



# St Mark's

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

### love is our tradition

**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 18, 2025 Rite 2 Year C**

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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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## 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

### A Word of Welcome

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Hymn 179

*"Welcome, happy morning"*

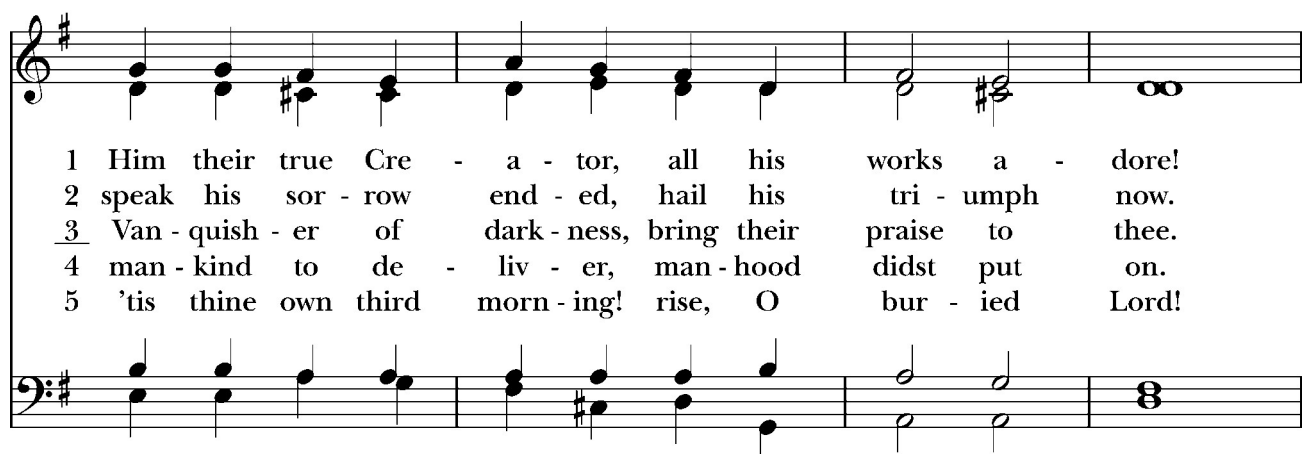
*Fortunatus*

1 "Wel - come, hap - py morn-ing!" age to age shall say:  
\*2 Earth her joy con - fess - es, cloth - ing her for spring,  
\*3 Months in due suc - ces - sion, days of length-en-ing light,  
4 Ma - ker and Re - deem - er, life and health of all,  
5 Thou, of life the au - thor, death didst un - der - go,

1 hell to - day is van - quished, heaven is won to - day!  
2 all fresh gifts re - turned with her re - turn - ing King:  
3 hours and pass - ing mo - ments praise thee in their flight.  
4 thou from heaven be - hold - ing hu - man na - ture's fall,  
5 tread the path of dark - ness, sav - ing strength to show;

1 Lo! the dead is liv - ing, God for ev - er - more!  
2 bloom in ev - ery mea - dow, leaves on ev - ery bough,  
3 Bright - ness of the morn - ing, sky and fields and sea,  
4 of the Fa - ther's God - head true and on - ly Son,  
5 come then, true and faith - ful, now ful - fill thy word,

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1 Him their true Cre - a - tor, all his works a - dore!  
 2 speak his sor - row end - ed, hail his tri - umph now.  
 3 Van - quish - er of dark - ness, bring their praise to thee.  
 4 man - kind to de - liv - er, man - hood didst put on.  
 5 'tis thine own third morn - ing! rise, O bur - ied Lord!

*Refrain*



"Wel - come, hap - py morn-ing!" age to age shall say.

6 Loose the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan's chain;  
 all that now is fallen raise to life again;  
 show thy face in brightness, bid the nations see;  
 bring again our daylight: day returns with thee!

*Refrain*

## 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.

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 Hebrew Scripture (First or Old Testament), the Psalm, and the Epistle (New or Second Testament) are read. It is a visible expression of the significance of Holy Scripture to the life of the church.

