

**Saint Philip's
Episcopal Church**

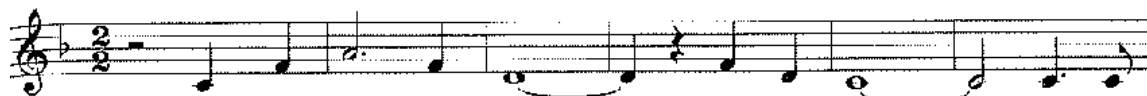


**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Holy Eucharist Rite II
May 5, 2024
10:15 a.m.**

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

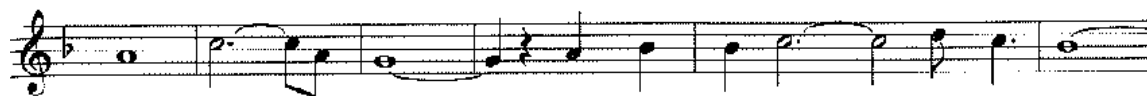
Come to the water



1. O let all who thirst, let them come to the
2. And let all who seek, let them come to the
3. And let all who toil, let them come to the
4. And let all the poor, let them come to the



wa-ter. And let all who have noth-ing, let them
wa-ter. And let all who have noth-ing, let them
wa-ter. And let all who are wea-ry, let them
wa-ter. Bring the ones who are lad-en, bring them



come to the Lord: With-out mon-ey, with-out price.
come to the Lord: With-out mon-ey, with-out strife.
come to the Lord: All who la-bor, with-out rest.
all to the Lord: Bring the chil-dren with-out might.



Why should you pay the price, ex-cept for the
Why should you spend your life, ex-cept for the
How can your soul find rest, ex-cept for the
Eas - y the load and light: ? come to the



Lord?
Lord?
Lord?
Lord.

OPENING SALUTATION

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Celebrant: Almighty God, to 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 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray. (*Silence is kept.*)

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 for the scripture readings.*)

A READING FROM 1 JOHN

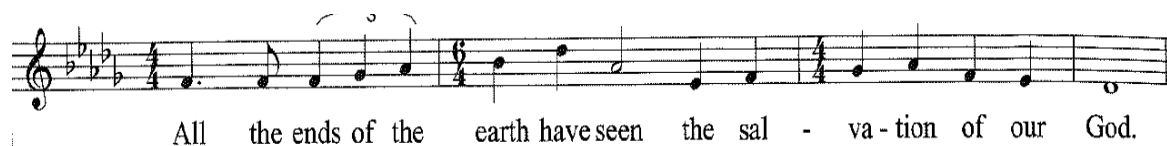
1 John 5:1-6

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.**

PSALM 98



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. *Refrain*

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. *Refrain*

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. *Refrain*

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. *Refrain*

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 15:9-17

Gospeler: 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."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Robert Bunker

(Silence is kept after the Sermon for reflection)

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You may stand, sit or kneel for the prayers.

Intercessor: In the power of Christ's resurrection, let us pray to the Lord, saying
"Hear us, O Lord."

We give thanks for resurrection hope and the joy it brings to God's people, God's creatures, and God's creation. Let us pray: **Hear us, O Lord.**

We pray for all nations and peoples on earth, especially for those who suffer from the effects of war, drought, famine, flood, earthquake and tornados. May all people be transformed by the love, justice and peace of God. Let us pray: **Hear us, O Lord.**

We pray for the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church, called to bring reconciliation to the world. Let us pray: **Hear us, O Lord.**

We ask God's healing mercies to surround those who need them, especially for those on our parish prayer list. Let us pray: **Hear us, O Lord.**

We also pray for those whom we wish to name at this time, either silently or aloud. (You may offer your intercessions at this time.) Let us pray: **Hear us, O Lord.**

We pray for the saints who have gone before us into resurrection light and joy. Let us pray: **Hear us, O Lord.**

We give you thanks, O God, for all that you have given us, especially for the signs of new birth in creation around us and in this parish family. Help us to be good stewards of all your blessings. Give us ever-generous hearts for your mission and ministry here at St. Philip's. Let us pray: **Hear us, O Lord.**

Celebrant: Rejoicing in the risen presence of our Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, and ourselves, to God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*Silence is kept.*)

Celebrant and People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

THE PEACE

WELCOME

RECOGNITION OF BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

THE OFFERTORY (If you wish to make an offering, then please place your offering in the collection plate.)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

If ye love me by T.Tallis

Celebrant: All things come from you, oh Lord.

People: **And of your own have we given you.**

HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer B

(The congregation is invited to stand, if able, during the Eucharistic Prayer.)

