

St. James' Episcopal Church
Hyde Park, New York



Holy Eucharist

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to St. James' Church!

Happy Easter!

A few notes about today's service

Most hymns are in *The Hymnal 1982*, the blue book in your pew. Hymns marked "LEVAS" refer to the hymnal *Lift Every Voice and Sing II*, the book with a multi-colored cover and red binding.

Please join the congregation by saying
the responses marked in **bold font**.

The Word of God

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN #192

This joyful Eastertide

Please stand.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Book of Common Prayer 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.

CHRIST OUR PASSOVER (PASCHA NOSTRUM)

Said in unison, standing as you are able.

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *

therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with the 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.

Continued

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 human being came death, *

by a human being has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, *

so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

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 LESSONS

FIRST LESSON

Acts 10:44-48

Lector A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, “Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 98

St. Helena Psalter

Responsively, the People saying the words in bold font.

Sing a new song to God, *

who has done marvelous things.

With your right hand, O God, and your holy arm, *

you have won for yourself the victory.

You have made known your victory; *

your righteousness have you openly shown in the sight of the nations.

You remember your mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *

and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to God, all you lands; *

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to God with the harp, *

with the harp and the voice of song.

Continued

With trumpets and the sound of the horn, *
 shout with joy before God who reigns in majesty.
Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
 the lands and those who dwell therein.
Let the rivers clap their hands, *
 and let the hills ring out with joy before God,
 who will come to judge the earth.
God shall judge the world in righteousness *
 and the peoples with equity.

SECOND LESSON

1 John 5:1-6

Lector A Reading from the first letter of St. John.

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN #178 verses 1-2 Jesus is Lord of all the Earth

Please stand as you are able.

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

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

Jesus said to his disciples, “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are able.

**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

The Deacon leads prayers for the Church, our nation, the world, our local community, all who suffer or are in trouble, and for the departed.

Please stand as you are able for the Prayers.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

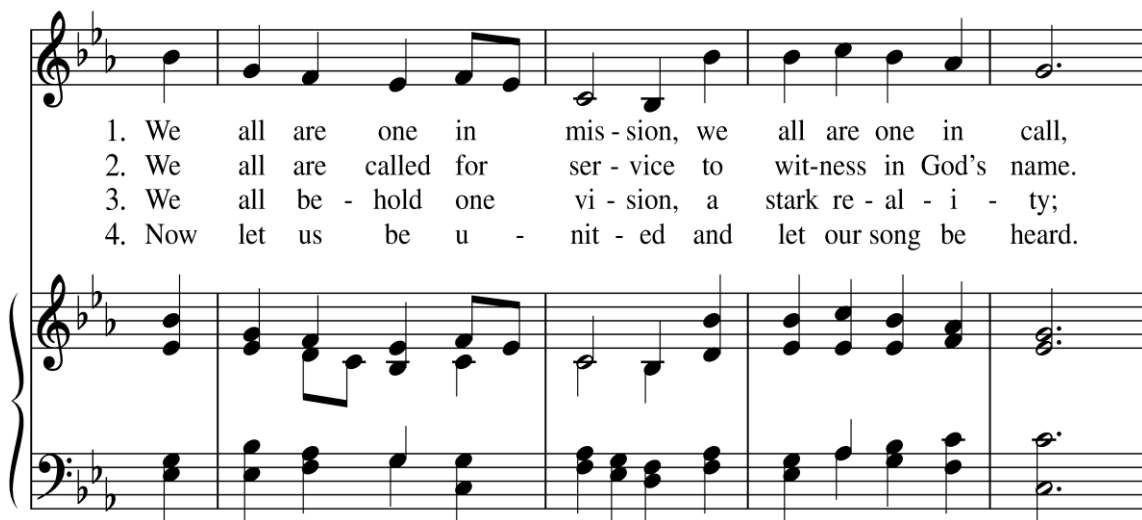
The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

