

Trinity†St. Peter's Episcopal Church

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024



Prelude: "Pastorale"

Johann Sebastian Bach

Holy Eucharist

Entrance Rite

At the sound of the bell, all stand as they are able for the beginning of our worship.

Hymn

Hymn 432

1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;
 2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him up - on earth,
 *3 O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound;
 4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanks - giv - ing and song

re - joice in his word, ye an - gels of light;
 in tune - ful ac - cord, all ye of new birth;
 each ju - bi - lant chord re - ech - o a - round;
 to him be out - poured all a - ges a - long!

ye hea - vens, a - dore him by whom ye were made,
 praise him who hath brought you his grace from a - bove,
 loud or - gans, his glo - ry forth tell in deep tone,
 For love in cre - a - tion, for hea - ven re - stored,

and wor - ship be - fore him, in bright - ness ar - rayed.
 praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.
 and sweet harp, the sto - ry of what he hath done.
 for grace of sal - va - tion, O praise ye the Lord!

All remaining standing as are able,

Celebrant

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

Celebrant and People

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

S-279

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, —
— and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, hea-ven - ly King,
al-might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the
Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For you a -
lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Liturgy of the Word

Collect of the Day

Officiant *People* *Officiant*

The Lord be with you. And also with you. 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.

Officiant *People*

A - men.

All sit.

First Reading

Acts 10:44-48

A Reading from the Book of Acts.

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 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm

Psalm 98

Cantate Domino

Refrain: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving pow’r, his saving pow’r.

The refrain is first sung by the choir, and then is sung by all immediately afterward and after each verse.

Verses:

1. Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds; his right hand has won vict’ry for him, his holy arm. *Refrain.*
2. The Lord has made his salvation known: in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel. *Refrain.*
3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God. Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you lands; break into song; sing praise. *Refrain.*

Second Reading

1 John 5:1-6

A reading from the First Letter of 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.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand as are able.

Hymn

Hymn 379, verses 1-2

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
3 God is Love; and though with blind - ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
 one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
 hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun -
 ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
 guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
 break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
 nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
 self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
 Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

Holy Gospel

John 15:9-17

All remain standing as are able.

Celebrant 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.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Hymn 379, verse 3 (page 6)

Sermon


Pause — a time for reflection

The Nicene Creed

S-105

All stand as are able.

Introduction



We be-lieve in one God, the

Fa - ther, the Al - might - y, ma - ker of hea - ven and
 earth, of all that is, seen and un - seen. We be - lieve in
 one Lord, Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, e - ter - nal - ly be -
 got - ten of the Fa - ther, God from God, Light from Light, true God from
 true God, be - got - ten, not made, of one Be - ing with the Fa - ther.
 Through him all things were made. For us and for our sal - va - tion
 he came down from hea - ven: by the pow - er of the Ho - ly Spi - rit
 he be - came in - car - nate from the Vir - gin Ma - ry, and was made man.
 For our sake he was cru - ci - fied un - der Pon - tius Pi - late;
 he suf - fered death — and was bur - ied. On the third day he

rose a-gain in ac - cord-ance with the Scrip - tures; he a-scend-ed
 in - to hea - ven and is seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther.
 He will come a - gain in glo - ry to judge the liv - ing and the
 dead, and his king-dom will have no end. We be-lieve in the
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, the Lord, the giv - er of life, who pro-ceeds from the
 Fa - ther and the Son. With the Fa - ther and the Son she is wor - shipped and
 glo - ri - fied. She has spo - ken through the Pro - phets. We be - lieve in
 one ho - ly cath - o - lic and a - po - sto - lic Church.
 We ac - know-ledge one bap - tism for the for-give-ness of sins.
 We look for the re - sur - rec - tion of the dead, —



The Prayers of the People

All remain standing, as they are able.

Leader God gives what is good. Let us pray that this goodness of God flow through us into all the world, saying: Oh God, giver of love, hear our prayer.

Leader O God, your love is in motion. We praise the strength of your love. Where this is hunger, raise up you love. Where there is hurt and persecution, empower your love. Where there are false prophets, proclaim you love. Where there are lies, speak your love. Oh God, giver of love,

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader Where nations are angry and plot harm against one another, bring your love. Where governments lie and deceive, bring your love. Where powers cripple and destroy what you have made, bring you love. Oh God, giver of love,

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader Where the churches alienate one another, bring your love. Where our fears keep us from offering Christ to all the needy peoples, bring your love. When this assembly is marked by division and jealousy, bring your love. Oh God, giver of love,

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader O Lord, increase our affection. Increase our compassion. Increase our joy. Show us those we do not see. Magnify our love. Oh God, giver of love,

People *Hear our prayer.*

Celebrant and People

O God, we thank you for the power of divine love and for the presence of your love in one another. Guide us all finally into that greatest love who is Christ our Lord.

Peace

All stand as are able.

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Minister and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Announcements may be made at this point in the service, during which the people may be seated.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Bread and Wine are offered at the Altar, and the table is set for the Eucharist. A collection is taken for the work of the church and then blessed. In this set of actions, the whole assembly brings together our food, our material resources, our spirits, our bodies, our cares, our relationships, and our intentions, in order to present ourselves and our world as completely as possible to God. All of them will be blessed in the Eucharistic action to come, and creation itself will be renewed.

