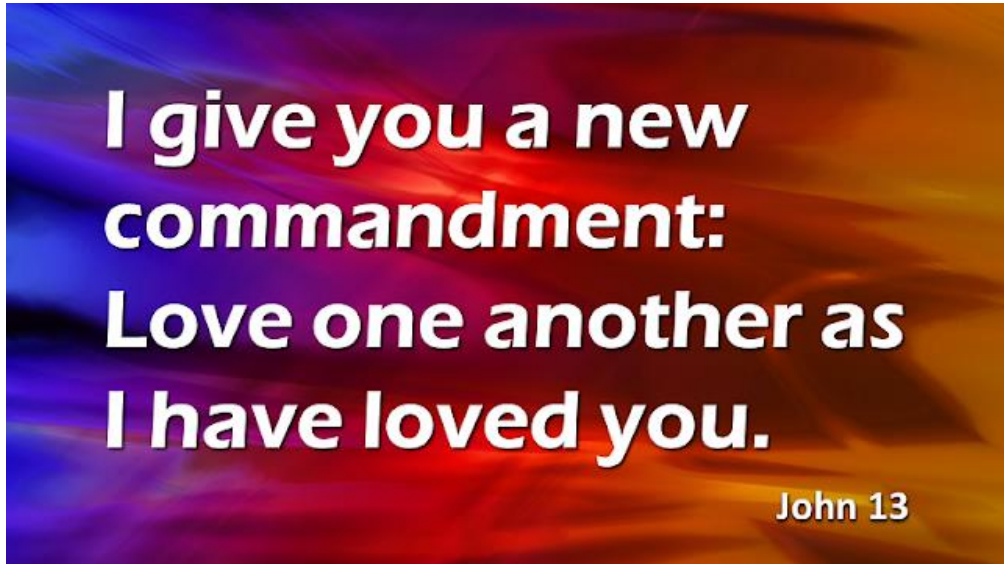


**Fifth Sunday of Easter
Holy Eucharist, Rite II**



May 8, 2022

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Alton, Illinois**

Prelude

Rondo

attr. to J. Bull

The Hymnal 1982 #583 *O holy city, seen of John*

Celebrant: *Alleluia. Christ is risen.*

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

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music - #280 *Canticle 20, Glory to God:*

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

The musical score is written on six staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. There are several slurs indicating phrasing. Trills, marked with a '3' and a bracket, appear above the notes for 'Christ' and 'Lamb'. The lyrics are printed below the staves, aligned with the corresponding notes.

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

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Word of God

The Lessons *Please sit.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

The cantor will sing the first half of each verse, moving up one tone at the end of the line. The Congregation and choir will sing the second half, moving down one tone at the end of the line.

Psalm 148

Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens; *
praise him in the heights.

Praise him, all you angels of his; * *praise him, all his host.*

Praise him, sun and moon; * *praise him, all you shining stars.*

Praise him, heaven of heavens, * *and you waters above the heavens.*

Let them praise the Name of the LORD; *
for he commanded, and they were cre-ated.

He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
he gave them a law which shall not pass a-way.

Praise the LORD from the earth, * *you sea-monsters and all deeps;*

Fire and hail, snow and fog, * *tempestuous wind, doing his will;*

Mountains and all hills, * *fruit trees and all cedars;*

Wild beasts and all cattle, * *creeping things and winged birds;*

Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;

Young men and maidens, * *old and young to-gether.*

Let them praise the Name of the LORD, *
*for his Name only is exalted,
his splendor is over earth and heaven.*

He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal
servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Halle-lujah!

A reading from the Revelation of Jesus Christ to John

21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them as their God;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Hymnal 1982 - #304 : *I come with joy to meet my Lord*

Please stand if you are comfortable doing so

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

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

The Gospel

John 13:31-35

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Rev. Cynthia Sever+

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

*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, Form III

BCP p. 387

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for +Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, +Michael, the Presiding Bishop, Brian, our Bishop-elect, Cindy+, our priest, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

We pray for Joseph, our president, J.B., our governor, the Congress, Legislatures and Courts, and for all those who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Remembering especially

Audrey, Linda, Dave, Mary Lynn, Debra, Larry, Robert, Aaron, Al, Ruth, Anne, Cheryl, Richard, Marie, Myrnelle, Daniel, Brenda, Andy, Mother Jane, Barb, Charles, Frank, John, Boyd, and those named before you at this time.....-

Silence – The People may add their own petitions

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially those in the Ukraine; ***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed eternal rest, and all those we love but see no longer.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Remembering especially the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Paul, and all the saints, we praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

Intercessions of the People are named at this time, either silently or aloud..

