

St. Charles Episcopal Church

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist - Rite II



The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022

Welcome! We are pleased you are joining us today. Please share this service with your family, friends, and neighbors. For those in person today, masks are recommended, but not required. Please respect one another's requests for physical distance. Hand sanitizer and soap are provided in our restrooms to assist with hand hygiene. All these actions of love and service help protect us all, including the most vulnerable to serious illness, from contracting the Covid-19 coronavirus. Thank you, and God bless you for your faithfulness.

Voluntary

Litany for Peace

Donald Busarow (1934-2011)

The bell rings; the people stand as they are able.

THE WORD OF GOD

Gathering Hymn 518

Westminster Abbey

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: 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.

People: Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: 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 Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

The people sit.

First Reading

Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as they are able.

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia

Celtic Mass
Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker



Gospel

John 5:1-9

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ. † *forehead*, † *mouth*, † *heart*

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids--blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people sit.

Sermon

The Rev. Stacy Walker

The people stand as they are able.

Nicene Creed

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.

Prayers of the People

During the silences we may offer our private concerns and prayers to God.

Celebrant: In this season of the Spirit let us offer our prayers and thanksgivings for the world, saying, Lord send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Reader: All creation lives to praise you, O God. As the earth yields its blessing, may we honor and protect the precious gifts of nature and give thanks for the beauty, healing, and sustenance it provides for all. Lord send out your Spirit,

People: And renew the face of the earth.

Reader: You bless your church throughout all the ages with leaders like Paul and Lydia to share in the spreading of the gospel. Give to your church this day a profound sense of the mission to which you now call us for the life and health of the world. Lord, send out your Spirit,

People: And renew the face of the earth.

Reader: You judge the people with equity and guide the nations of the earth. Give to all leaders and people the gift of wisdom and the spirit of peace, that we may walk by your light as we serve the common good. Lord, send out your Spirit,

People: And renew the face of the earth.

Reader: You promise to be with us always through the comfort of your Holy Spirit. Give to all who suffer violence, grief, or pain an enduring trust in Jesus that joy will rise again. Lord, send out your Spirit,

People: And renew the face of the earth.

Reader: We give thanks for the many blessings of our lives, that as we follow Jesus, he journeys with us day by day through the presence of your Holy Spirit, our Advocate and teacher. Lord, send out your Spirit,

People: And renew the face of the earth.

Reader: You are alpha and omega, the beginning and the end. Be with all who are born this day, and those who will die, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and may we all come to share in your heavenly city with voices of unending praise. Lord, send out your Spirit,

People: And renew the face of the earth.

Reader: For all who have died, that you will bring them to the fullness of your joy, especially for _____, where mourning and pain will be no more. Lord, send out your Spirit,

People: And renew the face of the earth.

Reader: For all who suffer with sickness, need, or danger, that all our afflictions and fears are met with healing and the comforting presence of your voice. We pray especially for _____. Lord, send out your Spirit,

People: And renew the face of the earth.

Celebrant: For so many blessings, and for answered prayers, we give you thanks through Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.

All: Amen.

The Confession of Sin is omitted during Eastertide

Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The ministers and people greet one another in the name of the Lord. The people sit.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

The people stand as they are able

Offertory Hymn 537

Moscow

**The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer D**

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 him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: 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. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

The musical score is written on five staves of music. Each staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,'. The second staff continues with 'heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -'. The third staff continues with 'san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.'. The fourth staff continues with 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -'. The fifth staff concludes with 'san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.'.

The people kneel, or stand, as they are able.

Celebrant: We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did

not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption, recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**All: We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Celebrant: Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

All: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, 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

The priest breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence is kept.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion

All Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available as well as grape juice; please make your need known to the minister. If you wish to receive a blessing rather than communion, please indicate by crossing your arms when you approach the Celebrant. Individual healing prayer is available for those who wish to participate. Please wear a mask and write your request using the paper and pencil provided in the pews. Ushers will direct participants.

The people stand as they are able.

Communion Hymn 513

Bridegroom

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The people stand as they are able.

Blessing

Celebrant: 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.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: 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 for ever.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: 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.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People: Amen.

Sending Forth Hymn 400
(omit stanzas 2,3, and 6)

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit, alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

Voluntary

Trumpet Intrada

John Dixon (b. 1957)



Upcoming Events 2022:

- ❖ Summer Service Schedule begins on Sunday, May 29, 2022
One service only at 9:30 a.m through September 4, 2022
- ❖ Sunday, May 29, 2022
High School Pilgrimage Car Wash after church
- ❖ Sunday, May 29, 2022 4:30 p.m.
Free Spaghetti Dinner
- ❖ Sunday, June 5, 2022 Pentecost Picnic following our 9:30 a.m.
service.

See *The Pulse* for more details on these events.

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Household Prayer: Morning

Holy Spirit,
enliven in us a faith
and witness like Lydia's,
that through deepened prayer
we might rise to action
in service of the gospel.
Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

God,
it is night and the time
for rest has come.
We have served you
in love this day and for this
we give you thanks.
Do not leave us comfortless,
but send your Spirit
to abide with us
as we trust in you this night.
Amen.

RULE OF LIFE at St. Charles Episcopal Church

Our Rule of Life is how we live the Gospel daily.

- ❖ Christ is the cornerstone of the church, and prayer is the foundation of our life together.
- ❖ We come together in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist on a regular basis.
- ❖ We listen to one another with the compassionate heart of Christ and ask questions for clarification.
- ❖ We respect one another's stories by listening and keeping their confidence.
- ❖ We strive to practice forgiveness as we have been forgiven through Jesus' death and resurrection.
- ❖ We behave knowing God is in our midst.
- ❖ We seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbor as ourselves.
- ❖ We respect the dignity of every human being.
- ❖ We actively build worship, education, service and giving.

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"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice." Philipians 4:4