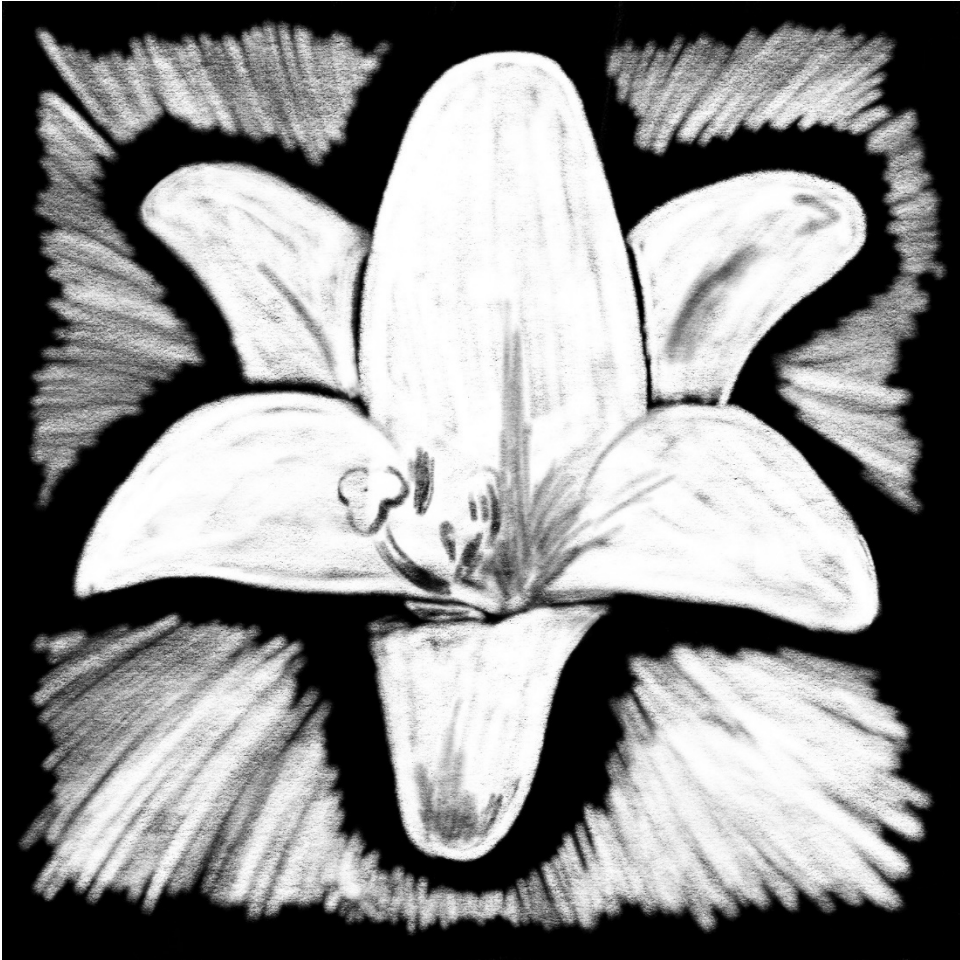


The Holy Eucharist
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 5, 2024
Church of the Holy Apostles



Flake

Welcome to Holy Apostles!

This bulletin is your guide to worship and it has all that you need. Our worship is taken from the Book of Common Prayer. If you have any questions during the Liturgy, don't hesitate to ask an usher or a neighbor. If you are new or visiting, please make sure to introduce yourself to one of the priests after the service. Instructions on when to stand (as able) and sit are in italics, and the prayers and songs that we all sing or say together will be in bold. We hope that you find it easy to follow along and we encourage you to sing out for our congregational hymns. Citations that begin with an "H" are found in the blue book, The Hymnal 1982. Those that begin with an "L" are found in the red book, Lift Every Voice and Sing.

The Liturgy of the Word

Welcome & Announcements

All stand and sing

Processional Hymn: H-439

American Folk Hymn

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
to lay aside his crown for my soul.**

**To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme I will sing.**

**And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free I'll sing and joyful be,
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on.**

Easter Acclamation

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen!

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

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.**

The Gloria: H-S280

R. Powell

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you we give you thanks we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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.**

Please be seated

The First Lesson

read by Heather Kelly

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (10:44-48)

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.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98 Read in unison

Sing to the Lord a new song, *

for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm *

has he won for himself the victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; *

his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

He remembers his 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 the Lord, all you lands; *

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp, *

with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn *

shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

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 the Lord,

when he comes to judge the earth.

In righteousness shall he judge the world *

and the peoples with equity.

The Second Lesson

read by Geoff Kurtz

A reading from the first letter of John (5:1-6)

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.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and sing
Sequence Hymn: H-178

Alleluia No. 1

Refrain: 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. [Refrain]

We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live for ever. [Refrain]

Come, let us praise the living God,
joyfully sing to our Savior. [Refrain]

The Holy Gospel

John 15:9-17

Gospeller 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."

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

The Sermon

Rev. Sarah Kooperkamp

All stand and say
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. 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.

Please remain standing

The Prayers of the People

led by Ellen Correia Golay

Living Christ, you are risen from the dead. Love reigns. You are life stronger than death. Hear the prayers of your joyful people. For the Church: that we may radiate the light of Christ and confidently live as daughters and sons of God; in your mercy (*here and after every petition*) ...