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

The Peace

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

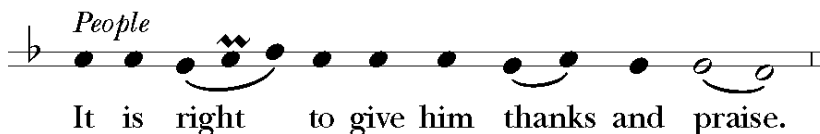
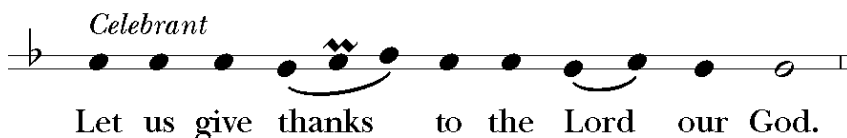
People: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Offertory Sentence

The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer D

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music - #120 The Holy Eucharist II, Lift up your hearts:



Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music - #128 *Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus*

The musical score is written on five staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff has a key signature change to two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The fourth staff continues the melody. The fifth staff concludes the piece with a double bar line.

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven 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 people stand or kneel if they are comfortable doing so.

Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might care for and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

***We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you,
Lord our God.***

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Paul, and with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever. ***Amen.***

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

The Lord's Prayer

S # 119

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

#164, Fraction Anthem: *Jesus, Lamb of God: Agnus Dei*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

The first system of musical notation for the 'Agnus Dei' section. It consists of a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp). The melody is written in a simple, homophonic style with block chords. The lyrics 'Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.' are written below the notes.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

The second system of musical notation. It continues the melody from the first system. The lyrics 'Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.' are written below the notes.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

The third system of musical notation. It continues the melody. The lyrics 'Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:' are written below the notes.

give us your peace, give us your peace.

The fourth system of musical notation, which concludes the piece. It features a final cadence with a double bar line. The lyrics 'give us your peace, give us your peace.' are written below the notes.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God.



Welcome to the Table!

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion, and everyone is welcome to come forward to receive a blessing! If you are unable to come forward, raise your hand, and we will come to you.



Music during Communion

Hiding Place

M. Ledner

Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

*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.*

Blessing

The Hymnal 1982 - #529

In Christ there is no East or West

Dismissal

Postlude

New Faith New Life

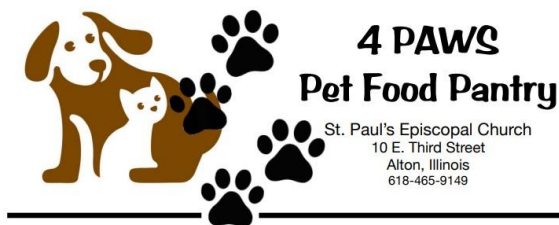
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SERVING TODAY

Celebrant: The Rev. Cynthia Sever+
Organist: Gay Anderson
Crucifer: Dereck Cook
Acolytes: Donna Fisher/Diane Martin
Intercessor: Susan Lukasik
Lector: Robbie Cupp

Calendar & Announcements for the Week of May 15, 2022

Sunday, May 15	8:30 a.m.	Mass at Trinity
	11 a.m.	Mass at St. Paul's
Monday, May 16	7 p.m.	Mondays@7 at St. Paul's
Wednesday, May 18	7 p.m.	Discussion Group via ZOOM
Thursday, May 19	7 p.m.	Vestry Meeting at St. Paul's
Saturday, May 21	11 a.m.	Livestream of Bishop Consecration in St. Paul's Conference Room
Sunday, May 15	8:30 a.m.	Mass at Trinity Chapel
	11 a.m.	Mass @ St. Paul's



Monetary donations and all donations of dog and cat food will be gratefully accepted. We run strictly on donations!

Book Club

An extraordinary story set in the first century about a woman who finds her voice and her destiny, from the celebrated number one *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Secret Life of Bees* and *The Invention of Wings*

In her mesmerizing fourth work of fiction, Sue Monk Kidd takes an audacious approach to history and brings her acclaimed narrative gifts to imagine the story of a young woman named Ana. Raised in a wealthy family with ties to the ruler of Galilee, she is rebellious and ambitious, with a brilliant mind and a daring spirit. She engages in furtive scholarly pursuits and writes narratives about neglected and silenced women. Ana is expected to marry an older widower, a prospect that horrifies her. An encounter with eighteen-year-old Jesus changes everything.

Their marriage evolves with love and conflict, humor and pathos in Nazareth, where Ana makes a home with Jesus, his brothers, and their mother, Mary. Ana's pent-up longings intensify amid the turbulent resistance to Rome's occupation of Israel, partially led by her brother, Judas. She is sustained by her fearless aunt Yaltha, who harbors a compelling secret. When Ana commits a brazen act that puts her in peril, she flees to Alexandria, where startling revelations and greater dangers unfold, and she finds refuge in unexpected surroundings. Ana determines her fate during a stunning convergence of events considered among the most impactful in human history.

Grounded in meticulous research and written with a reverential approach to Jesus's life that focuses on his humanity, *The Book of Longings* is an inspiring, unforgettable account of one woman's bold struggle to realize the passion and potential inside her, while living in a time, place and culture devised to silence her. It is a triumph of storytelling both timely and timeless, from a masterful writer at the height of her powers.

