# The Fifth Sunday of Easter



All Saints' Episcopal Church April 28, 2024 9:30am

# The Holy Eucharist

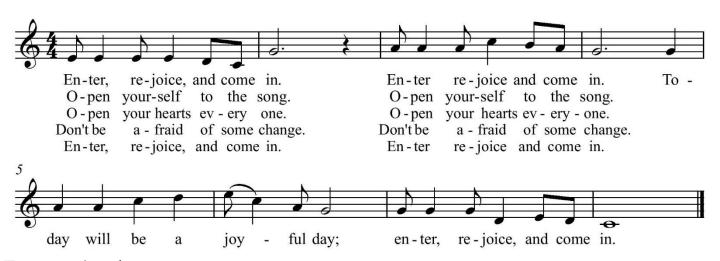
#### Prelude

# Tolling of the Bell

Opening Hymn

Enter, Rejoice, and Come In

L. Ruspini



#### Easter Acclamation

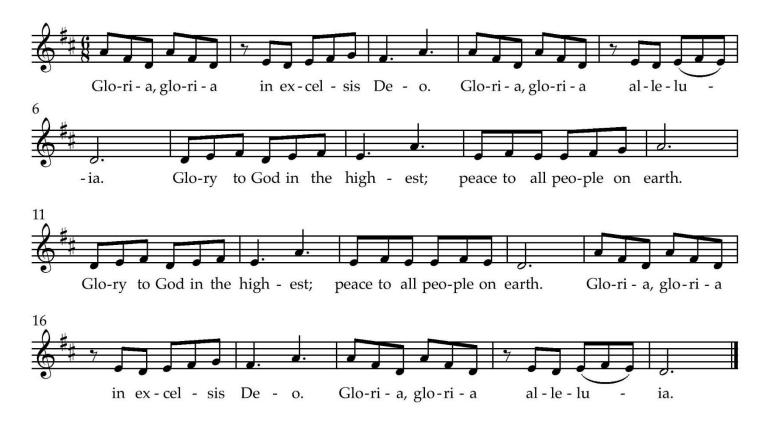
Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

# The Collect for Purity

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.** 

Gloria C. Celia



#### The Collect

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 Liturgy of the Word

The congregation may be seated.

First Reading Acts 8:26-40

Reader A reading from the book of Acts.

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace,

queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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

#### Psalm (Recited responsively by whole verse)

22:24-30

- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*
  I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: \*
  "May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, \* and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; \* he rules over the nations.

- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; \* all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; \* they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn \* the saving deeds that he has done.

## Second Reading

1 John 4:7-21

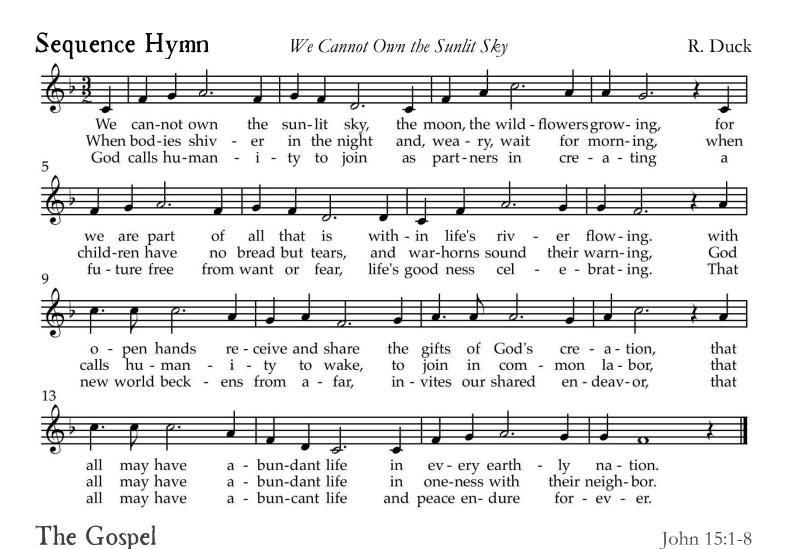
Reader A reading from the first letter of John.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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



Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John.People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

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

The Sermon Mtr. Katherine Gordon

In the silence that follows the sermon, you are invited to a time of reflection.

#### 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

Let us join through prayer with everything that lives. Let us acknowledge to God the one life we share, saying: O God, who makes us one, **hear our prayer**.

O, God, your Holy Spirit is alive in all the earth. Your Spirit that moved and shaped land and sea, trees and beasts still moves and shapes us into creation. Through Christ we know you one Holy Spirit, for you are God of all. That all the world may know your Spirit, we pray: O God, who makes us one, **hear our prayer.** 

Open your world before our eyes, so that we see far and near. Show us newly what lives around us, over and behand and within. Give us the mind of Christ. O God, who makes us one, **hear our prayer.** 

Bring us to one another, that we may hear and understand each other. Bring trust and sympathy between the peoples of the world. Make all nations one household with many rooms. O God, who makes us one, **hear our prayer.** 

Heal us who are sick. Cheer us who are guilty. Love us who are alone. Join us who are distant. Call all the world to yourself. O God, who makes us one, **hear our prayer.** 

Enliven the church with the Spirit of Christ. Through us give your loving Spirit to a world in need of comfort. Make our many gifts one offering for the world. O God, who makes us one, **hear our prayer.** 

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially Connie, Jane Latimer & her family, Michelle, Bob Evans, Alice Gitgen-Tsukada, and John Gutz. O God, who makes us one, **hear our prayer.** 

O God, keep our minds inside your love, for we are many parts and need to be one. We beg for this unity which only your Spirit can give, through Christ our Lord.