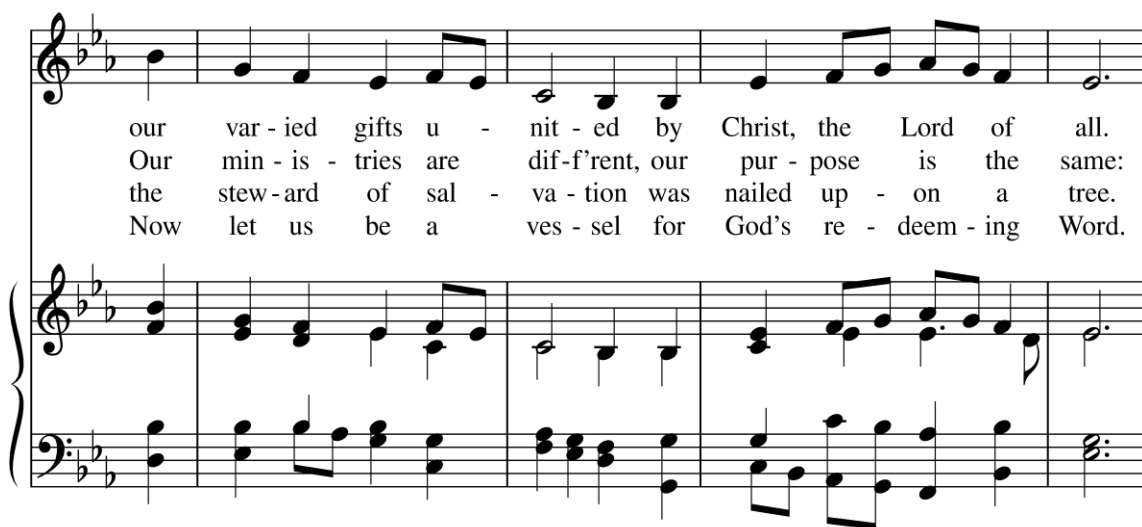
OFFERTORY HYMN

Wonder, Love & Praise #778 We are all one in mission

Please stand as you are able for the hymn.



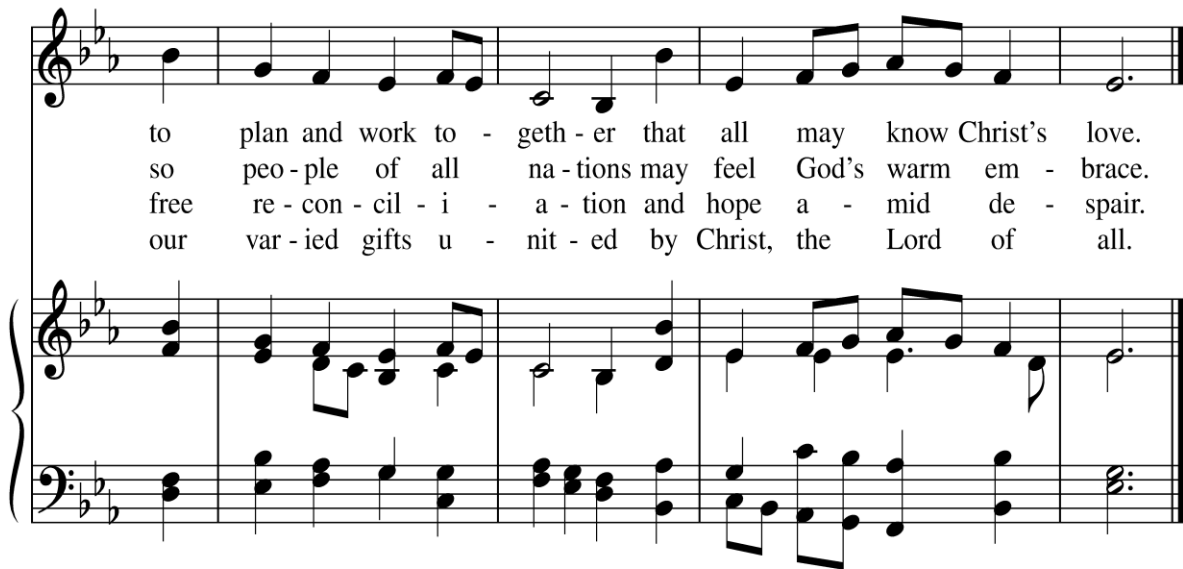
1. We all are one in mis - sion, we all are one in call,
2. We all are called for ser - vice to wit-ness in God's name.
3. We all be - hold one vi - sion, a stark re - al - i - ty;
4. Now let us be u - nit - ed and let our song be heard.



our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent, our pur - pose is the same:
the stew - ard of sal - va - tion was nailed up - on a tree.
Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.



