

Sunday, May 2nd, 2021

The Fifth Sunday of Easter



**The Holy Eucharist: Rite I 8:00 AM
and
The Holy Eucharist: Rite II 10:30 AM**

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We begin the service in silence.

The Word of God

Congregants stand if able.

Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Gloria

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day: O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The First Reading:

Acts 8:26-40

Psalm 22:24-30 *Spoken aloud responsively, by whole verse*

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.

The Second Reading

1 John 4:7-21

Please stand if able

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People **Glory be to thee, O Lord**

The Gospel

John 15:1-8

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ**

Sermon

The Rev. Rick Tiff

Please stand if able

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

Please stand or kneel as is your custom or ability.

Prayers of the People

Celebrant: *Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.*

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty,

beseeking thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Holy and ever-present God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church, remembering especially, **The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.**

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for we pray for **The Clergy and people of St. Julian's, Douglasville; Southwest Atlanta Convocation, for all congregations seeking new or renewed direction; and The Bishop and people of our companion and partner, Diocese of Cape Coast.**

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially **our presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Bishops Rob Wright, Don Wimberly, and Paul Lambert, and for Rick Tiff, our Priest,** that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land **especially Joe, our President; Brian, our Governor; and David, our Mayor; and Jevin our chairperson,** that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

We pray for all members of our armed forces and all in danger of war or terrorism, remembering especially, **Blane, Aaron, Ashlyn, Allison, Kevin, Ben, Mark D., Jordan, Jonathan, Matthew H., Matthew K., Michael, Rebekah, Todd, Chris, Lindsay, and Mark W.**

We pray for all who work in the healing ministry, especially those who find themselves on the frontlines of this coronavirus pandemic, and we offer thanks for those essential workers who continue to provide for our essential needs.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, remembering especially, **Geneva, Joan, Debora, Tracey, Cathie, Jeri, Jane, Amanda, Carolyn, Brenda, Paul, Sue, Sandy & Rick, Bee, Rose, Ethel, Doris, Olivia, Carol, Celia, Abbie, Mark, Maxine, Ryan, Norma, Ginny, Walt, Edward, Marcus & Rebecca, LoriBeth, Bob F., Katie, Linda, Janelle, Beverly F., Colleen, the Joyner family, Taylor Joy, Shana, Carol, Paula, Beverly P., Linda, Ellen Sue, Carolyn & Ray, Regina, David, Nikki, Amanda, Mike, Addie, Alan, Bo & Toni, and David.**

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Mark and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

The Peace

All stand if able.

The Celebrant says to the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer I

All stand if able

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand. Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. AMEN.

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

The Lord's Prayer

People and Celebrant

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 the Bread

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

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Facing the people, the Celebrant may say 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.

Invitation

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, all are invited to come forward. All Christ's followers no matter your church home, are welcome to receive communion. During this Covid19 season, the ministers will distribute the bread only. Please social distance as the ushers invite you to come forward. Please do not kneel. If you prefer a blessing instead of communion, cross your hands over your chest

The Communion

Post-Communion Prayer *Please stand if you are able.*

Spoken aloud by Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

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

The Third Sunday of Easter

Welcome to St. Mark's!

Thank you for joining us! All are welcome to receive the bread at Communion.
PLEASE NOTE: The hymns and service music today that are noted with ****** will be sung by members of the St. Mark's choir.

10:30 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

Prelude Come away to the skies

Middlebury/Wilbur Held

All stand if able

Processional Hymn ** God is love, let heaven adore him

Abbot's Leigh

Acclamation

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The Gloria **

Robert Powell

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you

People **And also with you**

Celebrant Let us pray

The Collect of the Day:

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

Please be seated

First Reading

Acts 8:26-40

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.

Psalm 22:24-30**

Robert Knox Kennedy

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

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.

Sequence Hymn** O blessed spring

Berglund

Please stand if able

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

The Gospel

John 15:1-8

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."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

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

The Nicene Creed *all stand*

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

Celebrant: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church, especially remembering, The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.

