



Morning Prayer, Rite II

ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

May 24, 2020 | 10:00 a.m.
The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Prelude: Grave, Adagio from *Sonata II*

Felix Mendelssohn

Hymn 460: *Hyyfydol*, “Alleluia, sing to Jesus”

- 1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by his blood.
- 2 Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us, faith believes nor questions how;
Though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise, I am with you evermore?
- 3 Alleluia! Bread of Heaven, here on earth our food and stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful flee to thee from day to day;
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.
- 4 Alleluia! King eternal, thee the Lord of Lords we own;
Alleluia! Born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne;
Thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the Eucharistic Feast.
- 5 Same as verse 1

Opening Sentences

Book of Common Prayer, page 77

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. *Colossians 3:1*

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia.

Christ our Passover, *Pascha nostrum*

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Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil,
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all;
but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin,
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a man came death,
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die,
so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36 *Exsurgat Deus*

Reader: Carrie Rose Pace

The Psalm is read in unison.

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered;
let those who hate him flee before him.
- 2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away;
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;
let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens;
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!
- 5 Father of orphans, defender of widows,
God in his holy habitation!
- 6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom;
but the rebels shall live in dry places.
- 7 O God, when you went forth before your people,
when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai,
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance;
you refreshed the land when it was weary.
- 10 Your people found their home in it;
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.
- 33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth;
sing praises to the Lord.
- 34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens;
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.
- 35 Ascribe power to God;
his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies.
- 36 How wonderful is God in his holy places!
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be God!

The Lessons

First Lesson: Acts 1:6-14

Reader: Carrie Rose Pace

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson: John 17:1-11

Reader: The Reverend Dr. Mark Cooper

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

”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.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sermon: The Reverend Laura Inscoe

Apostles' Creed

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Officiant and People together, all standing as able.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
 He was conceived by power of the Holy Spirit,
 and born of the Virgin Mary,
 He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
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.

The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People together
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.

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V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let the people sing with joy.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain in us with your Holy Spirit.

Collect of the Day

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.*

Other Collects

Prayers for the Parish

Officiant
Please join me in lifting up to God those who have asked for our prayers.

Officiant and People together

Cheri Harrell Anthony, Elizabeth Austin, Matt Curtis, Kate DeJarnette, Craig Ellifson, Cameron Flippen, Charlie Gamble, Susan Goff, Nancy Guedri, Mary Harrison, Bernadette Howard, Palmer Johnson, Frances Jones, Rosalyn McCard, Eve McCray, Keith McMullin, Bunky Miller, Charlie Miller, Harry Moore, Chuck Murphy, Christina Navarrete, Luke Newcomb, Billy Noftsinger, Darlene Ogden, Jess Pillmore, Katherine Reynolds, Jim Richter, Sherley Richter, Bill Royall, Geoff Sisk, Bradford Smith, Kathi Stalnaker, Alan Stone, Chamie Valentine, David Wilkinson, Bodie Williamson, Kelly, Jennifer and Woody

The Officiant continues with the prayers, found in the back of the bulletin.

Prayer for Mission

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Officiant

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace; So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those that do not know you to the knowledge and love of you, for the honor of your name. *Amen.*

Greeting and Announcements

Anthem: Coelos ascendit Hodie

Charles Villiers Stanford

Coelos ascendit hodie
Jesus Christus Rex gloriae.
Sedet ad Patris dexteram,
Gubernat coelum et terram.

Jesus Christ, the King of Glory,
has ascended today into the heavens.
He sits at the right hand of the Father
and rules heaven and earth.

Jam finem habent omnia
Patris Davidis carmina.
Jam Dominus cum Domino
Sedet in Dei solio.

Now all the psalms of David,
our father, are fulfilled.
Now the Lord sits with the
Lord on the seat of God.

In hoc triumpho maximo
Benedicamus Domino.
Laudatur Sancta Trinitas.
Deo dicamus gratias.

In this greatest of triumphs
let us bless the Lord.
The Holy Trinity be glorified.
Let us give thanks to God.

General Thanksgiving

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Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus
Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Versicle and Response

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Closing Sentences

Hymn 215: *In Babilone*, “See the Conqueror mounts in triumph”

- 1 See, the Conqueror mounts in triumph; see the King in royal state,
riding on the clouds, his chariot, to his heav’ly palace gate.
Hark the choirs of angel voices joyful alleluias sing,
and the portals high are lifted to receive their heavenly King.
- 2 He who on the cross did suffer, he who from the grave arose,
he has vanquished sin and Satan; he by death has spoiled his foes.
While he lifts his hands in blessing, he is parted from his friends;
While their eager eyes behold him, he upon the clouds ascends.
- 3 Thou hast raised our human nature on the clouds to God’s right hand;
there we sit in heavenly places, there with thee in glory stand.
Jesus reigns, adored by angels, Man with God is on the throne;
mighty Lord, in thine ascension, we by faith behold our own.

Postlude: Allegro Maestoso from *Sonata II*

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*This Sunday we remember
David C. Butterworth*

Service Participants

Preacher: The Reverend Laura Inscoe
Officiant: The Reverend Hilary Streever
Videographer: W. R. L. Simms
Musicians: Parish Choir
Organist: Virginia Ewing Whitmire
Director of Music: Dr. Mark Whitmire

Prayers of the People

Please lift up to God those who have asked for our prayers:

For those serving in our Armed Forces: especially Robert Crutcher, Clare and Beirne Hutcheson, John Nance and Wilson Nance

For healthcare workers, first responders and all frontline workers: especially Chris Abplanalp, Eric Bland, Laura Bland, Tracy Carrasquillo, Gussie Carter, Paul Crook, Lauren Dickinson, Rachel Klavan, Rebecca Krey, Worth Lewis, Anne Byrd Mahoney, Jimmy Milley, Alex Skidmore, Kaylyn Tucker, Banks Turner, William Welch, Peter Wilbanks and Margaret Williams

For all celebrating their birthdays this week: especially Guy Crittenden, Mary Frances Geho, Ellen Geho, Virginia Hamilton, Hartwell Markham, Peter McKinney, Claire Oristian, Laura Powell, Taylor Sibley, Allison Spiller, Phil Sprinkle, Claiborne Talbott, Scott Triplett and Henry Wright who celebrate their birthdays today

For those who have died recently: especially Bitsy Hillsman and William Jackson Stevens