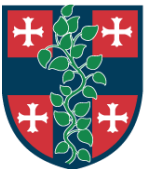


THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2026, 9:30 A.M.



ST. PETER'S
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH

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We seek to worship God, welcome all, and serve Christ in one another.

Welcome to St. Peter's Church! Our worship service can be found in the Red Book of Common Prayer, beginning on page 355. The hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal. Hymn numbers preceded by an "S" are service music, and can be found in the front of the hymnal.

OPENING CHIME

*A bell will chime to signal a period of silence
so that we can center ourselves and prepare for worship.*

PRELUDE Voluntary on "Earth and All Stars" M. Burkhardt

HYMN 495 Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus! *In Babilone*

LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING SENTENCES

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

The Lord is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! 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.**

EASTER ACCLAMATION *Christ is risen from the dead* Hymn (sung 3x)

Christ is ris-sen from the dead, tramp-ling down death by death and on
those in the tombs be - stow - ing life, _____ be-stow-ing life!

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

PSALM 68:1-10, 33-36

Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *

let those who hate him flee before him.

Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *

as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the Presence of God;

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *

let them also be merry and joyful.

Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;

exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *

YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!

Father of orphans, defender of widows, *

God in his holy habitation!

God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; *

but the rebels shall live in dry places.

O God, when you went forth before your people, *

when you marched through the wilderness,

The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,

at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *

at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *

you refreshed the land when it was weary.

Your people found their home in it; *

in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *

sing praises to the Lord.

He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *

he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God; *

his majesty is over Israel;

his strength is in the skies.

How wonderful is God in his holy places! *

the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!

Blessed be God!

SECOND READING

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL

John 17:1-11

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

SERMON

The Rev. Mary Beth Mills-Curran

Following the sermon, a bell will chime to institute a period of silent reflection.

The bell will chime a second time to indicate the end of the reflection period.

NICENE CREED

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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

Form IV

BCP388

EXCHANGE OF PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

All who yearn to be transformed and fed by God are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ at the Lord's Table. If you do not wish to receive communion but feel called to come forward for a blessing, please indicate so by crossing your arms across your chest. We have gluten free Eucharistic bread for people

OFFERTORY

For the Beauty of the Earth

J. Kinyon

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS



The musical notation consists of two staves in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "We seek to wor-ship God, wel-come all, and serve Christ in one a-noth-er."

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

SANCTUS

HYMN S 125

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

**Our Father 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 HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN 603 When Christ Was Lifted From the Earth *St. Botolph*

POST COMMUNION In the Bulb There Is a Flower SPH 12

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION BCP 365

**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

HYMN 460 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus *Hyfrydol*

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE Voluntary on "In Babilone" G. Young

***Now that our worship is over, our service
begins!***

Parish Prayers

Our Parish Prayer List:

Patti Pzegeo, Barbara (Sargent) Johnson, Marjory Kelley, Liz Lannigan, Roberta Smith, Prakash and Santhi Mathews, Robert Bringhurst, Will Kullman, Ethel Neusch, Deanie Reinhardt, Justina Trevorow, Brian Paciulan, Nancy Wood, Mary Sargent, Lauren Shultz, Paula Tamaro, Carol Jugenheimer, Shelley, Namira Evans, Kathryn Dunn, Bob Moore, Ruth Hobbs, Elizabeth Padd, Kyle Lane, Caroline and Charlotte Harrison, Michael LaGasse, Bob Furtado, Hank Gagnon, Monica, David Petroski, Callan Sanger, Stephanie, Judy Ackroyd, Nyria Shaw, Kate Wedemeyer, Zev Rieser, Mary Ellen McDonough, John Moynihan, Anne Harvey, Bette Wright, Brentley Lozzi, Carolyn Detato, Hannah Malik, Melanie Van Steensburg, Sarah Nelson, David LeBlanc and Ann Hewins.

Pray during this week for our parish families:

Paul Iaconis and Kate Wolff
Christine and Daniel Jack
Mandy, Mike, Matthew and Kyle Jasper

Assisting in the service of worship today are:

Lector	Jean Fugina
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Peter Henry
Second Chalice	Marilyn Bragg
Altar Preparation	Judy Lenfest and Mickey Knox
Usher	Jane Cooper and Lee O'Connor
Flower Committee Member	Sue Adams

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