



St Mark's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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**The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 10th, 2026 Rite 2 Year A**

Thank you for joining us in worship.
We are glad you are here.

Please let us know what questions you might have
And if you would like to be on our mailing list.

We Love God

St. Mark's is a community of people who believe in the power of God's love as expressed through God's son, Jesus Christ.

We Love Each Other

Our love for God compels us to love and welcome others with open arms regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or social status.

We Love Our Community

Our love for God compels us to serve our community by being active in service to those in need.

We Love Our Faith

We celebrate our God, for each other and for our community through Episcopal worship that keeps us grounded in our faith.

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The great fifty days of Easter are intended to be the most joyous and festive days in the whole year. We sing and live the story of a new world of possibility. God's longed for reign has begun. We live between the already and the not yet. We do not need to build God's reign, we need only to abide in it, to live as if it is already within and among us, thereby cooperating with God until it comes in its fullness.

-John Westerhoff

Basic Liturgics

Liturgy: "Liturgy" comes from the Greek word *leitourgia*, which literally means "work of the people." It was used to refer to a public work done at private expense and could be used to classify projects like a privately-financed bridge that was being built for the use of a whole town. The public libraries built by Andrew Carnegie could also be considered a *leitourgia*. In church usage, **liturgy** is the act of worship that we do on behalf of ourselves, the wider Church, and the world.

Eucharist: The word Eucharist comes from the Greek word *eucharistia*, which means "thanksgiving." For this reason the Prayer Book also calls the Eucharistic Prayer by the label "The Great Thanksgiving." The service of Holy Communion is our great act of thanksgiving to God.

The Structure of the Eucharistic Liturgy:

The Eucharistic Liturgy is divided into two main parts:

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| (1) The Liturgy of the Word | (2) The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table |
| - The Gathering Rite | - The Offertory |
| - The Lessons & Sermon | - The Eucharistic Prayer |
| - The Creed | - The Lord's Prayer |
| - The Intercessions and Confession | - The Fraction or Breaking of the Bread |
| - The Peace | - Holy Communion |
| | - The Post-Communion Prayer |
| | - Blessing and Dismissal |

Land Acknowledgement

“We recognize and remember the First Nations, the native people who were removed from this portion of God’s creation by force. These nations/tribes in Virginia include the Powhatan, the Chickahominy, the Monocan, the Arrohateck, the Nottoway, and other nations/tribes whose contributions we’ve lost. We recognize and remember enslaved Native Americans, and enslaved Africans and their descendants, separated from their families by force, and who lived under horrific conditions to help build this country. May we always remember that the earth does not belong to us but is a gift from God. May God’s grace and wisdom lead us from our past mistakes to become instruments of justice and peace for all people.”

- Written by the Native American/Indigenous Ministries in the Diocese of Virginia, July 2023, for the Diocesan Offices in Richmond, Virginia
- The Rt. Rev. E. Mark Stevenson, Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia
- The Rt. Rev. Gayle Elizabeth Harris, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia
- The Rt. Rev. Mark A. Bourlakas, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia

Preparing for Worship

In today's hectic world, it is good to have time for silence. Take time to sit quietly and open yourself through silent prayer, meditation, or reading over the bulletin.

Holy Eucharist-Rite Two

The Word of God or The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

A Word of Welcome

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 400

All creatures of our God and King

Lasst uns erfreuen



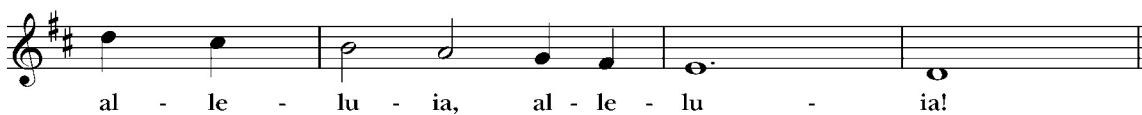
1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
*2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
*3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our
5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your
*6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal
7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
2 loft, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
4 way, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and
5 part, O — sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that
6 breath, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back
7 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:
5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:
6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:
7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:



Opening Acclamation

Presider: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All: 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.

