



# St. John's Episcopal Church

## Hear the Spirit ~ See God's Beauty ~ Act in Love

*The Seventh Sunday of Easter*  
*May 13, 2018 10am*

### WELCOME

We are blessed by your presence and prayers today. We invite you to participate fully in our worship. Please introduce yourself to our ushers, so that we can greet you, and answer your questions. You can be added to our email newsletter list by completing a blue visitor card, available from the ushers. For more information about St. John's, check our website: [www.stjohns02129.org](http://www.stjohns02129.org)

The service leaflet in your hand is designed to lead you through today's worship. The numbers on the hymn board refer to *The Hymnal 1982*, the larger book in the pew racks, and page references refer to *The Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), the smaller book. **Large print bulletins, hymnals, and prayer books** are available from the ushers.

**Nursery Care** is provided by our nursery caregivers during the service. The nursery is on the first floor of the Parish House; proceed through the passageway to the right of the altar platform. Please feel free to visit during the service.

**Christian Formation classes** for children aged 3 years and up start at 9:45 am in the Parish House. Children then join us for worship at the offertory hymn.

**Restrooms with a Changing Table** can be found by proceeding through the passageway located to the right of the altar platform into the Parish House.

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

*As the Prelude begins, an attitude of quiet is requested.*

**Prelude** *Ciaccona*

Bernardo Storace (ca. 1637-ca. 1707)

### THE WORD OF GOD

*All stand to sing the*

**Opening Hymn 214** *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise*

LLANFAIR

### The Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

### Collect for Purity

*All join in singing the*  
**Gloria**

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. A - men.

*The Presider bids*

**The Collect of the Day**

*insert*

<i>Presider</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	<b>And also with you.</b>
<i>Presider:</i>	Let us pray.

**The First Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26**

**Psalm 1**

*sung to the tune OLD HUNDREDTH, #377 in the hymnal*

1. How happy those who have not walked  
With the ungodly of the land,  
Nor lingered in the sinners' way.  
Nor sat with those who mock God's hand.

2. How happy those who love the law  
And find in it their chief delight;  
They meditate continually  
Upon God's Law both day and night.

3. Like fruitful trees by flowing streams,  
With leaves that never fade or fall  
Are those who serve God day and night;  
They find prosperity in all.

4. The wicked are not so; they seem  
Like chaff the wind will blow away;  
They have no place with the elect,  
Nor can they stand on Judgment Day.

5. Then praise our God who knows so well  
The way in which the righteous go;  
The path which the ungodly walk  
Is doomed, as all God's people know.

**The Second Reading: 1 John 5:9-13**

*insert*

**The Sequence Hymn 341** *For the Bread Which You Have Broken*

OMNIE DIE

**The Gospel: John 17:6-19**

*insert*

<i>Presider</i>	The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
<i>People</i>	<b>Glory to you, Lord Christ.</b>

*The Presider proclaims the Gospel.*

<i>Presider</i>	The Gospel of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<b>Praise to you, Lord Christ.</b>

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Lyn Brakeman

*After a period of silence, please stand as able.*

## **The 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:  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
and became truly human.  
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,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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.**

*\*The filioque clause ("and the Son") is omitted in Orthodox Christianity and is an option for Anglicans also to omit.*

## **The Prayers of the People**

*During the pause after each intercession, you are invited to add individual intercessions, either in silence or aloud.*

### *Intercessor*

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our presiding bishop, and Alan and Gayle, our bishops, for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.                      *Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for Donald, our president, for Charles, our governor, and for the mayors of our communities. Pray for justice and peace.                      *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.                      *Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.                      *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially those we now name.... (pause) Pray for those who have died.

