ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 16, 2021

Prelude

"Prayer of Christ Ascending to His Father"

Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn 450 "All hail the power of Jesus' Name!"

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The Easter Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

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 God's 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.

The Collect of the Day

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen*.

The Lesson: Acts 1 15-17, 21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from usone of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1 Beatus vir qui non abiit

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, * and on this law they meditate day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; * everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; * they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Lesson: 1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 483 "The head that once was crowned with thorns"

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: John 17: 6-19

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

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

The Homily The Rev. Mark Kozielec

Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: Today we thank God that the Christ who ascended is with us, visible in the lives of God's people. Let us pray for all people, and for the life about us, praying, Risen Lord, **Hear our prayer**.

Leader: O God, in the resurrection and ascension of your Son, you have drawn us nearer to yourself. Together with your Son may we be together also with all the people of the world: We pray for our lives, our families, our companions, and all those we love, We celebrate on his birthday with Thomas Diekemper,

Let us give thanks to the God of Life, praying, Risen Lord,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for the Church, that we may be transformed with love, casting out all fear: We pray for our clergy and our bishops,

For all the lay people, the true ministers of the Church,

Who lovingly serve the world as the community of the Church.

In the Diocesan cycle of Prayer, we pray for the people and ministry of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Ferguson;

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Korea;

In our local Ecumenical cycle of Prayer, we pray for our sisters and brothers at the Trinity Assembly of God Church;

We pray for the holy churches in every place, that we may come to know the unity of faith, praying, Risen Lord,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for the world and its leaders in the midst of this global pandemic, and our nation and its people, that all may work for justice and peace, bringing an end to war, destruction, and oppression, praying Risen Lord,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for all those in the world who are sick, all who suffer, especially those impacted by the COVD-19 virus, and those who struggle with addiction or difficult demands of daily life. We pray for the hungry and homeless and those who experience desolation and for those who feel remote from God. We pray for all those who have been separated from their families and homes and all who live with this fear. We pray for those on our parish prayer list and those we name either silently or aloud [pause], that the hope born of Easter may give them peace, acceptance and renewal, praying, Risen Lord,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for those who have died, that they be welcomed to new and eternal life, embraced by God and the communion of saints, praying, Risen Lord,

People: Hear our prayer.

The celebrant offers this concluding collect.

Eternal God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life for all creation; grant us grace to love one another, to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem "Hail the day that sees him rise"

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Eucharistic Prayer from Enriching Our Worship

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.

Celebrant

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. But chiefly we praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ; you raised him to life triumphant over death; you exalted him in glory. By his victory over death the reign of sin is ended, a new age has dawned, a broken world is restored and we are made whole once more.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

Celebrant and People

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.

During the Great Fifty Days of the Easter season it is customary to remain standing for prayer.

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before his suffering and death, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: Celebrant and People Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*.

The Lord's Prayer

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

People and Celebrant

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.

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant Alleluia! We break this bread to share in the body of Christ

People We who are many are one body for we all share in the one bread. Alleluia!

The Ministration of Communion

All who hunger and thirst for God are welcome to receive the Holy Communion at this altar. Gluten free hosts are available. Please let the minister know that you require gluten free.

Organ Voluntary at Communion

Prayer after Communion

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, fill your hearts and minds with the knowledge and love of God, and of Jesus Christ, our Savior. And the blessing of God, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn 494 "Crown him with many crowns" see page 10

Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the

Spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP

Lector: Vicki Stegmann Ushers: Doug Jeffery, Greg Diekemper

Greeter: Ellen Jeffery

Livestream: Lynn Heritage

Godly Play: Danieley Cantors: Tom Bradley and Melissa Edwards



6 Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

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Sequence Hymn 483 "The head that once was crowned with thorns" St. Magnus 1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now; high - est place that 2 The heaven af - fords his, his by right, 3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low, To 4 them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given; 5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove, roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow. a 2 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's e ter - nal Light; 3 whom he man - i - fests his love know. to and grants his name to ev - er - last - ing name; their 4 their name, an joy, the joy \mathbf{of} heaven. 5 their prof - it and their joy to know the of his love. mys - tery

6 The cross he bore is life and health, though shame and death to him: his people's hope, his people's wealth, their everlasting theme.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

For those not attending worship in person, Holy Communion will be offered on the church steps following the service, between 11:15 AM and Noon.