Celebrant: 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 our thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant: 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 Celebrant and people

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 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 the ever blessed Virgin Mother, blessed Joseph, blessed Philip 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.**

And now, 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Please come forward, while maintaining distance from other parishioners, to receive communion. At this service, please come up to the table. You may receive both bread and wine, or bread only. If you prefer to receive the bread from the priest then please hold out your hands. You may also drink from the chalice (**please note that we are not permitted to allow for intinction.**) You are also welcome to take the containers of the bread and wine and return to your pew to consume (**Do not consume the bread and wine until you have returned to your seat**). For those who wish to have wine, please take a plastic cup. **Note: We have gluten free wafers if you need one. Just indicate this when you come forward.**

COMMUNION HYMN

One bread, one body by St Louis Jesuits

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (*said by all together*)

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

New songs of celebration render

HYMNAL 413

DISMISSAL

ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers on the Altar are given by Charles and Bunny Richardson in memory of Bernice L. Richardson.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We pray for all who are in need, and for those on our parish prayer list: Krisa Arzayus, Edd Beavers, Stacey Bonsall, Vera and Robert Brosky, Tripp Carey, Bill Cooke, Pat Davis, Cherie Dodgson, Laurie Dusterwald, Fred Fant, Shadi Goodman, Donna and Jim Overocker, Keith Reilly, Patricia Rhodes, Rebecca Ricketts, John Seals, Barbara Shearin and family, Jackie Sturr, Jim Toole, Michael Turner, Phyllis Walcott, Heather Sparby Welsh, Stephen Wheeler.

We also pray for those on our long term parish prayer list: Mary Biancos, Jayne Chew, Jaimie Cooper, Robert Diggs Sr., Vernida Diggs, Bob and Jo Ann Elkins, Felicia Harris, Karen Horne, Natalie Hudson, Ann Jess, Charlotte and Jason Khan, Varis Knight, Susan and Albin Kuhn, Kathy Macoughtry, Michael Medellin, Sandee Olek & John Potts, Linda Stapf, Roburma Ware, Mary Carroll Wilbanks.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Selma Gallardo, a friend of Arlene Leis.

We pray for all who serve in our Armed Forces, and all affected by armed conflicts. We pray for the Church, that it may be united in mission, serving all of God's people as Jesus served us. In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray today especially for the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil. In the Diocese of Washington Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Church of the Ascension and Iglesia la Ascencion; Ascension Day (May 9); Diocesan Confirmation Service (May 11): pray for those who are to be confirmed; St Duncan's Church. We pray also for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Mariann, our Bishop; for Robert, our Rector, for Donna, who is a candidate for Holy Orders for the diaconate, and for all lay ministers empowered by baptism.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TENDING OUR SOIL SPECIAL COFFEE HOUR – MAY 5TH

The Tending Our Soil Ministry is inviting everyone to a special coffee hour in Wyatt Hall after each worship service TODAY, May 5th! There will be plenty of tasty food (bagels, cream cheese, fruit salad, and other goodies) plus we'll be showing a brief video clip and giving out free gifts!!!

The short video is both entertaining and thought-provoking. It's likely to leave you thinking about St. Philip's parish and our ministries (and maybe even your house or your relationships) in new ways. Please join us!!

401 CLUB CAR WASH FUNDRAISER

Due to the rainy forecast the car wash will be postponed until May 19th, after the 10:15 am service. The 401 Club will lead a car wash fundraiser to benefit the Little Chapel Pantry. Last year we raised over \$500, this year we're hoping to raise even more! Bring your dirty cars – we'll have music, lawn chairs, and a cooler full of drinks. You can sit back and relax while we get your car sparkling clean! We are asking for a donation for the Little Chapel Pantry (min \$10 recommended). Cash, checks, or Venmo accepted.

Parents with children – please do join us! There will be plenty of jobs for everyone, even the little ones. Just make sure they dress in clothes that can get wet!

Have questions or want to volunteer to help? Contact Jennifer Toole at jtoole@tooledesign.com, or 443-956-9945.

BOOK SALE

Laurel's Main Street Festival is scheduled for Saturday, 11 May 2024. On that day the Women of St Philips host a used book sale. While Spring cleaning, if you find some books to donate we would love gently used ones .

More details will be coming soon. We will need volunteers to help organize the books as well as sell and pack up and remove books from the property in May.

(Kama Hamilton)

CAMP ST PHILIP'S JULY 8-12, 2024
STELLAR: SHINE JESUS' LIGHT

We are looking for VOLUNTEERS to help us give our children a wonderful week's adventure. In Wyatt Hall you will find a sign up sheet. We need many helpers to make the week a success. Please check the bulletin board near the beverages table and see if there is something you will be able to help with. We need to fill all slots by mid May in order to gather helpers and have time to plan.

Camp St Philip's is a one week ALL DAY adventure.

We are in session from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm daily. There is before and after camp care available. We provide breakfast and ask campers to bring lunch. We will have one all day field trip as well as another part day trip with cook out and special adventure.

Registration begins Sunday, March 24 and runs until Sunday, June 2. We invite campers as young as those entering Kindergarten in Sept 2024 to register. We urge all ages above that to join us in this yearly adventure. Registration forms will be available at St Philip's and will soon be found on our website as well.

Currently, you can find forms for counselors and campers on the long table below the Alpha Window.

More details will soon follow. Please speak to one of us listed below with questions you may have.

Jennifer Toole

Robert Bunker

Betsy Welsh