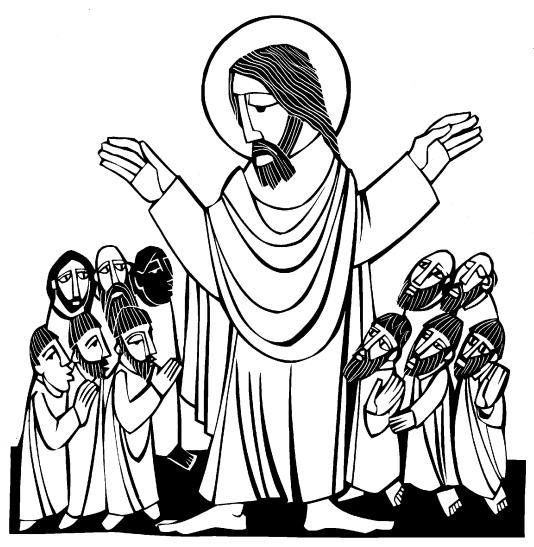
The Seventh Sunday of Easter



""I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled."

~ John 17:12

Sunday, May 12 at 10AM





This service bulletin will guide your participation in our worship service. You may also follow along in the (red) Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355.

We say together the text in **bold.**

Our liturgy welcomes people of all ages. For those who desire it, the **Nursery** is open and staffed by our professional team. An Usher can direct you.

Hearing devices are available at both entrances to the church. An usher is happy to assist you.

Easter is the center and climax of the Christian year. The seven weeks of the Easter Season are a celebration and an exploration of God's sacrificial, loving victory over every form of death and destruction. Easter assures of God's never-failing love, affirms our identity as God's children, and enables us to embody God's love for the world.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude

Prelude on Llanfair

McNeil Robinson

Welcome and Announcements

Processional Hail the day that sees him rise Hymn 214 Hail the day that Al sees rise, ia! 2 There the glo-rious Al lu ia! tri - umph waits; *3 See! he lifts his hands a bove; Al lu ia! 4 Lord be-yond our mor tal sight, ia! skies: Al ia! glo - rious to his na - tive le hu Al ia! lift your heads, e ter - nal gates! le lu prints of he shows the love: Al le lu ia! hearts to reach thy height, ia! le - lu - ia! Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Wide un - fold the diant scene; le - lu - ia! ra -Hark! his gra - cious lips stow, Al le - lu - ia! be le - lu - ia! there thy face un cloud ed see. Al high - est heaven! Al le lu ial en - ters the now take the King of glo - ry in! **A1** le. lu ia! Church be low. A1 le ia! bless-ings on his lu find our heaven of heavens in thee. ia!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: Llanfair, Robert Williams (1781-1821).

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.**



Our weekly **liturgy** (i.e., form of worship) follows a pattern that Christians have enacted for centuries gathering in God's house, proclaiming God's deeds in scripture and song, communing with God in prayer, and eventually gathering at the altar/table to be nourished by Christ's Body & Blood. This pattern is how we remember God's love for us. It also allows us to remember ourselves as God's people for the world.

Every service of the Eucharist, or Mass, is divided into two sections: the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of Holy Communion. The first section borrows from Jewish synagogue patterns of readings, teaching & prayer. The second section is a gathering – a literal a "re-membering" – of the Body of Christ around the table of Christ as we celebrate the Last Supper. Jesus instructed us to, "do this in remembrance of me" (Lk 22:19).

The **Collect** is a short prayer that changes every week, yet its function remains the same. This opening petition is meant to *collect* our scattered thoughts and intentions as we communally direct our hearts and minds to God.

First Reading: In this climactic episode prior to Pentecost, the company of believers picks two candidates to fill the apostolic office vacated by Judas. The selection is made by casting lots (a Hebrew custom to discern God's will). While undue attention is sometimes given to this mysterious practice, the narrative makes clear that God is the one choosing Matthias to share in apostolic ministry as a witness to Christ.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And 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.**

Please be seated

First Reading

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

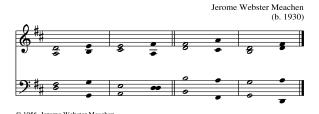
In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among 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 us-- one 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Psalm 1 Sung by choir and congregation



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!**

Their delight is in the law of the **LORD**, * and they meditate on his law day and **night**.

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**.

It is not so with the **wicked**; *

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment **comes**, *

nor the sinner in the council of the **righteous**.

For the LORD knows the way of the **righteous**, * but the way of the wicked is **doomed**.

Second Reading

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Today's **Psalm**, with a call to righteous living based on the "law of the Lord," serves as a fitting introduction to all the psalms. It springs from the wisdom tradition. demonstrating a clear connection between prosperity and rightliving. The righteous are those who have not taken the advice of the wicked, but delight in God's teaching (Torah). They "meditate" upon it, literally, read it aloud in a low voice. The Lord is in intimate and personal relationship with the righteous.

