



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER



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The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Liturgy of the Word, Rite II
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORDOPENING ACCLAMATION

Officiant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

All **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 IN EXCELSIS

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty 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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant 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. **Amen.**

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we too are his offspring.’

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
 make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, *
 and will not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; *
 you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; *
 you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
 we went through fire and water; *
 but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you~ not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL SONG

LEVAS 65 BLESS THE LORD

Bless the Lord, oh my soul, and all that is within me,
bless His holy Name, bless His holy Name.

Bless the Lord, oh my soul, and all that is within me,
bless His holy Name, bless His holy Name.

Forgiver of my sin, healer of my heart,
merciful and kind, slow to anger.

Redeemer of my life, Restorer of my soul,
You crown me with Your love and compassion. (3x)

From everlasting to everlasting is His love, is His love. (2x)

THE GOSPEL

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 14:15-21.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE HOMILY

There will be a pause for silent reflection immediately following the homily.

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:
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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Please join me for the Prayers of the People.

Silence

Leader We pray today for the Church. May she drink deeply from living springs; and abide in the wilderness with faith and hope. Pray for the Church.

The People may add their own petitions.

Leader We pray today for the world. May all of humanity rejoice in the goodness of creation, and find their lives enriched in you. Pray for the Earth and all her people.

The People may add their own petitions.

Leader We pray today for our country. May our leaders be wise, our communities be kind, our children be free, and our lives be peaceful and just. Pray for the Nation.

The People may add their own petitions.

Leader We pray today for all those afflicted in mind, body, and spirit.
We pray also for all those effected by the Coronavirus, especially health care workers, and those who risk much in service to others. May all who are lonely, vulnerable, and fearful find you present, with them; and may there be grace when we suffer. Pray for the afflicted.

The People may add their own petitions.

Leader We pray today for the departed.
May they rise from glory to glory, and may we trust that in you, life is changed; not ended. Pray for those who have died and those who mourn.

The People may add their own petitions.

Leader We give thanks today for the many Blessings of this life.
And all those who are celebrating their birthdays and anniversaries this week. And the great and simple joys which we now name.

The People may add their own petitions.

Leader Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with all your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may know ourselves to be loved and supported by the Church in prayer. We ask this all in Jesus' name.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People and Officiant

**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 BLESSING

Following the Blessing, the people respond

Amen.

THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

POSTLUDE

AEDHAN SCOTT

THE NIGHTINGALE

TRADITIONAL

IN THANKSGIVING & MEMORY

WE GIVE THANKS FOR THOSE CELEBRATING:

Birthdays in the next week: Jack Wyant, Alan Manzler, Jenny Gale, Cecilia Grisi, Carlina Scalf, Paul Wilson, Jon Allred, Maisi Thienprayoon, Alex Shirey, Kate Jackson, James Roth, Kathy Behne, Gretchen Carroll, Maxx McNeill, Kristin Kaltenstadler, Clark Comstock, Ron Staggs, Charles Gault, Jillian Bennett, Cecily Hankinson.

Anniversaries in the coming week: Jeanne & Mike Plunkett, Claire & Ted Terry, Robin & Doug Henderson, Peg & Jack Wyant, Kathleen & Jim Stengel, Maggie & Brad Gough, Deb & Jon Mills, Liz & Darrin Ovelman.

A donation to the **Flower Guild** has been given to the glory of God in loving memory of Stan Kjelby by Karen Schlanz and in thanksgiving for their grandchildren; Alexander, Spencer, & Emmy Wolf and Charlie & Daphne Simpkinson by Janet & John Simpkinson.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

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Preacher

Deacon

Lector

Psalmist

Lay Reader

Intercessor

Organist

Song of Praise Leader

Gospel Song Leader

The Rev. Melanie W. J. Slane

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