St. Mark's ECW Meeting Sunday, May 16



While we were able to meet virtually, it's been more than a year since the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of St. Mark's have met in person for fellowship, prayer and outreach. We've missed you!

With the weather warming up and things returning a bit to normal, we've decided to host an outdoor gathering on the lawn at St. Mark's on Sunday, May 16 at 2 p.m. (Social distancing guidelines will be observed.) Bring a chair, a beverage, and stories of your quarantine experience, challenges and insight. We'll provide dessert.

In case of rain, we'll move the date to Sunday, May 23.

Remember, all women of St. Mark's are automatically members of ECW. ECW's purpose is to empower the women of the church to carry out Christ's work throughout the world. As the eyes, ears, hands and heart of Christ in the world, we persist in the work of healing, justice and peace. We hope that you will join us!—Susan Goen and Karen Watts



Feed My People Food Drive

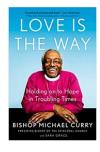
Marti Robards is coordinating food donations for Feed My People on Sunday May 16th. Donations can be brought to the trunk of Marti's car or to the East Entrance (Locke Ave) after the 10:00 am Service.



Sunday Psalms through Trinity Sunday

Join us as we engage with the Psalms appointed for Sunday worship through Trinity Sunday (Lectionary Year B). As we did during Lent, we will read various translations of each Psalm and discuss what these Psalms bring to our lives today.

Wednesday evening, May 19th, at 7:00 via Zoom



Book Group in May: Love is the Way

This May, we will read Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's latest book, *Love is the Way: Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times*. In this book, Bishop Curry "expands on his message of hope in an inspirational road map for living the way of love, illuminated with moving lessons from his own life." It is a delightful and thought-provoking read.

Please join on Saturday, May 22nd at noon, for lunch and discussion

IN THE MARKINGS

- ► ECM Youth in Detention Birthday Party (updated)
- ► Get your copy of the 2021 St. Mark's Directory
- ► Zoom link for May Book Group
- ► Alpine Travel Club Trip

We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Deon our Bishop, for Mark our Rector, for Jerre our Deacon, for Teresa our Priest Associate, and for all the holy People of God;

In the Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the people and ministry of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Ferguson;

In the Anglican Cycle, we pray for the Anglican Church of Korea;

In the local ecumenical cycle, we pray for our sisters and brothers at the Trinity Assembly of God Church;

We pray for our ministry outreach partner Doorways Interfaith Housing, its clients, staff, volunteers and supporters;

We pray for those who are ill, in trouble or distress of any kind, especially Vickie B., Lynn Kiamie Bianchini, Holly Blicker, Marianne & Steve Chamberlin, Janet and George Chance, Gary Dietrich, Alan Doyle, Mary Feldmeier, Nicole Fiehler, Regena Foulkes, Carlos Gomez, Bill Henkel and family, Yaz Hernandez and family, Sharon Hoffmann, Carol Hohenberger and her mission team, Fred Hohenberger, Peggy Holmes, Ellen, the LaBeaume family, Justine LoStocco, Kelly, Barbra Macke and Beth, Crystal Mersch, Terry Muckleston, Jenny Mullikin, Neicee Nelson, Gary & Kathy Makely, Robin Mendica, Cathy Menendez, Nina Olmsted, Cynthia and her mother Helen Pierson, Maureen Polasek, Chris Reeves, Linda Ritterskamp, Shannon Robinson, Susan Rowe and family, Becky Schroeder, Pam Sellers, David Shelton, Henry Shelton, Brad Shelton, Mitch Shelton and family, Ann Vannier, Lindsay Watts, Margie Weaver, Marilyn & David Wiethop, Cheryl Wyatt, Jonny, David, Izzy, Robbie, Nicole, Dean and family, Clay, Judy, Yaz, Hector, Leticia, Hector Jr, Tanis, Justine, Terry, Jessica, Pat, Kim, Conner, Dorothy, Judie, Aidan, Penny, Sheeran, Linnea and her family, Carmen, Leslie, Mark, Tom, Logan, Ethan, Kathleen, Blake, Elizabeth, Eric, Sharon, Christine, Lauren, Martha, Gabe, Marsha, Keith and Jen.

We give thanks on his birthday with Thomas Diekemper.

We pray for those serving in the armed forces, especially Jon Foy, Alec Garbs, Robert McCarthy, Brandon George, Jon Moore, Paul Malabar, Chris Weinrich, and Matthew.

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