Today's **Second** Reading concludes a discussion about witnessing to the Son of God. The testimony of God was manifested in two ways: first, through God's saving action in Jesus: second, through the result of that action – eternal life for the believer. In sum, God's saving action is greater than even the best human action.



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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Today's Gospel Reading is from what is known as the "high priestly prayer" of Jesus at the Last Supper. He offers himself to the Father and speaks as high priest by interceding for others. Jesus' ministry on earth is complete and he has revealed God to the disciples. For John, this prayer expresses Jesus' union and communion with the Father, spoken aloud before the disciples so that they may share that union. It is revelation as well as intercession. Jesus prays for himself, for the disciples and for future believers. The disciples – and all Christians - are consecrated (set apart) as Jesus was by his Incarnation. This is not merely for self-purification but also for mission. The mission of the disciples is to continue the presence - and judgment - of Jesus in the world.

The Nicene Creed

Please stand

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.

Each week we **pray** for the Church, the world, the suffering & the dead. We pray for those who are closest to us, as well as those who are furthest away, being reminded in prayer that our family in Christ includes strangers whom we may never meet. The specific language & global perspective are offered to shape & inform our individual prayers throughout the week.

Prayers of the People: Form III Stand or kneel BCP 387

O God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church, including those in our diocesan cycle of prayer, St. Mark's, Northumberland and The Anglican Church of Burundi; **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey, our Bishop; and Eric, our Rector;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; especially Joseph, our President; Josh, our Governor; and all our local officials; **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially Joselynn, Rich, Dan, Randy, Vernon, John, Milton, Larry, Barb, Bud, Vickie, Bob, Ed, MaryEllen, Bill, Laura, Richard, Victoria, Lance, Matthew, Arthur, Ellen, Jeanine, Donna, Marilyn, Gerald and family, Jami, Ron, John, Carol, Denise, Clayton, Amy, the people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Sudan, Haiti, and Haitian refugees living in York.

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; especially Edward, Letha, Robert, Kathryn, and James

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, either silently or aloud.

Pause for petitions from the People.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace Please stand

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.



THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

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God Has Gone Up With a Shout

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hat are the The Presentation of Eucharistic Elements

That Easter Day with joy was bright

Hymn 193



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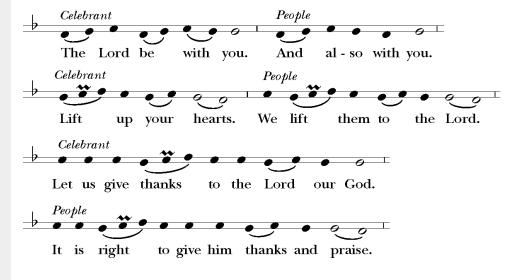
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The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer D BCP 372



Q. What are the sacraments?

A. The sacraments are outward and visible signs of inward and spiritual grace, given by Christ as sure and certain means by which we receive that grace. (BCP, 857)

Q. What is the Holy Eucharist?

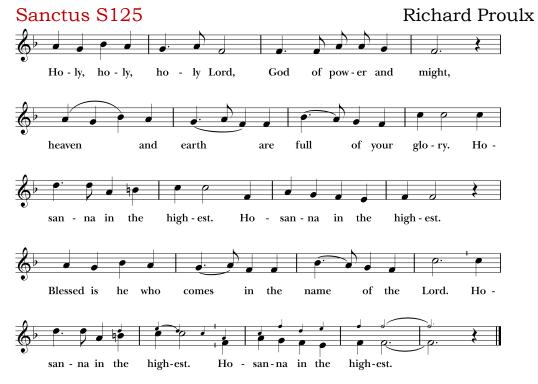
A. The Holy Eucharist is the sacrament commanded by Christ for the continual remembrance of his life, death, and resurrection, until his coming again. (BCP, 859)

The prayer begins with the opening dialogue, the **sursum corda** ("Lift up your hearts...").

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

The Celebrant continues.

Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:



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The Celebrant continues with a remembrance of salvation history and Jesus' Words of Institution at the Last Supper until ... we praise you and we bless you.

We praise you, we bless you, We give thanks to you, And we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues with prayers, summoning the Holy Spirit, until:

Celebrant Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Sanctus, Benedictus

This proclamation includes two songs of praise. "Holy, Holy, Holy" is the song of angels surrounding God's throne (Rev. 4:8). "Hosanna!" is the song of pilgrims who welcomed Jesus to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday (Matt. 21:9). We join with both the angels of heaven and all those looking for God's deliverance in our world.

Bread and wine are offered in remembrance of the Last Supper in which Jesus took bread and wine and gave to his disciples, instructing them to "do this in remembrance of me."

In the **fraction**, or breaking of bread, the Passion of Christ is "publicly exhibited" before our eyes (Gal. 3:1).