Gloria in Excelsis

Mathias

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - 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 Lectern

The lectern is the stand from which the holy scriptures are read. These include lessons from the Hebrew scriptures (such as histories, psalms, prophetic writings, and wisdom literature) and the epistles (letters) from the New Testament. It is a visible expression of the significance of holy scripture to the life of the church. The Gospel lessons are read from the center aisle, in the midst of the congregation with special reverence, as these contain the life and teachings of Jesus. And just as Jesus, lived and dwelt amongst humanity, we place his words at the center of the congregation's life.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider: 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 Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Acts

Acts 17:22-31

Peter Walker

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

All: Thanks be to God.

God all you lands.
Be joy - ful in

Bless our God, you *peoples*;
make the voice of his praise to be *heard*
Who holds our souls in *life*,
and will not allow our feet to *slip*.

For you, O God, have *proved us*;
you have tried us just as *silver is tried*.
You brought us into the *snare*;
you laid heavy burdens upon our *backs*.

You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and *water*;
but you brought us out into a place of re-*freshment*.

REFRAIN

I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my *vows*,
which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in *trouble*.
I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of *rams*;
I will give you oxen and *goats*.

Come and listen, all you who fear *God*,
and I will tell you what he has *done for me*.
I called out to him with my *mouth*,
and his praise was on my *tongue*.

REFRAIN

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If I had found evil in my *heart*,
the Lord would not have *heard me*;
But in truth God has *heard me*;
he has attended to the voice of my *prayer*.

Blessed be God, who has not rejected my *prayer*,
nor withheld his *love from me*.

REFRAIN

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter

1 Peter 3:13-22

Jennifer McCauley

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 87 (LEVAS)

More love to thee

Doane

1. More love to thee, O Christ, More love to thee!
2. Once earth - ly joy I craved, Sought peace and rest;
3. Then shall my ev - ery breath Sing out your praise;

1. Hear thou the prayer I make On bend - ed knee;
2. Now thee a - lone I seek, Give what is best;
3. This be the on - ly song My heart shall raise;

1. This is my ear - nest plea;
2. This all my prayer shall be: More love, O Christ, to Thee,
3. This still my prayer shall be:

More love to thee, More love to thee!



The Pulpit

The pulpit is reserved for the sermon, suggesting the important role of reflecting on scripture. The canopy is designed to reflect sound and comes from the time when that was the only means of amplification to the congregation.

The Gospel

John 14:15-21

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John
All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

The Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Children ages 4-11 are invited to join Monica, Blaine, and Malinda for Children's Worship.

(Please be seated)

The Sermon

The Rev. Charles "Buck" Aiken



The Baptismal Font

Through the sacrament of baptism we become members of Christ's family – the Church. The presence of the baptismal font in the church is a reminder of our own baptism and the commitments that we made, or that were made on our behalf, at our baptism. Often people will touch the water and make the sign of the cross on themselves as a reminder of their baptismal vows.

(Please stand as you are able)

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.**

(Remain Standing)

Prayers of the People

Jane Elbert

Intercessor: During the Great Fifty Days of Easter, we offer our prayers to God with the refrain: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

Intercessor: We pray for the Church of God around the world and across time. We remember especially, our friends in mission: St. Dunstan's, McLean, and St. Mary's, Goochland, and All Mothers this Mother's Day. May we, as the living Body of Christ, make God's love known near and far:

All: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

Intercessor: We pray for our nation and its leaders here at home, remembering especially: Donald, our president, Abigail our governor, and Danny our mayor. We pray for all nations and leaders around the world. May we do our part to see that the boundaries of division be overcome by God's shining light of grace, mercy, and peace:

All: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

Intercessor: We pray for the earth and all creation. We ask for the courage to reconcile ourselves to one another and for the compassion to care for those in need. May we seek and serve our lord Jesus in all whom we meet:

All: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

Intercessor: We pray for our local community and those on our parish prayer list, remembering especially Emily, Samantha, Orié, Jerry, Jane, Sandra, Margie, Pam, Jane and Stuart, Ryn, the Tucker family, Haig and Anne, Kenneth, Bobbie, Jo, Betty, Lisette, Mike and Margaret, Phyllis, Marsha, Bill, Yvonne and the Catton Family, Colleen, Jane, David, Richard, Jeffrey, Heather, Dave, Rebecca, Bill and the Northen family, Henry, Natona, Eleanor Velez and family, Tom, Paul, Maria, Judy, Phyllis, Wendy, Val, Dawn, Curtis, Kandace, Mollie, Janice, John, Terri, Everette, Jennifer, Mary, Robert, Sally, Louis, Andrew and Gretchen, Ron, Pam, the Dummitt family, Elizabeth and David, Ronnie, Nicholas, the Sonant family, Amy, Kristy, Randi, Marion, and Hollis.

