## SAINT ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

+ + + Conway, South Carolina



The Sixth Sunday of Easter 10:00 AM May 25, 2025

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

#### **ENTRANCE HYMN**

#### Please stand as you are able. Singing Verses 1-4 only Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (Hyfrydol) (H 460)





#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Priest:Alleluia! Christ is risen.People:The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!





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### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And also with you.
Priest:	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 Reading: Acts 16:9-15

Please be seated.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

<sup>9</sup>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." <sup>10</sup>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.

<sup>11</sup>We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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. <sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>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.

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

#### PSALM: Psalm 67

Cantor: O God, let all the nations praise you!

People: O God, let all the nations praise you!

Cantor: May God have pity on us and bless us; May he let his face shine upon us. So may your way be known upon earth; Among all nations, your salvation.

People: O God, let all the nations praise you!

Cantor: May the nations be glad and exult, Because you rule the peoples in equity; May the nations be glad and exult, The nations on the earth you guide.

People: O God, let all the nations praise you!

Cantor: May the peoples praise you, O God; May all the peoples praise you! May God bless us, And may all the ends of the earth seek him!

People: O God, let all the nations praise you!

#### **SECOND READING: Revelation 21:10, 22-25**

A Reading from the Revelation of John.

<sup>10</sup>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.

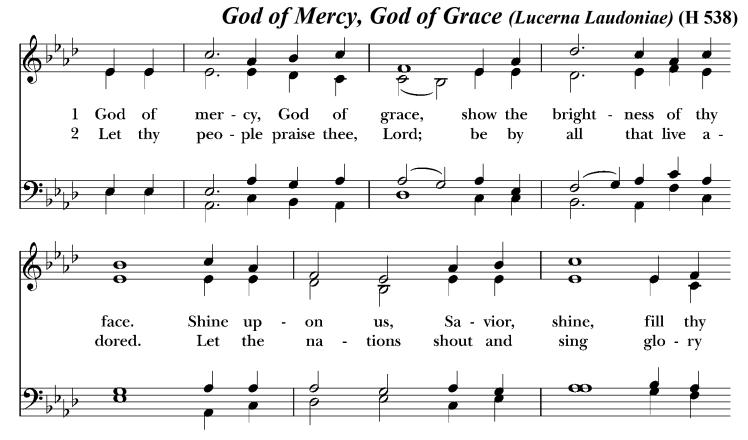
<sup>22</sup>I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. <sup>25</sup>Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup>People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup>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.

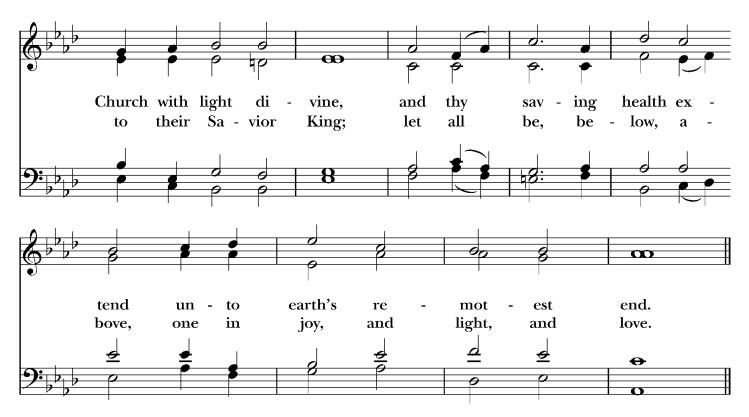
<sup>22:1</sup>Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup>through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup>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; <sup>4</sup>they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup>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.

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

#### **SEQUENCE HYMN**

Please stand as you are able.





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#### GOSPEL: John 14:23-29

# *Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>23</sup>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. <sup>24</sup>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.

<sup>25</sup>"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup>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. <sup>27</sup>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. <sup>28</sup>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. <sup>29</sup>And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe." Priest:The Gospel of the Lord.People:Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON

*Please be seated. A moment of quiet reflection is held after the sermon.* 

#### THE NICENE CREED

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.