The Lord's Prayer

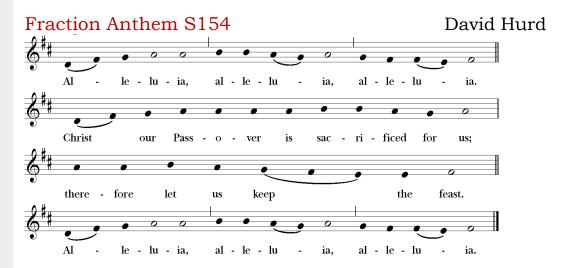
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.



Invitation to Communion and Godly Play

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Ushers will invite each row. Please notify an usher to receive Communion at your pew. Communion in the Episcopal Church is open to all baptized Christians. Please come to the altar rail when invited; either kneel or stand. To receive the **bread** place one hand cupped on top of the other with palms facing up. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. **Wine** may be received either from the common chalice or from a tray of individual cups which follows the chalice. **Children** are invited to receive Communion first, or a blessing if not yet receiving Communion, and then dismiss to Godly Play.

Communion Music

My God, They Table Now is Spread

Doddridge/Miller

Ablutions



At the **altar** we offer ourselves to God, allowing ourselves to be broken & shared, like bread and wine, for the world. Finally, we receive the bread & wine – the Body & Blood of Christ – our spiritual food & drink, which unites us to Christ and his risen life.

Q. What are the benefits which we receive in the Lord's Supper?

A. The benefits we receive are the forgiveness of our sins, the strengthening of our union with Christ and one another, and the foretaste of the heavenly banquet which is our nourishment in eternal life.

(BCP, 859-60)

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Blessing of Communion Kit for Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant The cup of blessing which we bless is a sharing in the Blood of Christ. The bread which we break is a sharing in the Body of Christ. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten.

People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, we send you out bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood. We who are many, are one body because we all share one bread, one cup. **Amen**.

Post Communion Prayer

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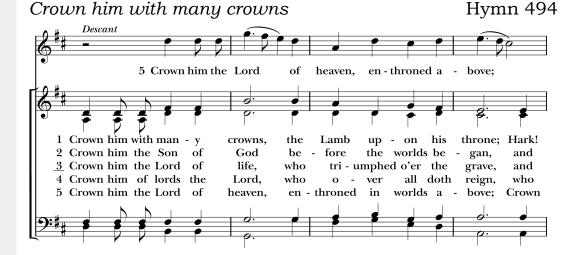
Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

The Blessing

The response is: Amen.

Recessional



The term Mass derives from a Latin dismissal: Ite, missa est, or "Go, you are sent."



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Dismissal

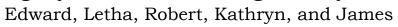
Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude Prelude on 'Wachet auf'

Robert Hobby

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:





Parish Prayer List

Please Pray For: Joselynn, Rich, Dan, Randy, Vernon, John, Milton, Larry, Barb, Bud, Vickie, Bob, Ed, MaryEllen, Bill, Laura, Richard, Victoria, Lance, Matthew, Arthur, Ellen, Jeanine, Donna, Marilyn, Gerald and family, Jami, Ron, John, Carol, Denise, Clayton, Amy, the people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Sudan, Haiti, and Haitian refugees living in York.

The Departed: Edward Vernon (5/12), Letha I. Morningstar (5/15), Robert L. Morningstar (5/15), Kathryn Williamson (5/15), and James Lynn Keesey, Sr. (5/18).

Birthdays: Lewis Stewart (5/13), Anne Moul (5/13), Alex Gleba (5/15), Melony Kearns (5/15), Bernadette Livingston (5/16), and Mason Miller (5/16).

Anniversaries: Carolyn and Thomas Hinton (5/12), Melony and Steven Kearns (5/14), and Bill and Deb Rosevear (5/17).

Worship Schedule This Week

Wednesday, 10AM: Holy Eucharist

Sunday, 8AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite I; 10AM: Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Announcements

Happy Mothers Day! Please join the Parish Life Committee after the service to honor the mothers of St. John with a Mommies and Muffins Coffee Hour.

Join us for a **York Revolution** baseball game on Friday, June 21 at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$25/adults and \$13/children, including admission and a buffet dinner on the Bud Light Home Run Patio at 6pm. To reserve tickets please email Kristine Potter-Klouse at krispotter 13@hotmail.com. A sign-up sheet is also available on the front table in the Commons. Please do not allow cost to be an obstacle. Fr. Eric is happy to provide full scholarships, rector@stjohnyork.org. Family members and friends are always welcome to join us!

The Outreach Committee is sponsoring a **Toiletry Drive** over the next two Sundays, **May 19 and 26**, to support the **New American Welcome Center**. A collection bin will be in The Commons for you to place your donations. Items of greatest need are bar soap, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, hand lotion, and feminine pads.