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

The Leader and People pray responsively

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, remembering especially, Michael, our presiding Bishop; Robert, our Bishop; Don, our Assisting Bishop, and Rick, our priest;

*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, remembering especially Joe our President; Brian, our governor; David our Mayor; and Jevin, our Chairperson,

*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., sickness or trouble; remembering especially; *Geneva, Joan, Debora, Tracey, Cathie, Jeri, Jane, Amanda, Carolyn, Brenda, Paul, Sue, Sandy & Rick, Bee, Rose, Ethel, Doris, Olivia, Carol, Celia, Abbie, Mark, Maxine, Ryan, Norma, Ginny, Walt, Edward, Marcus & Rebecca, LoriBeth, Bob F., Katie, Linda, Janelle, Beverly F., Colleen, the Joyner family, Taylor Joy, Shana, Carol, Paula, Beverly P., Linda, Ellen Sue, Carolyn & Ray, Regina, David, Nikki, Amanda, Mike, Addie, Alan, Bo & Toni, and David;*

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: We remember all who serve to protect the freedoms we enjoy, especially *Blane, Aaron, Ashlyn, Allison, Kevin, Ben, Mark D., Jordan, Jonathan, Matthew H., Matthew K., Michael, Rebekah, Todd, Chris, Lindsay, and Mark W.*

Leader: In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for *The Clergy and people of St. Julian's, Douglasville; Southwest Atlanta Convocation, for all congregations seeking new or renewed direction; and for The Bishop and people of our companion and partner, Diocese of Cape Coast.*

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

The Priest adds a concluding prayer

Silence

The Peace

The Holy Communion

Please stand if able

Offertory Brethren, we have met to worship

Holy Manna/Lani Smith

Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing. The Celebrant or priest, faces them and sings or says

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.**

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. 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**

Richard Proulx

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.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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 As our Savior Christ has taught us, 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Breaking of the Bread

(The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread)

Fraction** Christ our Passover

Gerald R. Near

Invitation

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The Communion

Communion Meditation Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life

The Call

Post-Communion Prayer

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

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand if able

Recessional Hymn** Love divine, all loves excelling

Hyfrydol

We turn to follow the cross as we prepare to go out into the world in peace.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude Postlude on "Hyfrydol"

Gordon Young

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the
Glory of God and in loving memory of their granddaughter, Ellie and daughter-in-law, Angie
by John & Jackie Boykin*

This Week at St. Mark's

Sunday, May 2 - Easter 5 8:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite I 10:30 am Holy Eucharist: Rite II	Office Hours: Monday - Thursday May 3-6 8:00am-1:00pm By Appointment Only
Sunday, May 9 - Easter 6 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:30am Holy Eucharist Rite II	Friday, May 7th Office Closed



Assisting in the Service today

Priest	The Rev. Rick Tiff
Organist/Choir Director	Beth Nichols
Singers	Jennifer Phinney, Barry Pulliam
Senior Warden	Rick Powell
Junior Warden	Jan Littell
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Kim Littell, Cindy Michaels
Lector	Theirry Urbain
Prayer Leader	Jaime Beckler
Flower Guild	Annelle Serritt
Linen Guild	Cathy Houser
Altar Guild	Marilyn Lance, Kathi Reisz
Ushers	Marilyn Lance, Mike Andersen, Mike Renfroe
Vestry of the Day	Blake Bennett
Audio/Video	Alex Brown, Blake Bennett

Intercessions

*Names on this list will be moved to the long term prayer list seen in the weekly Electronic Bulletin Board after **four (4) weeks here**, unless the office receives a request to keep them on the Intercessions longer.*

***Parishioners**

*Geneva Albertson
*Joan Anderson
*Debora Buckner
*Tracey Burke
*Cathie Cope
*Jeri Cotnam
*Jane Harrell
*Amanda Hawkins
*Carolyn Hawkins
*Brenda Hoffmeyer
*Paul Johnson
*Sue Killcreas
*Sandy & Rick Martin
*Bee Maybank
*Rose Renfroe
*Ethel Rutledge
*Doris Shoemaker

*Olivia Sneary
*Carol Taylor
*Celia Williams
Abbie
Mark Beckler
Maxine Broeker
Ryan Buckner
Norma Burney
Ginny Griffin Brandau
Walt Brown
Edward "Skinny" Calhoun
Marcus & Rebecca Carrell
LoriBeth Eicholtz
Bob Frady
Katie Hasty
Linda Hine
Janelle Ferguson
Beverly Folwell

Colleen Halverson
David Joyner Family
Taylor Joy Llewellyn
Shana Massengill
Carol McCormick
Paula Morrow
Beverly Pulliam
Linda Price
Ellen Sue Rhodes
Carolyn & Ray Ridley
Regina Robertson
David Ronn
Nikki Satterfield
Amanda Setters
Mike Shoates
Addie Snyder
Alan Thomas
Bo & Toni Thompson
David Young