In colonial churches, the lectern was often incorporated as the middle level of a multi-tiered pulpit.

### The Collect of the Day

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

*Presider:* Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

*(Please be seated)*

### The Lessons

#### A Reading from the Book of Acts

*Acts 11:1-18*

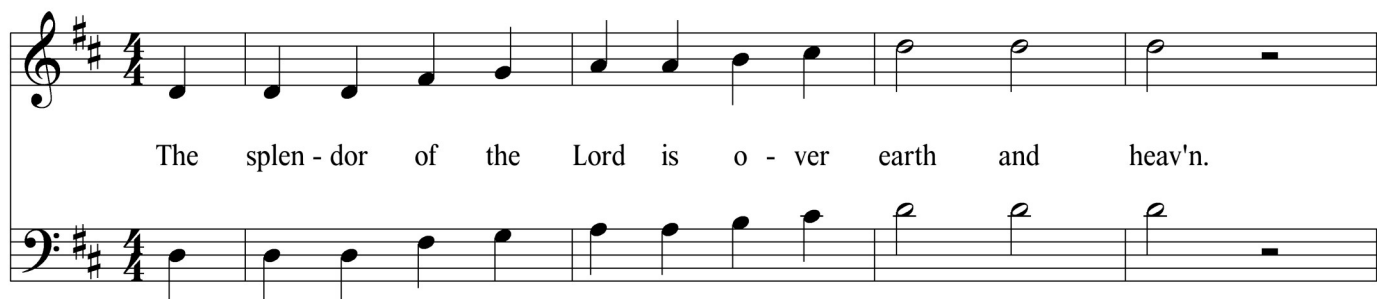
Rob McTier

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

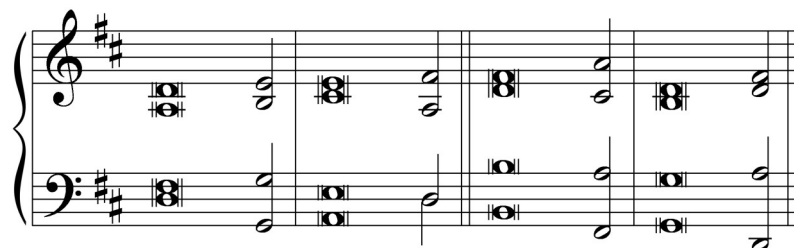
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Refrain - sung by Choir and Congregation



## Psalm tone - chanted by Choir and Congregation



Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens;  
 praise him in the heights.  
 Praise him, all you angels of his;  
 praise him, all his host.

Praise him, sun and moon;  
 praise him, all you shining stars.  
 Praise him, heaven of heavens,  
 and you waters above the heavens.

Let them praise the Name of the Lord;  
 for he commanded, and they were cre-ated.  
 He made them stand fast for ever and ever;  
 he gave them a law which shall not pass a-way.

## REFRAIN

Praise the Lord from the earth,  
 you sea-monsters and all deeps;  
 Fire and hail, snow and fog,  
 tempestuous wind, doing his will;

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Mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars;  
Wild beasts and all cattle,  
creeping things and winged birds;

Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the world;  
Young men and maidens,  
old and young to-gether.

Let them praise the Name of the Lord,  
for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.  
He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants,  
the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Halle-lujah!

## REFRAIN

### A Reading from the Revelation to John

*Revelation 21:1-6*

Tamara Orr

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as you are able)

# Hymn 577

Here in Christ we gather

Ubi caritas (Murray)

*Refrain*



God is love, and where true love is God him - self is there.



1 Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing.  
2 When we Chris - tians gath - er, mem - bers of one Bo - dy,  
3 Grant us love's ful - fill - ment, joy with all the bless - ed,



Christ, our love, is with us, glad - ness be his greet - ing.  
let there be in us no dis - cord but one spi - rit.  
when we see your face, O Sa - vior, in its glo - ry.



Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.  
Ban - ished now be an - ger, strife and ev - ery quar - rel.  
Shine on us, O pur - est Light of all cre - a - tion,

*Repeat Refrain*



Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.  
Christ, our God, be al - ways pres - ent here a - mong us.  
be our bliss while end - less a - ges sing your prais - es.





## 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 means of amplification to the congregation.

## The Gospel

*John 13:31-35*

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

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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

*Children ages 4-11 are invited to join Malinda for Children's Worship.*

*(Please be seated)*

## The Sermon

The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett



## 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.

*(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

Nick Roberts

*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. Alban's, Annandale; St. James's Richmond, and St. Stephen's Richmond. 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, Glenn 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 the Tucker family, George, George and Malinda, Sam, Haig and Anne, Jennifer, Meredith, Kenneth, Garry, Bobbie, Jo, Mike, Keith, Betty, Lisette, Becky, Steve, Margaret, Phyllis, Julette, Marsha, David, Samantha, Bill, Christy, Meer and the Kisra family, Peggy, Dave, Kim, Mary, Robert, Sally, Daniela and her family, Vanessa, Conor, Louis, Candace, Andrew and Gretchen, Debbie, Jeffrey, Sandra, Frank and family, Ron, Pam, John, Kathy, Barbara, Corey, Florence, Edward, Stefan, Olivia, Michelle, Lee, the Dummitt family, the Downey family, Elizabeth and David, Ginny, Ronnie, Nicholas, the Sonant family, Amy, Kristy, Randi, Marion, and Hollis.

*Additional petitions may be made silently or aloud.*

*Pause*

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, and those that we now name, either silently or aloud.

*Additional petitions may be made silently or aloud.*

*Pause*

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 Marguerite, Benjamin, Lisette, Matt, Jena, Tia, Nick, Keffer, Mike, and Nora, who celebrate birthdays, and David and Arielle, Suzanne and Brent, and Larry and Trudy, who celebrate anniversaries this week.

*Additional petitions may be made silently or aloud.*

*Pause*

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

## 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 (Vestry Member Scott Pennington)



### Update on Renovations:

Renovations upstairs are coming along nicely. Contingent on the timely delivery of new marble for the sanctuary, Brent hopes work on the sanctuary and nave will be complete and we will be worshipping upstairs by the end of June. The final phase of renovations focusing on the narthex will begin as soon as we have the funds in hand.

For more detailed information, please pick up a Raise to Renew booklet or speak to any member of the Capital Campaign committee.

***Pic: Current work on chancel subfloor.***





## The Altar or Holy Table

The altar is a table, usually in the sanctuary which is the space that is generally behind the altar rail, on which the bread and wine used for the eucharist (or Holy Communion or the Lord's Supper) service are consecrated.

# The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table



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## Invitation to Holy Communion

*(Remain seated)*

## Offertory

*And I Saw A New Heaven*

Text: Revelation 21:1-5

Music: Edward Bainton

*(Please stand as you are able)*

## At The Presentation, Doxology

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

*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!*



## The Communion Vessels

The Eucharist (from the Greek meaning Thanksgiving), or Holy Communion, is a sacrament at the center of Episcopal worship. A sacrament is “an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace” in the words of *The Book of Common Prayer*. 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 the corporal.

*(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 Christ’s death he has destroyed death, and by Christ’s 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 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,

**All: We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection,  
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

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 St. Mark 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 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.**

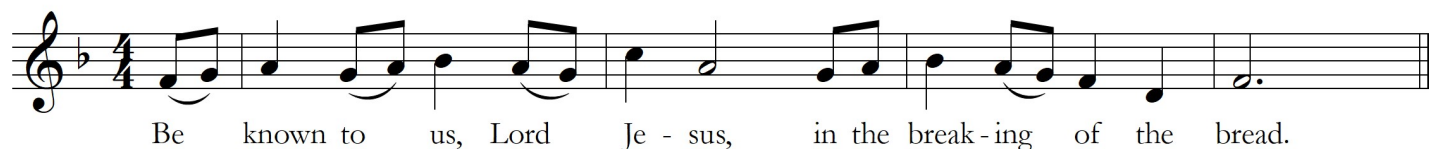
### Fraction Anthem

WLP 875 "Be known to us"