Hear us, Risen Christ.

At this moment you are invited to offer your prayers of thanksgiving or intercession aloud.

The presider offers a concluding collect.

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

This is God's Table: all are welcome

The Offertory

A collection for the church is taken up during the offertory anthem. You can give online at holyapostlesbrooklyn.com or use the plate that is passed.

Offertory Anthem

All stand and sing

Doxology

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God 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... 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:

The Sanctus: L-255

G. W. Brown

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, of the Lord.

Hosanna, in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

The Presider 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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider 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.**

The Lord's Prayer: L-264

A.H. Malotte

**Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Please remain standing

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

S. Shull

**We who are many, are one body,
For we all share in the one bread,
we all share in the one bread.**

Invitation to Communion

These are the gifts for God for all of us, the people of God. Let us take them in remembrance that Christ died for us and feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please come forward for communion following the invitation of the ushers. Extend your hands to receive the consecrated bread. To receive the consecrated wine, please sip directly from the chalice, or if you prefer intinction, please leave the wafer in your hand to allow the minister to dip it.

If you wish to receive a prayer or blessing, one of the clergy will be available by the Mary statue.

Communion Hymn: H-304

Land of Rest

**I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free,
in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me.**

**I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.**

**As Christ breaks bread and bid us share, each proud division ends.
That love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends.**

Communion Anthem

All stand and say

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

Recessional Hymn: H-400

Lasst uns erfreuen

**All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, alleluia!
Bright burning sun with golden beams, pale silver moon that gently gleams,
O praise God, O praise God, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Dear mother earth, you day by day unfold your blessings on our way, O praise God,
Alleluia!**

**All flowers and fruits that in you grow, let them his glory also show:
O praise God, O praise God, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Let all things their creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise God, Alleluia!
Praise God the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise God, O praise God, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Parting Prayer

Edelweiss

**May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever,
bind your heart to his heart with a bond that nothing can sever.
Give you light on the uphill road and courage in every endeavor.
May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever.**

The Dismissal

Join us for coffee half-hour on the lawn following the service.

*Thank you to Alyson Campbell, Geoff Kurtz and Ellen Correia Golay
for hosting coffee half-hour last week!*

Want to be involved at Holy Apostles?

Whether you've been here one week, one year or 20 years, you are invited to **participate in the life of the church through reading during service, hosting coffee hour, singing in the choir.**

Sign up to read or host coffee hour via our website: **www.holyapostlesbrooklyn.com** and click on the Sign Ups tabs at the top of home page.

Announcements

Wednesday, May 8th

- **Community Dinner @ 5:30pm.** Sign up in the back of the church. Poached salmon, cucumber salad, baby potatoes. Mac n cheese for the kids.
- **Evening prayer @ 6:35pm**

Sunday, May 5th @ 5pm

- **Grown up game night! Tonight** Join us for a fun evening of board games, charades and other.

Sunday, June 2nd @ 4:30pm

- **The Institution of the co-rectors.** Join us for a joyful service with Bishop Provenzano followed by a festive BBQ to celebrate Mother Kimberlee & Mother Sarah institution as co-rectors.

Saturday, June 8th – in the early evening

- **Brooklyn Pride Parade.** Join folks from Holy Apostles and other Brooklyn Episcopal churches for Brooklyn Pride. If you are interested in attending and making a poster, please contact Erin McNaughton erinmichellem@gmail.com

Sunday, June 9th after the 10am service

- Join us in the new St. Francis garden as we celebrate the life of longtime parishioner Mercy Samuels.

Summer Planning

Mother Kimberlee begins her sabbatical June 15th and will return in September.

Mother Sarah will be here this summer except for a few weeks off, but will be reachable in the case of pastoral emergencies. Please direct any questions during the summer to Mother Sarah and let us pray that Mother Kimberlee has a restful and recharging sabbatical!

Summer Hours Commence Sunday, June 16th – 9am

On June 16th we move to one service at 9am. **New this summer:** For June through mid-July, we will be offering programming for 0-5 years olds in the undercroft (they must be accompanied by 1 adult). Also, we would like to continue having coffee hour through the end of June. Sign-up on our website.

All Request Summer Hymns

All request summer hymns is coming up – so we need your input of what hymns you would like to sing this summer. Please fill out the online form or the printed one located in the back of the church. If you suggest a hymn outside of the hymnals, please bring in a copy of it for Kevin. We will do our best to sing all the requested hymns.

Parish Prayers

We pray for our May birthdays: Emily Blair, Colleen Lang, Charlie Kooperkamp-Lopez, Geoff Kurtz, Beckett Landau, Ida Love, Loyal Miles, Scott Pasternak, Ben Tyszka.

We pray for those seeking new jobs or discerning a new vocation. We pray for those who are sick and those recovering from surgery, especially Ray Cullen, John Devine, Tom Rigney and Bill Hunter. For the repose of the soul of Loretta Wallace, sister of Tom Rigney, who died this week.

If you have a birthday or a prayer to add to the list, please email us info@holypostlesbrooklyn.com

Save the Date for the Parish Retreat

February 28-March 2

at the Trinity Retreat Center in West Cornwall, CT

Pre-registration begins this May. Forms are in the back of the church, for more info, check our e-newsletter or ask the Mothers.

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