

# The Sixth Sunday of Easter

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*Welcome to The Episcopal Church of the Ascension.  
Here “we challenge ourselves and the world to love  
like Jesus as we worship joyfully,  
serve compassionately and grow spiritually.”*

*Please remember to silence your cell phone.*

*The people may make the sign of the cross (optional) when this sign † appears throughout the order of the service.*

## **The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two**

### **The Word of God**

#### **The Organ Voluntary**

*Ellers*

Charles Callahan (b. 1947)

*Please stand, as you are able, at the ringing of the bell.*

#### **The Hymn in Procession**

Hymn 400

*(Omit all verses with an asterisk \*)*

*Lasst uns erfreuen*



1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voic-es, let us  
 \*2 Great rush-ing winds and breez-es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -  
 \*3 Swift flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, make mu-sic for your Lord to  
 4 Dear mo-ther earth, you day by day un-fold your bless-ings on our  
 5 All you with mer-cy in your heart, for-giv-ing o-thers, take your  
 \*6 And ev-en you, most gen-tle death, wait-ing to hush our fi-nal  
 7 Let all things their cre-a-tor bless, and wor-ship him in hum-ble-



1 sing: Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Bright burn-ing  
 2 loft, O— praise him, Al-le-lu-ia! Fair ris-ing  
 3 hear, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Fire, so in -  
 4 way, O— praise him, Al-le-lu-ia! All flowers and  
 5 part, O— sing now: Al-le-lu-ia! All you that  
 6 breath, O— praise him, Al-le-lu-ia! You lead back  
 7 ness, O— praise him, Al-le-lu-ia! Praise God the



1 sun with gold-en beams, pale sil-ver moon that gen-tly gleams,  
 2 morn, with praise re-joice, stars night-ly shin-ing, find a voice,  
 3 tense and fierce-ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,  
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo-ry al-so show:  
 5 pain and sor-row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:  
 6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:  
 7 Fa-ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi-rit, Three in One:



O praise him, O praise him, Al-le-lu-ia,



al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

*The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.*

## The Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

*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. **Amen.**

*Celebrant and People*

**S 278**

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
might - y 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.  
 Setting: William Mathias (1934-1992)

## The Collect of the Day

*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. **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## The First Lesson

## Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

*Lector*    The Word of the Lord.

*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

## The Response

**Psalm 67**

*Chanted by the congregation and choir*

*Deus misereatur*



- 1 May God be merciful to | us and | bless us, \*  
show us the light of his | countenance • and | come to | us.
- 2 Let your ways be | known • upon | earth, \*  
your saving | health a- | mong all | nations.
- 3 Let the peoples | praise you, • O | God; \*  
let | all the | peoples | praise you.

- 4 Let the nations be glad and | sing for | joy, \*  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide all the | nations | upon | earth.
- 5 Let the peoples | praise you, • O | God; \*  
let | all the | peoples | praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought | forth her | increase; \*  
may God, our own God, | gïve | us his | blessing.
- 7 May God | give us • his | blessing, \*  
and may all the ends of the earth | stand in | awe of | him.

## **The Second Lesson**

## **Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5**

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there

will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## The Sequence

Hymn 467

*St. Bees*

1 Sing, my soul, his won-drous love, who, from yon bright throne a - love,  
2 Heaven and earth by him were made; all is by his scep - ter swayed;  
3 God, the mer - ci - ful and good, bought us with the Sa - vior's blood,  
4 Sing, my soul, a - dore his Name! Let his glo - ry be thy theme:

ev - er watch - ful o'er our race, still to us ex - tends his grace.  
what are we that he should show so much love to us be - low?  
and, to make sal - va - tion sure, guides us by his Spi - rit pure.  
praise him till he calls thee home; trust his love for all to come.

## The Gospel

**John 14:23-29**

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

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

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our

home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

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

## **The Homily**

**The Rev. Canon Liz Hendrick**

## **The Nicene Creed**

*Celebrant and People*

**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 VI, BCP**

*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 this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and forever.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

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 Rob our Bishop; 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*

We pray for the Episcopal Church of the Ascension.

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries.

We pray for those who are currently serving our country in the Armed Forces, especially Stovall Knight, Chandler Celluzi, Taylor Tekesky, and Kyle Hubert.

We pray for those among us in need of healing, comfort, support, and compassion.

We pray for those who have asked for our prayers by name, especially Randolph James, Dan Bennett, Rev. Louis Tonsmeire, Sam Hood, Drew Tonsmeire, Lynette Pasek, Janet Whitner, Steve King, Sandy Thornton, and John Schock.

We pray for those who have long-term health problems or are homebound, especially Sandy Rutters, Glendy Biggs, Hope Cunningham, Sarah McLeod, Houston Suggs, Kimberly Gottardi, John Youd, Steve Novak, George Chesnut, Sally Bonton, and Patsy Bennett.

*Silence*

Hear us Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

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

We celebrate with those who have a birthday this week, especially Gale Palmer, Amber Martin, Rev. Linda Pineo, Ben Popham, and Robinson Miller.

We celebrate with those who have a wedding anniversary this week, especially Nathan & Samantha Tucker and Jim & Lee Owens.