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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

Holy God send your spirit to comfort, inform, direct, and guide us to your truth in this life and in the life to come. Hear and respond to us as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Gift all those who love you with the will and discipline to follow your commands. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Inspire those who fear that you are far from them. Guide us to be in their lives so that they may know with certainty that your love is always present.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Give our national and international leaders and all who hold authority over your people strong hearts filled with compassion, mercy, and justice.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Comfort those who are sick in body, mind, or spirit. Grant them an awareness of your faithful care and your deep desire for the restoration of all things. Especially we pray for *Amy, Danielle and Rowan, Donna G., Ann, Thom and Carol, Linda, Trudy, Josie, Bobby, Ann and Mike, Betty, Ann S., Joyce, Paulette, Shirley and David, Lisa, Laura, Jeff, Dan, Elizabeth, Denise, Mike, Claudia, Alex, and Susan.* 

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Guide us into vocations, relationships, study, and actions that delight and sustain us as we seek to follow your way of life and love. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for *St. John's Episcopal Church, Johns Island – the Reverend Callie Walpole, Vicar, the Rev. Eric Bash, Curate and The Rev Chris Huff, Priest Associate.* In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for *The Anglican Church of Kenya*.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Welcome the dying who come home to dwell at last in your heavenly kingdom, comfort those who weep or mourn with knowledge of salvation. We pray for *Ed Jenkins*. Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer*.

Priest: Heavenly Father, overturn the empty doubts and fears we keep stored in the secret places of our thoughts and fill us instead with the peace that only you can give. Grant us a life lived in the joy of serving your Son, Jeus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit dwells in love eternal. *Amen* 

#### THE PEACE

Priest:The peace of the Lord be always with you.People:And also with you.

## The Holy Communion

### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

The Celebrant says:

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. For everything in heaven and on earth is yours. Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom, and you are exalted as head over all. (1 Chronicles 29:11)

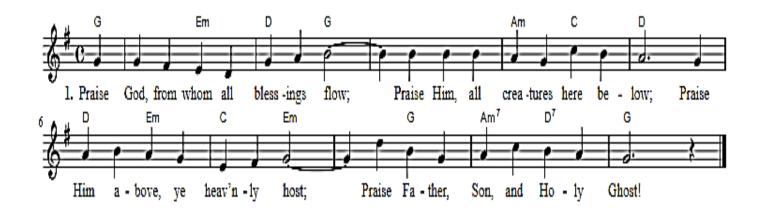
#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

#### Peace

Patricia Mock/Richard A. Nichols St. Anne's Chancel Choir

#### **OFFERTORY PRESENTATION**

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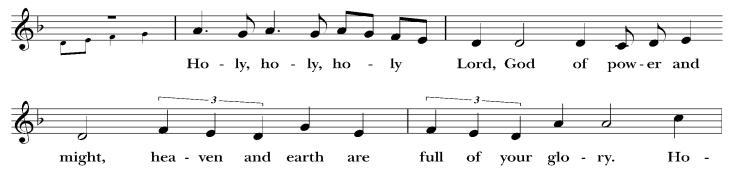
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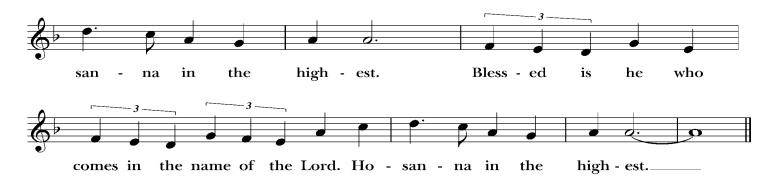
- Priest: The Lord be with you.
- People: And also with you.
- Priest: Lift up your hearts.
- People: We lift them to the Lord.
- Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





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,

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

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 Saint Anne and 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.

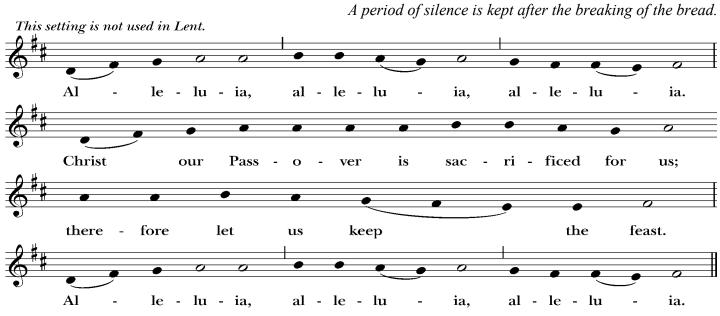
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, forever and ever. *Amen*.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD



