

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S CHAPEL

Open hearts, open minds, open doors

Ten O'clock in the Morning
Sunday, May 21, 2023

THE GREAT FIFTY DAYS OF EASTER THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRELUDE

“Wachet auf”

Walter

THE ENTRANCE RITE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 450

“All hail the power of Jesus' Name!”

Coronation

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP p. 355

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.**

HYMN 417, v.1,3,5

“This is the Feast of Victory of our God”

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. <i>(Refrain)</i>	3 Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation. <i>(Refrain)</i>	5 For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia! <i>(Refrain)</i>
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THE COLLECT FOR THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

BCP p. 226

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you. Let us pray. *(In unison)*

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.

The People are seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 1:6-14

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.

PSALM 68:1-10, 32-35

Refrain: Sing, sing to God, sing praises to God's holy name.

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¹Let God rise up, let God's enemies
be scattered;

let those who hate God
flee before God.

²As smoke is driven away,
so drive them away;
as wax melts before the fire,
let the wicked perish before God.

³But let the righteous be joyful;
let them exult before God;
let them be jubilant with joy. ℟

⁴Sing to God, sing praises
to God's name;
lift up a song to the one who rides
upon the clouds;

be exultant before God
whose name is the Sovereign.

⁵Father-Mother of orphans and
protector of widows
is God in God's holy habitation.

⁶God gives the desolate a home to
live in; God leads out the prisoners
to prosperity,
but the rebellious live in
a desolate land. ℟

⁷O God, when you went out before
your people,

when you marched through the
wilderness, ⁸the earth quaked,

the heavens poured down rain at the
presence of God, the God of Sinai,
at the presence of God,
the God of Israel.

⁹Rain in abundance, O God, you
showered abroad;
you restored your heritage
when it languished;

¹⁰your flock found a dwelling in it;
in your goodness, O God, you
provided for the needy. ℟

³²Sing to God, O nations of the earth;
sing praises to God,

³³O rider in the heavens,
the ancient heavens;
listen, God sends out a voice,
a mighty voice.

³⁴Ascribe power to God, whose
majesty is over Israel;
and whose power is in the skies.

³⁵Awesome is God in God's sanctuary;
the God of Israel gives power
and strength to God's people.
Blessed be God! ℟

THE SECOND LESSON: A Reading from the First Epistle of Peter.

I Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

The People stand

GRADUAL HYMN 518, v 1-2

"Christ is made the sure foundation"

Westminster Abbey

1 Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious,
binding all the Church in one;
holy Zion's help for ever,
and her confidence alone.

2 All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring
in glad hymns eternally.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 17:1-11

Gospeler: Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus said, "All who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day."

People: Alleluia!

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

3 To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
with thy wonted lovingkindness
hear thy servants as they pray,
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls alway.

4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
what they ask of thee to gain;
what they gain from thee, for ever
with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in thy glory
evermore with thee to reign.

The People are seated.

SERMON

The Rev'd Phil Bjornberg

After the sermon, the People stand.

THE NICENE CREED

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We believe in one God, the Father, the
Almighty, maker of heaven and
earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

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 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;

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 Form VI

BCP, 392

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
**For our families, friends, and neighbors,
and for those who are alone.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;
**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice,
and oppression.**

For this community, the nation, and the
world;
**For all who work for justice, freedom, and
peace.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind
of trouble;
**For those who minister to the sick, the
friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Laura and Jeffrey, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

O God, our companion on the way, you walk behind, beside, beyond; you catch us unaware. Break through the disillusionment and despair clouding our vision, that, with wide-eyed wonder, we may find our way and journey on as messengers of your good news. **AMEN.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, "Peace be with you." Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The People stand.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

All who are baptized in any branch of Christ's Church are welcome to receive the Eucharist at the Lord's Table. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a Blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let one of our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about Baptism or answer any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.

OFFERTORY HYMN 484

"Praise the Lord through every nation"

Wachet auf

PRAYER AT THE OFFERTORY *(Celebrant)*

Lord of life, with unbounded joy we offer you our sacrifice of praise. As we are fed with the bread of Heaven, may we know the glory of your resurrection, through Christ our risen Lord. **AMEN.**

The People may stand or kneel

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP p. 367

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.

IT is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And now we give you thanks because through him you have given us eternal life, and delivered us from the bondage of sin and the fear of death into the glorious liberty of the Children of God. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS S-113

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

Blessed is he ✠ that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. ✠

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts ✠ that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, ✠ that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, ...
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

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“Wachet auf”

BWV 645, J.S. Bach

THE CONCLUDING RITE

The People stand.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Let us pray. *(in unison)*

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.**

POST COMMUNION COLLECT *(Celebrant)*

PASCHAL BENEDICTION

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** **And also with you.**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Blessing ✠ **AMEN.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN 494

“Crown him with many crowns”

Diademata

DISMISSAL *Subdeacon:* He is not here. He is risen. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE:

Voluntary on "Westminster Abbey"

Purcell

Thank you to our Sunday Ministers.

May 21, 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Rite I, 8am
Altar Guild: D. Spooner-Auden
Usher: S. Gagnon
Eucharistic Minister: J. Morrow
Reader: T. Bitwinski
Prayers of the People: S. DeWolf

Rite II, 10am
Altar Guild: John Doiron
Usher: Art Engler
Eucharistic Minister: Madison Day
Reader & Intercessor: Bruce Steinway
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