Additional petitions may be made silently or aloud.

Silence

May our fellowship in Christ be a source of healing and love for those in need:

All: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

Intercessor: We remember and celebrate those who have died, that they may dwell in eternal peace and be raised to new life in Christ.

All: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

Intercessor: We thank you for all the blessings of this life: especially Harold, Peter, Sandy, and Ethan who celebrate birthdays, and Laura and Charles, who celebrate an anniversary this week. And most of all, we thank you for the love you have given us in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: may our gratitude be a beacon of hope for the world whom you have redeemed:

All: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

Concluding Collect

(As a sign of God's reconciling love in the Resurrection, the Confession of Sin is omitted through Pentecost Sunday.)

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

(All greet one another in the name of the Lord.)

(Please be seated)

Announcements and News of the Church Community



The Altar & Holy Table

This unique piece of furniture is both an altar, upon which we present gifts of bread, wine, donations, praise, and thanksgivings to God as a sacrificial offerings; and, it a table around which we gather to celebrate God's love for us, by drawing us together as the body of Christ when we receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. As we receive Holy Communion, we seek reconciliation with God and one another; and are thereby emboldened to take God's love into the world.

The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table



SCAN to DONATE

Invitation to Holy Communion

(Remain seated)

Offertory

If ye love me

Text: John 14:15-17

Music: Thomas Tallis

If ye love me,
keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may 'bide with you forever,
e'en the spirit of truth.

(Please stand as you are able)

At The Presentation, Doxology

Lasst uns erfrenen

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Appointing of Healing Prayer Ministers

Presider: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth as ministers of healing prayer, that those with whom you pray may know the presence of Christ, and be strengthened for the ministry before them. **AMEN.**



The Communion Vessels

The vessels used are a chalice for wine, a paten for bread (or “host”), and a flagon for additional wine. They are placed on a square white linen cloth called a “corporal” (Latin word for “body”). The Eucharist (from the Greek meaning thanksgiving), is a sacrament at the center of Episcopal worship. A sacrament is an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace. Once we receive communion, we ourselves, then become the vessels that take the outward and visible sign of God’s love and grace into the world.

(Please stand as you are able)

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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

Mathias

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 he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

(Please stand or kneel as you are able)

Presider: 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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 Christ’s death, We proclaim Christ’s resurrection, We await Christ’s coming in glory;**

Presider: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 [_____and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**



The Ambry

The ambry is a cupboard located in the St. Mary Chapel which is at the right of the narthex (front entry of the church). It is used for reserving the consecrated elements of communion for home or hospital visits for those who cannot attend Sunday worship. A light burns near it to indicate that it contains the presence of Christ in the sacrament.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All: 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,
forever and ever. AMEN.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

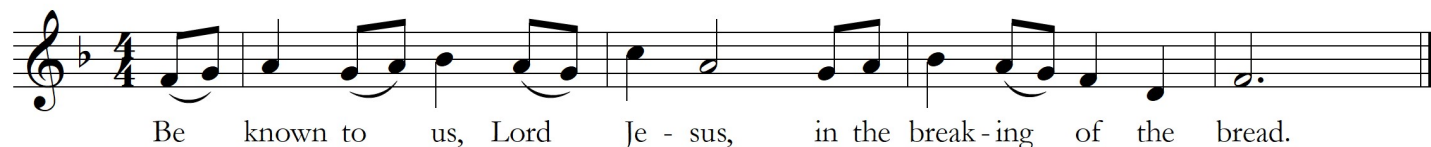
Choir: Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

Refrain (*sung by all*)



Choir: The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ.

Refrain (*sung by all*)



Choir: One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread.

Refrain (*sung by all*)



Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Holy Communion: *YOU are welcome to share in Communion.*

Holy Communion: Come forward as the ushers direct you.

When you arrive at the front you may put out your hands to receive the bread/wafer.

You may then either consume it, dip it lightly into the chalice, or take a sip of wine from the chalice.

If you prefer a blessing only - cross your arms across your chest.

If you require gluten free bread, please let the priest know when you come forward.

If you have any mobility concerns alert the usher. Clergy will bring communion to you.

Prayers for Healing are available prior to, or after receiving communion.