Offertory Sentence

The Celebrant says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

Offertory Anthem: Aria (Duet) “Wir eilen mit schwanchen” from Cantata 78 J.S. Bach
Raquel Taylor, Twila Ehmcke, soloists

Wir eilen mit schwanchen, doch emsigen Schritten, O Jesu, o Meister, zu helfen zu dir. Du suchest die Kranken und Irrenden treulich. Ach hore, wie wir Die Stimmen erheben, um Hilfe zu bitten! Es sei uns dein gnadiges Antlitz erfreulich!

We hurry with weak eager steps, O Jesus, O master, to your help. You faithfully look for the sick and straying. Ah, hear as we raise our voices to pray for help! May your gracious countenance give us joy!

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which the earth has given, and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

People *Blessed be God forever.*

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine, and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

People *Blessed be God forever.*

Celebrant Pray, my sisters, and brothers, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty.

People *May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands to the praise and glory of God's name, to our benefit, and to that of all God's holy Church.*

All stand as are able.

Musical notation for the first line. It consists of two staves. The first staff is labeled 'Celebrant' and contains the notes for 'The Lord be with you.' The second staff is labeled 'People' and contains the notes for 'And al- so with you.' Both staves use a G-clef and a key signature of one flat. The notes are quarter notes, with some beamed together and some having slurs. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al- so with you.'

Musical notation for the second line. It consists of two staves. The first staff is labeled 'Celebrant' and contains the notes for 'Lift up your hearts.' The second staff is labeled 'People' and contains the notes for 'We lift them to the Lord.' Both staves use a G-clef and a key signature of one flat. The notes are quarter notes, with some beamed together and some having slurs. The lyrics are: 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.'

Musical notation for the third line. It consists of a single staff labeled 'Celebrant' containing the notes for 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The staff uses a G-clef and a key signature of one flat. The notes are quarter notes, with some beamed together and some having slurs. The lyrics are: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.'

Musical notation for the fourth line. It consists of a single staff labeled 'People' containing the notes for 'It is right to give God thanks and praise.' The staff uses a G-clef and a key signature of one flat. The notes are quarter notes, with some beamed together and some having slurs. The lyrics are: 'It is right to give God thanks and praise.'

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

S-131

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the One who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people kneel, or remain standing, as they are able.

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.

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.



The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

Our Father and Mother in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia!

Fraction Anthem

S-166

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy on
 us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy on us.
 Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

The Celebrant says,

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The People may be seated; the usher will indicate each row for communion. All who feel called are welcome to receive communion; alternatively, you may cross your arms over your chest if you prefer to receive a blessing.

Hymn

Hymn 455

1 O Love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal
 2 O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous Love, we read thee
 3 We read thee best in him who came to bear for
 4 We read thy power to bless and save e'en in the
 and yet ev - er new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -
 in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -
 us the cross of shame, sent by the Fa - ther from on
 dark - ness of the grave; still more in re - sur - rec - tion
 bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all thought.
 low, in seas that swell and streams that flow.
 high, our life to live, our death to die.
 light we read the full - ness of thy might.

Hymn

Hymn 712

1
Do - na no - bis pa - cem, pa - cem. Do - na no - bis

2
pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

3
Do - na no - bis pa - cem. Do - na

no - bis pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People, all standing or kneeling as they are able

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.

Blessing

Celebrant: 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 his 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.

People: Amen.

Hymn

Hymn 416

Sung by all, standing as they are able.

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
2 For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
4 For the joy of hu-man love, bro-ther, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
5 For the Church which ev - er - more lift - eth ho - ly hands a - bove,

1 for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
2 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,
3 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight,
4 friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,
5 of - fering up on ev - ery shore thy pure sac - ri - fice of love,

Refrain

Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

6 For each perfect gift of thine
to the world so freely given,
faith and hope and love divine,
peace on earth and joy in heaven,

Refrain

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude: Improvisation

Future First Sundays Organ Recital, and Evensong, at 5:00 p.m., Spring 2024

Today Evensong with the Choir of Trinity†St. Peter's

June 2 Robert Gurney

We're glad you joined us this Sunday! If you'd like to learn more about T+SP, please feel free to contact us using the information below or visit our website: trinity-stpeters.org

Clergy:	The Rev. Dr. Michael Hiller, priestly@batnet.com
Director of Music:	Robert Gurney, Robertgurney11@gmail.com
Bishop's Committee:	Mike Chambers (Senior Warden), mcham31153@aol.com Louis Cortelleso (Junior Warden), cortellessolouis@gmail.com Paul Nettelmann (Treasurer), paulnettelmann@sbcglobal.net Sandy Kameron (Secretary), singsonsundays@sonic.net Lois M. Webb (Assistant Secretary), lodisgt@yahoo.com Phil Diers, phildiers.sculptor@gmail.com Bob Brundage, bernalbob1@gmail.com
Lay Eucharistic Minister:	Steven De Gracia, quenteamor@hotmail.com
Archivist:	Jennifer Dwight, jennifer.dwight@comcast.net
Altar Guild:	Louis Cortelleso (Junior Warden), cortellessolouis@gmail.com
Rota:	Cynthia Cravens, yarewe_sf@yahoo.com
Newsletter:	Patrick Andersen, pwandersen@yahoo.com
Open Cathedral:	Jay Hoffman, jlh0747@yahoo.com