#### **INVITATION**

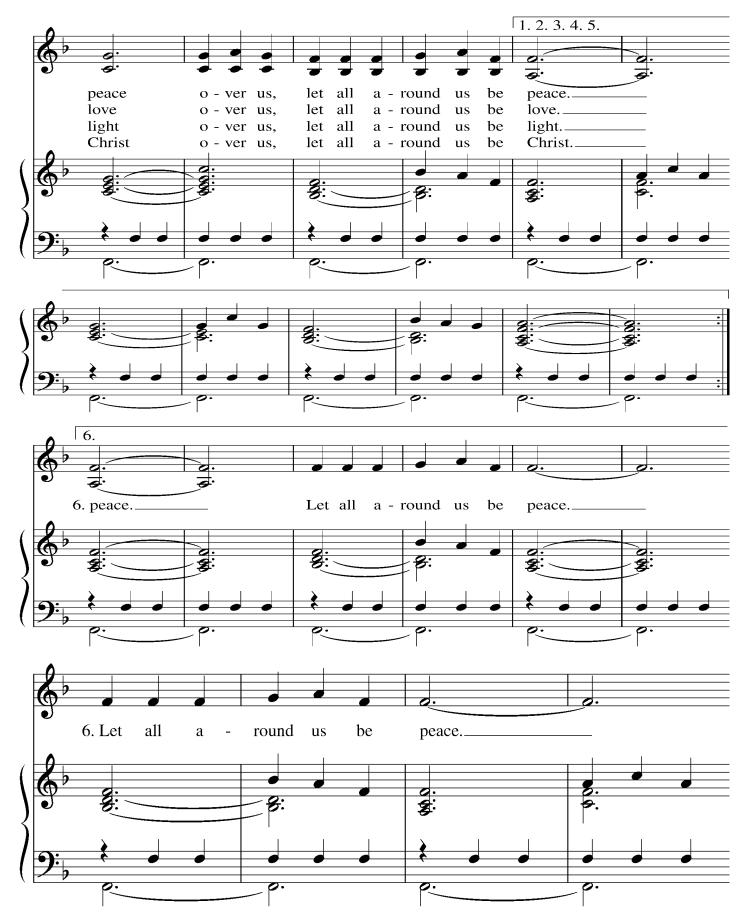
Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy Gifts for a Holy People.

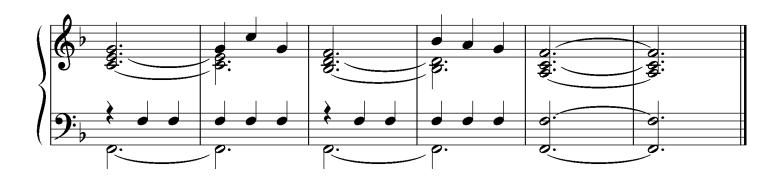
#### DISTRIBUTION

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**

Peace Before Us (WLP 791)







 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
 Peace before us, peace behind us, peace under our feet. Peace within us, peace over us, let all around us be peace. (*three times*)

#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Please stand as you are able.

Let us pray...

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. *Amen*.

#### SENDING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Priest: Rebecca, in the name of Saint Anne's, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts to Calvin, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body.

Congregation: Because we all share in one bread, one cup.

### BLESSING

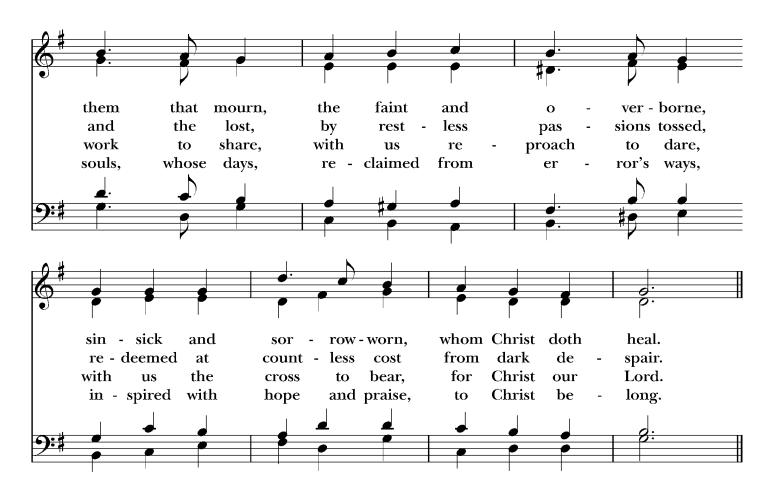
May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *Amen.* 

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, who Creates, Redeems, and Sustains us, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.* 





#### DISMISSAL

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Those interested in giving future sanctuary candles in memory or in honor of someone – or in thanksgiving – please contact the church office.* 

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#### May 25, 2025

Worship Participants	8:30 AM	10:00AM
Altar Guild		Charlotte Bafille
Altar Servers	Randy Wilson	
Lector	Rosemary Jenrette	Mike Battle
Prayers of the People	Rosemary Jenrette	Jen Boyle
Ushers		Lew Lewis & Shelley Wagar
Verger		Barry Dennis
Vestry Person of the Day	Kayla Johnson	Alli Crandell

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