A sin - gle, great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
to touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace,
Yet res - ur - rect - ed Jus - tice gives rise that we may share
We all are one in mis - sion, we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
 so peo - ple of all na - tions may feel God's warm em - brace.
 free re - con - cil - i - a - tion and hope a - mid de - spair.
 our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

Words: Rusty Edwards (b. 1955). Music: *Nyland*, Finnish folk melody; adapt. and harm. David Evans (1874-1948).

DOXOLOGY HYMN #380, VERSE 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
 Praise God all creatures here below
 Praise God above ye heavenly host
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

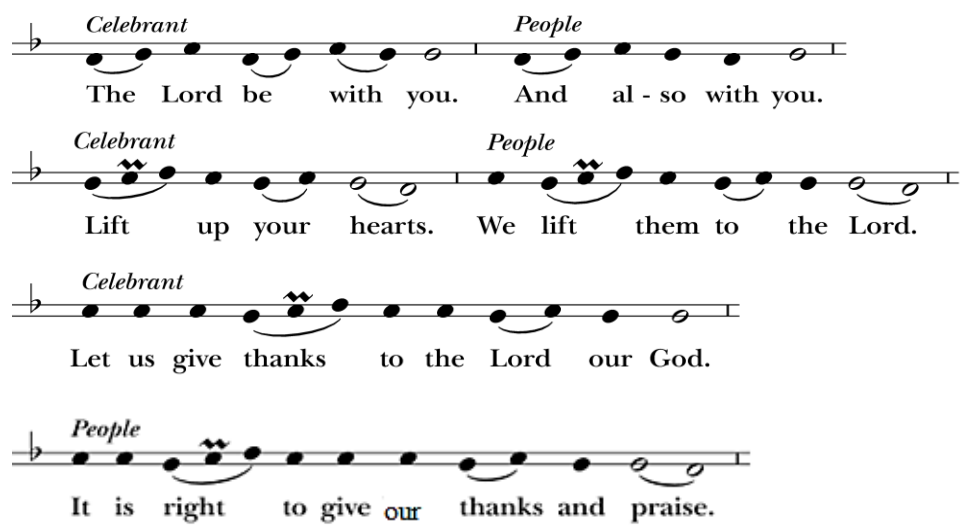
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer D

Please remain standing as you are able.

Book of Common Prayer p. 372

SURSUM CORDA #S-120



Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so 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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant 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...

...Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

SANCTUS #S-129

Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav - en 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.

Please stand as you are able.

The Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love...

...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...

...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 ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Book of Common Prayer p. 364

Celebrant

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

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.

THE BREAKING OF BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept. Then follows

THE FRACTION ANTHEM #S-154

Hurd

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The gifts of God for the people of God.

This altar is not ours, it is the Lord's. So come to this altar, you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been here for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

Adapted from the Iona Community's *Iona Abbey Worship Book*,
(Glasgow, UK: Wild Goose Publications, 2001), 53.

About Receiving Communion

Wherever you are in your journey with God, you are welcome to receive Communion. If you are in person and wish to receive, simply come forward to the altar rail, where you may either stand or kneel, holding forward an open palm. The priest will place the communion wafer in your hand. **Gluten-free wafers are available—just ask.** Then, the deacon will bring to you the common cup of wine. You may either drink from the cup, or you may let the deacon take the wafer from your open palm, dip the wafer into the wine, then place the wafer on your tongue. If you prefer to receive a blessing from the priest instead of communion, you may also come forward to the altar rail and hold your crossed arms over your chest.

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Especially if you are worshiping via livestream, you are invited to pray the following Prayer for Spiritual Communion:

Most holy Jesus, in you we are made one body and one spirit; may all that is in you flow into me this day, that I may grow more fully into your stature, bound to you in love within the communion of all the saints, and may this spiritual communion grant to me, in my earthly pilgrimage, a means of grace and a hope of glory; for your tender mercy's sake. Amen.

As Communion is distributed, we sing:

COMMUNION HYMNS

LEVAS #151

One bread, one body

LEVAS #204

Now the green blade riseth

Please stand as you are able.

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.**

THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do God's will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN LEVAS #42

I serve a risen Savior

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

POSTLUDE

*Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall
immediately following the service.*



Today's Worship Leaders

The Rev. Meredith Kadet Sanderson
Celebrant & Preacher

The Rev. Deacon Gail Ganter-Toback
Deacon

Dan Milici
Guest Musician

Barbara Slegel
Eric Zavadil
Readers

Grace Woodcock
Acolyte

Susan Gausepohl
Altar Guild

Leslie Quick, Hope Jennings
Coffee Hour Hosts

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