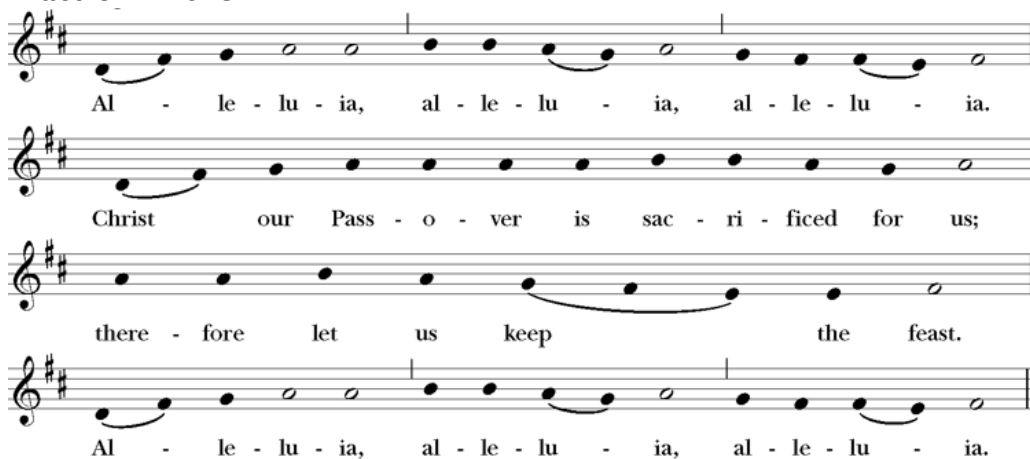
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.

Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.

For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,

now and for ev - er. A - men.

Fraction Anthem



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.

*All who desire to receive the Body and Blood Christ in the gifts of bread and wine and serve his mission in the world are welcome to communion. Come to the altar platform along the **middle aisle** of the left and right sections. When a place at the altar railing opens up, walk to that space and stand or kneel. Receive the bread in your hand and consume it; then assist the minister as they guide the cup of wine to your lips and take a sip. Please note that to protect the health of our community, **we do not practice intinction** (dipping the bread in the cup). Once you have received communion, return to your seat by **the central or outer aisle**.*

Communion Music

“Trio in d minor”

J. L. Krebs

Communion Anthem

“If You Love Me”

Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may bide with you forever, e'en the spirit of truth.

Communion Meditation

The mother can give her child to suck of her milk, but our precious Mother Jesus can feed us with himself, and does, most courteously and most tenderly, with the blessed sacrament, which is the precious food of true life. The mother can lay her child tenderly to her breast, but our tender Mother Jesus can lead us easily into his blessed breast through his sweet open side, and show us there a part of the godhead and of the joys of heaven, with inner certainty of endless bliss. This fair lovely word 'mother' is so sweet and so kind in itself that it cannot truly be said of anyone or to anyone except of him and to him who is the true Mother of life and of all things.

~ Julian of Norwich, *Revelations of Divine Love*, 1373

All rise as able.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father,

You have ...

BCP 365

Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

Amen.

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ forever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, [+] the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

“Alleluia, Alleluia”

Hymnal 1982 191

Verses 1, 2, 4, & 5

The Dismissal



Go in the peace of Christ, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia
Thanks be to God, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia

Postlude

“Prelude and Fugue in C Major”

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The May 7th Flowers were given in celebration of Bill Giddings' 90th birthday.

A Lonely Resurrection?

After you've fetched a cup of coffee or tea in Wells Hall, join Fr. Torvend in the Parish Library today for a discussion of the Eastern Orthodox portrayal of the resurrection and what this means for our spiritual lives during the Fifty Days of Easter. Each participant receives an image of the Byzantine icon, a sweet deal!

Welcome to Newcomers: If you would like to know more about our way of life, and subscribe to our *Weekly E-news*, fill out the Welcome Card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plates. Worry not: we won't besiege you with emails. We invite you to explore our website and participate in any activities which interest you.

Assisting with the liturgy: Presider and Preacher: The Rev. Samuel Torvend; Deacon: The Ven. Gen Grewell, Archdeacon; Eucharistic Minister and Intercessor: Sandy Johanson Acolytes: Pam Vidan and David Pierce; Lector: David Oakman; Interim Music Director: Dr. Paul Tegels; the Christ Church Choir; Ushers: Winfield Giddings, Liz Johnson, Dennis Johnson, and Dylan Hays; Altar Guild: Linda Johnson, Edith Abicht, Shelby Clayson, and Caroline Woodhams; Coffee Hour Host: Fran Blair.

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