I ask your prayers for Ada, Nancy, Isabella, Trudy, Lumine, Anne, Paul, Scott, the Krueger family, Judy, Dorothy, Kim, David, Susan, Becca, Joseph, Peter, Lucia, Al, Richard and Elaine, Ken, Sylvie, Lee, Jeanette, and those others we now name... (pause)

I ask your prayers of blessing for those who have been mothers to us, for those who have offered the gift of motherhood though not having children of their own, and for those who hope to become mothers, as well as for other blessings we now name...  
*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*

*The Presider adds a concluding Collect.*

## **The Peace**

## **Welcome and Announcements of our Ministries**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Offertory Hymn 460** *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!*

HYFRODOL

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**The Sursum Corda**

*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 God thanks and praise.

*The Presider continues, concluding with:*

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

**The Sanctus**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

heav - en, 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.

*The Presider continues, giving thanks to God, and invites the People to join in the Memorial Acclamation:*

*Presider* ...we acclaim you O Christ:  
*All*       **Christ has died.**  
             **Christ is risen.**  
             **Christ will come again.**

*The Presider continues praying, concluding with*

*Presider* 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.

*All*         
             A - men.


## **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

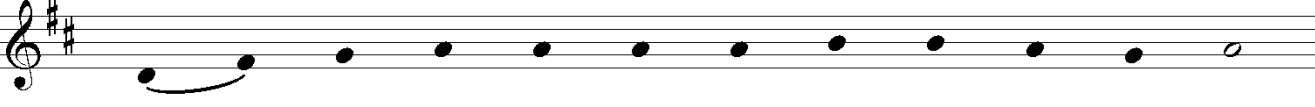
*The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept and then all sing in response to the Cantor:*

*Cantor*

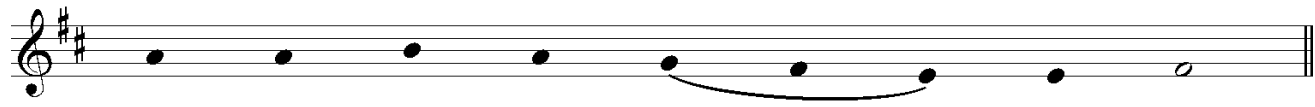


Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.


*All*



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.

## The Invitation to Communion

*All who seek to receive Christ in the sacrament of this meal are welcome to partake of the bread and wine. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. You may stand or kneel at the altar rail. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of communion, please place your arms across your chest or on the altar rail. If you would like communion brought to you in your pew, please inform an usher. Gluten free wafers are available. Please let the priest know if you would prefer one.*

## Sacramental Healing Prayer

*During Communion, prayers for healing are offered at the rear of the church. If you desire prayer, after leaving the altar proceed to the back right corner of the church, where a priest will hear your intentions and pray with you.*

**Communion Anthem**     *Nunc Dimittis*

George Dyson (1883-1964)

**The Postcommunion Prayer**     *Please stand as able.*

*Presider:* Let us pray.

*People:* **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***

*All stand for the*

**Recessional Hymn 432** *O Praise Ye the Lord!*

LAUDATE DOMINUM

**The Dismissal** *A minister offers the dismissal and the people respond*

*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Postlude** *After a Service*

Alec Rowley (1892-1958)

## **Welcome**

**Coffee Hour** is in the Parish House following the service. Please join us! If you would like to host coffee hour, please sign up after the service.

### **Ministers Serving Today:**

The Rev. Elizabeth Senft, Presider

The Rev. Lyn Brakeman, Preacher

Mr. Douglas Witte, Organist

Ms. Jane Struss, Choir Director

Ms. Catherine Womack, Vestry Person of the Day

Mr. Louis Tompros and Ms. Susan Maday, Readers

Ms. Jane Struss, Intercessor

Ms. Lurette Bourne, Chalice

Ms. Naomi Francis, Crucifer

Mr. Matthew Hast and Ms. Robin Moody, Ushers

Ms. Naomi Francis, Altar Guild

The Garden Group, Coffee Hour Hosts

Ms. Rachel Pfost and Mr. Simon Ringrose, Children's Formation Teachers

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## Introduction to Today's Scripture Readings

**Acts 1:15-17, 21-26:** In this lesson we hear of the selection of Matthias to take Judas' place as one of the twelve apostles.