*Silence*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, especially Jim Lavigne and the victims of violence in Buffalo and Orange County, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**The Peace**

*Celebrant*    The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**

## **Parish Notices**

### **The Offertory Anthem**

*Teach Me, O Lord*

Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

### **The Presentation**

Hymn 387

*Cornwall*

1 We sing of God, the might - y source of all things;  
 \*2 Tell them I AM, the Lord God said, to Mo - ses  
 3 Glo - rious the sun in mid ca - reer; glo - rious the as -  
 4 Glo - rious, most glo - rious, is the crown of him that

the stu - pen - dous force on which all strength de - pends;  
 while on earth in dread and smit - ten to the heart,  
 sem - bled fires ap - pear; glo - rious the co - met's train:  
 brought sal - va - tion down by meek - ness, Ma - ry's son;

from whose right arm, be - neath whose eyes, all pe - riod,  
 at once, a - bove, be - neath, a - round, all na - ture  
 glo - rious the trum - pet and a - larm; glo - rious the al -  
 seers that stu - pen - dous truth be - lieved, and now the

power, and en - ter - prise com - men - ces, reigns, and ends.  
 with - out voice or sound re - plied, O Lord, thou art.  
 might - y stretched - out arm; glo - rious the en - rap - tured main:  
 match - less deed's a - chieved, de - ter - mined, dared, and done.

# The Holy Communion

## The Great Thanksgiving

*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.**

*The Celebrant proceeds*

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

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.

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:

*Celebrant and People*

S 128

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.

Setting: William Mathias (1934-1992)

*The Celebrant continues*

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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. **AMEN.**

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal lowed be your  
Name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea-ven.  
Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give  
those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial, and de-  
li-ver us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the power, and the glo-ry are  
yours, now and for ev-er. A-men. A-men.

Setting: Barry McLeod, from *Mass for the Church of the Ascension*, © 2007 Barry McLeod

## The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

# Fraction Anthem

S 169

*Cantor or Choir*

My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -  
deed, says the Lord. My Lord. Those who eat my *Aut*  
flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My  
flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

1 *All* 2 *Cantor or Choir*

Setting: Ray W. Urwin (b. 1950)

The musical score is written on four staves of treble clef. The first staff begins with a rest followed by a quarter note G4, then a repeat sign. The second staff has a first ending bracket over the first two measures, labeled '1 All', and a second ending bracket over the next two measures, labeled '2 Cantor or Choir'. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with 'Aut' under the word 'eat' in the second line. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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

## Hymns during Communion

Hymn 505

*O heiliger Geist*

1 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, in -  
 2 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, in -  
 3 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, make  
 4 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, en -

ev - ery need thou bring - est aid; thou com - est  
 crease our faith in our dear Lord; un - less thy  
 us to love thy sa - cred word; the ho - ly  
 light - en us by that same word; teach us to

forth from God's great throne, from God, the Fa - ther and the  
 grace the power should give, none can be - lieve in Christ and  
 flame of love im - part, that char - i - ty may warm each  
 know the Fa - ther's love, and his dear Son, who reigns a -

Son; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.  
 live; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.  
 heart; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.  
 bove; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.

*Unison or harmony*

1 As those of old their first fruits brought of vine-yard, flock, and  
 \*2 A world in need now sum-mons us to la-bor, love, and  
 3 With grat-i-tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to

field to God, the giv-er of all good, the  
 give; to make our life an of-fer-ing to  
 thee to serve thy cause and share thy love with

source of bount-eous yield; so we to-day our  
 God that all may live; the Church of Christ is  
 all hu-man-i-ty. O thou who gav-est

first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land, of  
 call-ing us to make the dream come true: a  
 us thys-elf in Je-sus Christ thy Son, help

farm and mar-ket, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.  
 world re-deemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.  
 us to give our-selves each day un-til life's work is done.

*If you are worshipping with us virtually, please pray the Prayer for Spiritual Communion.*

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshipping at home, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. And particularly for the blessings given me... I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. †I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*The people stand.*

*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.**

**The Blessing**

**The Hymn in Procession**

Hymn 345

*Ellers*

1 Sa - vior, a - gain to thy dear Name we raise  
 \*2 Grant us thy peace up - on our home - ward way;  
 3 Grant us thy peace through - out our earth - ly life;  
 4 thy peace in life, the balm of ev - ery pain;

with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;  
 with thee be - gan, with thee shall end the day;  
 peace to thy Church from er - ror and from strife;  
 thy peace in death, the hope to rise a - gain;

guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
 from harm and dan - ger keep thy chil - dren free;  
 peace to our land, the fruit of truth and love;  
 then, when thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

that in this house have called up - on thy Name.  
 for dark and light are both a - like to thee.  
 peace in each heart, thy Spi - rit from a - bove:  
 call us, O Lord, to thine e - ter - nal peace.

## The Dismissal

## The Closing Voluntary

*Trumpet Voluntary*

John Stanley (1712-1786)

The order of service from the Book of Common Prayer, 1979  
according to the use of the Episcopal Church.

The Flowers at the Altar are given by  
Valerie Burns  
to the Glory of God  
and in Loving Memory of  
Paula Garcia née Ashcroft  
and her stories.

## You are called to ministry!

There is a place for you in one of the following ministries. Please contact the ministry leaders listed for more information about where your gifts may fit to strengthen our efforts to bring God's mission for the Church of the Ascension to full measure. If not sure where to start call the church office.

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