A minister will be available to the right of the chancel area. In this healing space, confidentiality is

honored for all shared prayer requests. Disclosures of potential harm to yourself or others, or

suspected abuse, require reporting to the proper authorities to ensure safety and well-being for all.

Should you desire further counseling, you may set up an appointment with our clergy who can assist you in finding support.

1. God the sculp-tor of the moun-tains, God the mil-ler of the sand,
 2. God the nui-sance to the Pha-raoh, God the cleav-er of the sea,
 3. God the un-ex-pect-ed in-fant, God the calm, de-ter-mined youth,
 4. God the dress-er of the vine-yard, God the plant-er of the wheat,

God the jewel-er of the heav-ens, God the pot-ter of the land:
 God the pil-lar of the dark-ness, God the bea-con of the free:
 God the ta-ble turn-ing pro-phet, God the res-ur-rect-ed Truth:
 God the reap-er of the har-vest, God the source of all we eat:

you are womb of all cre - a - tion, we are form - less; shape us now.
 you are gate of all de - liv' - rance, we are sight - less; lead us now.
 you are pres - ent ev - ery mo - ment, we are search - ing; meet us now.
 you are host at ev - ery ta - ble, we are hun - gry; feed us now.

Post Communion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. AMEN.

The Blessing

Hymn 107 (Voices Found)

Let all things now living

The Ash Grove

1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 His law he en - for - ces, the stars in their cours - es and

God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise, who fash - ioned and
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine; the hills and the

made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who still guides us
moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the deeps of the

on to the end of our days. God's ban - ners are o'er us, his
o - cean pro - claim him di - vine. We too should be voic - ing our

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light goes be - fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the
love and re - joic - ing; with glad a - dor - a - tion a song let us

night, till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is
raise till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks -

ban - ished, as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
giv - ing: "to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

The Dismissal

Deacon: Alleluia, Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, and one another.

***All:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Postlude

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*The Altar Flowers are Given to the Glory of God
In Memory of Blanche Slocum Mason
And Robert George Calvert
By Kenneth Decker*

Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:

Parishioners: Emily Townley, Samantha Ridley, Orié Bullard II, Jerry Truman, Jane Elbert, Rev. Dr. Sandra Levy-Mix, Margie Costas, Pam Dummitt, Jane and Stuart Settle, Ryn Kennedy, the Tucker family, Haig and Anne Kambourian, Kenneth Decker, Bobbie Aiken, Jo Tyler, Betty Leviner, Lisette Johnson, Mike and Margaret Franklin, Phyllis Iverson, Marsha Iverson, and Bill Piercy.

Our extended family and friends: Yvonne and the Catton Family, Colleen Abbenhause, Jane Martin, David Williams, Richard, Jeffrey Pace, Heather, Dave Chester, Rebecca Brown, Bill Northen and the Northen family, Henry, Natona, Eleanor Velez and family, Tom Johnson, Paul, Maria, Judy Hardman, Phyllis, Wendy Christiana, Val Lipari, Dawn Bitler, Curtis, Kandace, Mollie, Janice Wise, John O'Shea, Terri Humel, Everette Beach, Jennifer Downey, Mary McLenigan, Robert McLenigan, Sally Kye, Louis Morris, Andrew and Gretchen Curtain, Ron, Pam, the Dummitt family, Elizabeth and David Hardison, Ronnie, Nicholas, the Sonant family, Amy Burks, Kristy Rose, Randi Smith, Marion Broome, and Hollis Daniels.

Those who have died:

Those celebrating birthdays: especially Harold Wright, Peter Winne, Sandy Steele, and Ethan Williams.

Those celebrating anniversaries: especially Laura and Charles Hicks.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the congregation and clergy of St. Dunstan's, McLean, and St. Mary's, Goochland. Pray for All Mothers this Mother's Day.

Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer: We pray for health care in Metropolitan Richmond: For all the sick and their caregivers – doctors, nurses, hospice workers, home healthcare workers, and all who minister to the health of others. For clinics, medical personnel, and all institutions that serve persons who are uninsured or underinsured.

Names on the extended family and friends prayer list will remain for three months unless longer is requested. Please contact the office with any changes.

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Thank you for joining us.

Please let us know how we may encourage you to serve the Lord with us by filling out the “Welcome” card found in the rack in front of you and placing it in the Offering Plate.

You may also speak to any clergy or greeters following the worship service.

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