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The Holy Eucharist
The Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 29, 2022

Prelude

Please stand, in body or spirit.

Hymn 460, Alleluia! sing to Jesus!

HYFRYDOL

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.***

THE HOLY SCRIPTURE

Please be seated.

The First Lesson

Acts 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the

house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

The Response

Psalm 97

The Lord is King;
let the earth rejoice;

let the multitude of the isles be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about him,

righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.

A fire goes before him

and burns up his enemies on every side.

His lightnings light up the world;

the earth sees it and is afraid.

The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord,

at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens declare his righteousness,

and all the peoples see his glory.

Confounded be all who worship carved images
and delight in false gods!

Bow down before him, all you gods.

Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice,

because of your judgments, O Lord.

For you are the Lord,
most high over all the earth;

you are exalted far above all gods.

The Lord loves those who hate evil;

***he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.***

Light has sprung up for the righteous,

and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous,

and give thanks to his holy Name.

The Second Lesson

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words: "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to

everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

Instrumental

The Gospel

John 17:20-26

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Instrumental

A Homily

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Please stand, in body or spirit.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As we wait for the Lord Jesus to come, let us pray for all who thirst and desire the water of life.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Stephen, our Bishop Provisional; Troy, our Rector; and Josh, our Priest Associate.

For all who serve God in God's Church.

For those who are sick or recovering, especially: Ted Heagle, Gary Herrlich, Ian Mackenzie, Sandy Young, those suffering from COVID-19, those on our prayer chain, and those the congregation may wish to remember either silently or aloud at this time (pause).

Hear us, Lord; ***For your mercy is great.***

For ourselves, our families, and those we love. We rejoice with those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week, especially: John Crowl, Robert Duckmanton, David Walk, Vince & Candice Hill, Richard & Melissa Murray, Rug & Sara Altmansberger, Richard & Gale Galusha, and those the congregation may wish to remember either silently or aloud at this time (pause).

We will exalt you, ***O God and praise your Name for ever and ever.***

For all who are in sorrow, we raise up those who have died, especially: Rosalie Preston, those who gave their lives in service to our country, those killed in the mass shooting at an elementary school in Texas, and those the congregation may wish to remember either silently or aloud at this time (pause).

Lord let your loving kindness be upon them, ***who put their trust in you.***

Blessed are you, O Lord, one God with your Son and Spirit. Hear our prayers for all peoples and bring them out of the prison of darkness. Glory to you for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

THE PEACE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Please greet others with a bow or a wave.

THE DEDICATION OF A SANCTUS BELL

Their sound has gone out and their message to your people.

I call to you, my people:
My voice is to the children of God.

Let us pray.

O God, accept this Sanctus Bell, which we dedicate today. Grant that in this generation and in those that are to come, its voice may create a joyful noise and call your people's attention in worship, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

We bless your Name, O Lord, because it has pleased you to enable your servant Marion Ivy to offer this gift for your worship. Remember her for good, and grant that all who benefit from this gift may show their thankfulness to you by using it in accordance with your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts. *Psalm 96:8*

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

All are welcome to receive Communion from Christ's Table.

Offertory Music

All things come of Thee, O Lord, ***and of Thine own have we given Thee.***

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand, in body or spirit.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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. 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:

Hymn S130, *Sanctus (from Deutsche Messe)*

Franz Schubert

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, (x 2, if sung)
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. (x 2, if sung)

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. (x 2, if sung)

Please stand or kneel in body or in spirit.

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

under the care of your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with 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

The Celebrant breaks the bread. A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Due to a spike in COVID-19 cases, the wearing of a mask is strongly encouraged when coming forward for Communion.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Please come forward, down the center aisle, and the Priest will place the bread on your hand. Step to the side, place the bread under your mask and in your mouth. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, please extend your hands palm down to receive the bread. Cross your arms over your chest to receive only a blessing. Please return down the side aisles to your seat. Please take care to sanitize your hands before leaving your pew and coming forward for Communion.

Communion Music

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand or kneel, in body or in spirit.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

A BLESSING

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the way with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn 719, O beautiful for spacious skies

MATERNA

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

ALTAR FLOWERS & COMMUNION BREAD

Today's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of his mother, Rosalie Preston,
whose 78th birthday would have been May 30
by Father Troy

Today's communion bread is given
to the Glory of God and in memory of
those who died in active US military service
by Father Troy
and
in honor of their anniversary
by Vince & Candice Hill

THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICES

CLERGY

The Very Rev. Troy Preston

LECTORS

8 a.m. – Marion Ivy

10 a.m. – Nancy Doutt, Barbara Cook

ORGANIST

Karen Bailey

MEDIA TECHNICIAN

Loretta Preston

USHERS/GREETERS

Pam McCarthy, Rich Murray

ALTAR GUILD

Barbara Clark, Nancy Grant

THE CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

The Very Rev. Troy Preston, Rector
The Rev. Joshua Barrett, Priest Associate
Kristen Mason, Parish Secretary
John A. Sosa, Sexton

Sr. Warden

Anne Galvin

Jr. Warden

Bill Scheidweiler

Treasurer

Barbara Cook

Clerk

Patty Campbell

Vestry

Class of 2022

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Marion Ivy

Bobby Rockwell

Lizz Jones

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Andrea Bookbinder

Erin Fairbrother

Chris Wentzel

Diocesan Delegate

Roberta McDonald

Class of 2024

Rich Murray

Ashley Scott

Chris Walters

Marion Ivy

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