

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Sunday, May 10, 2026

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Processional Hymn 195: "Jesus lives!"

1. Jesus lives! thy terrors now can no longer, death, appall us;
Jesus lives! by this we know thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us.
Alleluia!
2. Jesus lives! for us he died; then, alone to Jesus living,
pure in heart may we abide, glory to our Savior giving.
Alleluia!
3. Jesus lives! our hearts know well nought from us his love shall sever;
life, nor death, nor powers of hell tear us from his keeping ever.
Alleluia!
4. Jesus lives! to him the throne over all the world is given:
may we go where he has gone, rest and reign with him in heaven.
Alleluia!

Words: Christian Furchtegott Gellert; tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox, alt.

THE WORD OF GOD

Officiant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Collect for Purity (BCP 355)

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.**

The Gloria (S 278, BCP 356)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated
at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are
the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of
God the Father. Amen.**

Collect of the Day (BCP 225, 357)

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 Lessons (BCP 357)

The First Reading

Reader: A reading from the book of Acts (17:22-31)

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.**

Gradual: Psalm 66:7-18



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

- 12 **B** I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my ^l vows, *
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in ^l trouble.
- 13 **A** I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of ^l rams; *
I will give you oxen and ^l goats.
- 14 **B** Come and listen, all you who fear ^l God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for ^l me.
- 15 **A** I called out to him with my ^l mouth, *
and his praise was on my ^l tongue.
- 16 **B** If I had found evil in my ^l heart, *
the Lord would not have ^l heard me;
- 17 **A** But in truth God has ^l heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my ^l prayer.
- 18 **B** Blessed be God, who has not rejected my ^l prayer, *
nor withheld his love from ^l me.

The Second Reading

Reader: A reading from the first book of Peter. (3:13-22)

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.**

Sequence Hymn 512: “Come, Gracious Spirit” (v 1, 2)

- 1 Come, Gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove, with light and comfort from above;
be thou our guardian, thou our guide o'er every thought and step preside.
- 2 The light of truth to us display, and make us know and choose thy way;
plant holy fear in every heart, that we from thee may ne'er depart.

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.**

Sequence Hymn 512: “Come, Gracious Spirit” (v 3, 4)

- 3 Lead us to Christ, the living way, nor let us from his precepts stray;
lead us to holiness, the road that we must take to dwell with God.
- 4 Lead us to heaven, that we may share fullness of joy for ever there;
lead us to God, our final rest, to be with him for ever blest.

Words: Simon Browne, alt.

Sermon The Rev. Dr. Mark W. Frazier

The Nicene Creed (BCP 358)

All: 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, Form III (BCP 387)

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: **That we all may be one.**

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest;

People: **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Peace (BCP 360)

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

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem..... Choir

Doxology (Hymn 380, v. 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A (BCP 361)

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 right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Celebrant: 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 124

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (BCP 364)

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

All: **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.**

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Fraction Anthem S 154

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

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

All: **My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer (BCP 365)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **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.**

Sending Hymn 450: "All hail the power of Jesus' Name!"

- 1 All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!
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- 2 Crown him ye martyrs of our God, who from his altar call:
praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!

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- 3 Hail him, the Heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call,
the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all!
the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all!
- 4 Ye heirs of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
- 5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall,
go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!
go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!
- 6 Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

Words: Edward Perronet

Dismissal

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

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude

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