**Psalms 1:** The Lord makes fruitful those who choose the ways of righteousness.

**1 John 5:9-13:** In this lesson, disciples are bid to believe in the testimony that God has given through Jesus.

**John 17:6-19:** In our gospel, Jesus prays for his disciples shortly before his death, asking for their unity and sanctification in truth.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Our Christian Formation class for older children, *Living the Good News*** meets with our rector, Tom Mousin this morning. Tom will be joining our service with all our students at the offertory.

**Please help support our worship** by contributing toward the purchase of altar flowers and candles to keep the sanctuary lamp lighted throughout the week. Donations can be made in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a particular blessing. Please consider making contributing once or twice a year (or more!) to cover these costs and honor a loved one or give thanks. Sign-up sheets are available at coffee hour to indicate memorial or thanksgiving information. Also, requests can be made by mailing a check to the office.

**Tomorrow after work ...** and every Monday late afternoon/early evening through the growing season, please stop by the church for whatever time you have to give to help tend the grounds. Helpers of all ages are welcome to spend time outside with friends helping to keep our yard and gardens beautiful.

**Next Sunday, May 20, is Pentecost Sunday.** Don't forget to wear something red as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to God's people and the "birth" of the church.

**Sunday afternoon, May 20, ECW** and friends will travel to Concord for lunch followed by a visit to Louisa May Alcott's childhood home, Orchard House. The group will carpool from St. John's following coffee hour. Please speak with Jean Wilson for more information.

**The St. John's Theological Book Club** will meet on **Wednesday May 23** at 7 pm in the Parish House. Dan Simpson is hosting this gathering, and he has chosen for us to read *What Jesus Meant*, by Garry Wills. Wills, a lifelong Roman Catholic, is a prolific writer of books and essays, many dealing with Christian beliefs and history.

**It's Not Too Early to Think About the Harvest Fair!** Cochair Adrienne Sweetser is looking for a cochair to help shepherd the event. Steve Spinetto will be heading up the Turkey Dinner again, and we are hoping to form a committee to spread the many tasks among able hands. Please speak to our wardens, Doug Heim or Bridget Nyhan, if you want to learn more about how you can help.

**Please remember in your prayers this week:** Ada (young Spaulding patient); Nancy Armstrong, parishioner; Isabella Colbath, Lyn Brakeman's granddaughter; Trudy Cravatta, Kathleen McCormick's friend; Lumine Dominique, mother of Louis Dominique; Ali Giese, daughter of Melissa and Michael Giese; Anne Goodrich, parishioner; Paul Gruchacz, parishioner; Scott Hamilton, friend of Dan Simpson; the Krueger family, family members of Shops Howard; Judy Lewin, friend of Tom Mousin; Dorothy Lewis, sister of Rosemary Kverek; Kim Perry, Bridget Nyhan's friend; David, Susan and Becca Rice, friends of Tom Mousin; Joseph Scargle, nephew of Kathleen McCormick; Peter Schreiner, friend of Tom Mousin; Lucia Rose Simeone, granddaughter of Dick Simeone and Lyn Brakeman; Al Simpson, Dan Simpson's brother; Richard and Elaine Squillace, Scott Squillace's parents; Ken Stone, Parishioner; Sylvie, Lynne Levesque's friend in France; Lee Thompson, son-in-law of Lyn Brakeman; and Jeanette Tweedy, friend of Tom Mousin.

### CALENDAR

Every Sunday:	8 and 10 am	Worship Service
Every Monday	5pm	Garden tending
Every Thursday:	6:30pm 7:30pm	Centering Prayer Choir Rehearsal
<b>Today:</b>	11 am	Coffee Hour
Sunday, May 20		Pentecost ... wear red!
	11:30am	ECW trip to Orchard House All are welcome to join in!
Wednesday, May 23	7pm	Theological Book Club meets at St. John's
Friday, May 25	6:30pm	Evensong

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