#### The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### Announcements

## Birthdays, Anniversary and Travel Blessings

Celebrant and People

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as Christ loves us. Amen

# The Holy Communion

# Offertory Sentence

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

All stand as the bread and wine are brought forward, then seats may be resumed to hear the Offertory Music.

Offertory Music

Heart of Healing

C. Celia

Doxology (All stand)

Alleluia, Give Thanks

Hymnal #178, v. 1-2

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give thanks to the risen Lord, Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His Name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth He is the King of creation.

Alleluia, Alleluia,
Give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia,
give praise to His Name.
Spread the good news o'er all the earth.
Jesus has died and has risen.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give thanks to the risen Lord, Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His Name.

# The Great Thanksgiving

Prayer A

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantAnd also with you.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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, 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:

**Sanctus** Renew #204, v 1 & 4

1) Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

4) Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

The people stand or kneel.

#### Then 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.

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.

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**.

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

## The Lord's Prayer

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

#### Fraction

#### Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's Table. Please proceed to the Communion rail when directed by the usher. If you wish to receive only the bread (the host) please extend one hand. Hold out two hands if you wish to receive both the bread and wine. Receiving wine will be by intinction. Those wishing to receive communion at their seats should notify the usher. The priest will bring you communion. If you only wish to receive a blessing and not communion, cross your arms in front of you, and the priest will offer a prayer of blessing.

For those 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 our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about the possibility of baptism, or any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.

#### Communion Music

Piano Voluntary #1

C. Celia

## Prayer for Spiritual Communion

On behalf of all who watch online and are unable to make their Communion, the Celebrant says Lord Jesus, you give us yourself in the bread and wine of communion that becomes your Body and Blood. Grant that we may receive you spiritually today, in our hearts, minds and souls, and that we may have confidence in your promise to be with us always.

Amen.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

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

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you, the riches of his blessing. **Amen.** 

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.** 

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.** 

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.** 

## Going Forth Hymn

Lord Dismiss Us

Hymnal #344, v. 1-3

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace:

O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration for thy Gospel's joyful sound: may the fruits of thy salvation in our hearts and lives abound: ever faithful, ever faithful to thy truth may we be found;

so that when thy love shall call us,
Savior, from the world away,
fear of death shall not appall us,
glad thy summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever
reign with thee in endless day.

Priest

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

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia

Postlude

Take Light into the World

C. Celia

# Service Schedule for April 28th and May 5th

Sunday, April 28, 2024

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Greeter/Usher Crucifer/Chalice Reader Altar Guild

Musicians

Officiant

Allen Sweet
Paul McCarthy
Susan Haynes
Pat Bartee
Caroline Celia
Mother Katherine

Carol Graham Mother Katherine

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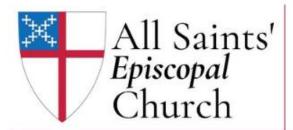
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Readings for next Sunday, May 5, 2024

Acts 10:44-48 ~ Psalm 98 ~ 1 John 5:1-6 ~ John 15:9-17 When viewing online, click here for next week's readings!

#### Intercessions and Thanksgivings

#### In the Church:

Susan, Bishop of San Diego ~ Michael, Presiding Bishop

Daryl, President of the Standing Committee ~ Members of the Executive Council Mother Katherine, Priest of All Saints' as well as the Vestry & APP team of All Saints' All Saints' Community Engagement Committee

#### In the World:

Refugees and all who are displaced.

Israel, Gaza, and peace throughout the Middle East.

Victims of natural disasters, especially those in our state impacted by flooding.

Racial justice, gender equality, and all marginalized communities.

For victims of gun violence.

For immigration reform, for those who are undocumented, and for families separated by deportation.

For those who are incarcerated, and for their families.

The leaders and people of these United States, the State of California, the County of San Diego, and the City of Vista.

In our Anglican Cycle: The Church of Bangladesh.

Episcopal Diocese of San Diego Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: the clergy and people of St. Andrew's by-the-Lake, Lake Elsinore.

In our Episcopal Diocese of San Diego Military Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: the USS Curtis Wilbur (DDG 54).

In our All Saints' Vista Family:

Help & Healing: Alice Gitgen-Tsukada, Michelle, John Gutz

Rest in Peace:

Special Intentions: Jane Latimer and her family, Connie, Bob Evans

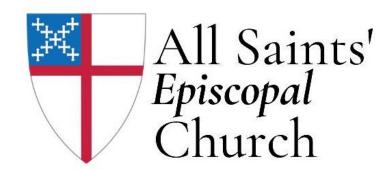
**Quiet Confidence:** 

Those who are Traveling:

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Happy Anniversary John & Karen Knieff 5/1



Send prayer requests to Amber at <u>office@AllSaintsVista.org</u> and copy Mtr Katherine at <u>MotherKatherine@AllSaintsVista.org</u> as well so she can offer pastoral assistance. Send us your birthdays, anniversaries, and other celebratory dates as well. Supporting each other is for the good times too! Don't forget to take this page of the weekly bulletin home with you so you can offer your own prayers. All prayer requests remain in the bulletin for 4 weeks. If continued prayers are needed, please let the office know.



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Wednesday	9am to 2pm
Thursday	CLOSED
Friday	9am to 2pm
Saturday	CLOSED
Sunday	8:30am to 11am

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