*James*

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

**Refrain** (*sung by all*)



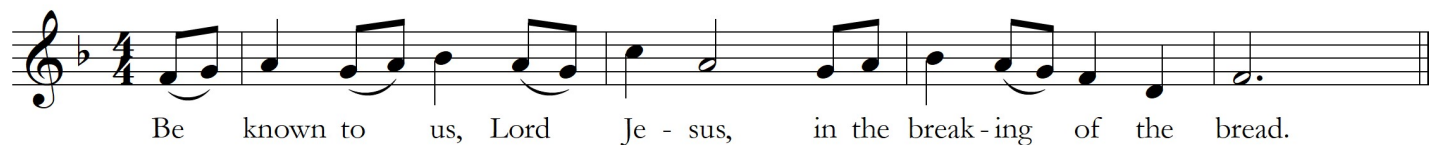
Choir: The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ.

**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 stage/chancel area.

## Communion Hymn 315

*"Thou, we at thy first Eucharist"*

Song 1

*Unison or harmony*

1 Thou, who at thy first Eu - cha - rist didst pray  
 2 For all thy Church, O Lord, we in - ter - cede;  
 3 So, Lord, at length when sac - ra - ments shall cease,

that all thy Church might be for ev - er one,  
 make thou our sad di - vi - sions soon to cease;  
 may we be one with all thy Church a - bove,

grant us at ev - ery Eu - cha - rist to say  
 draw us the near - er each to each, we plead,  
 one with thy saints in one un - bro - ken peace,

with long - ing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."  
 by draw - ing all to thee, O Prince of Peace;  
 one with thy saints in one un - bound - ed love;

O may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,  
 thus may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,  
 more bless - ed still, in peace and love to be

through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty.  
 through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty.  
 one with the Trin - i - ty in U - ni - ty.



## 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 hosts for communion in home or hospital visits for those who cannot attend Sunday worship and, in some Anglican Churches, to store the oil of chrism used for anointing. A light burns near it to indicate that it contains the sacrament.

### 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 379

*God is love*

*Abbot's Leigh*

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### The Dismissal

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

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

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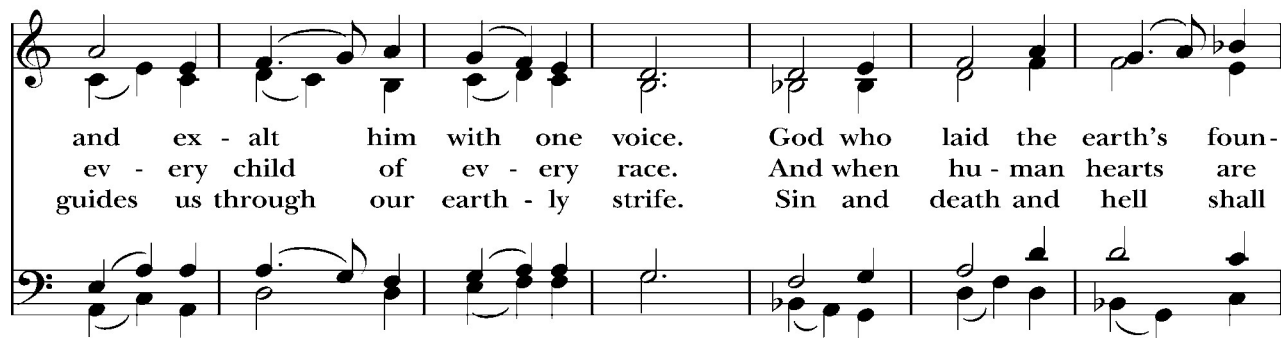
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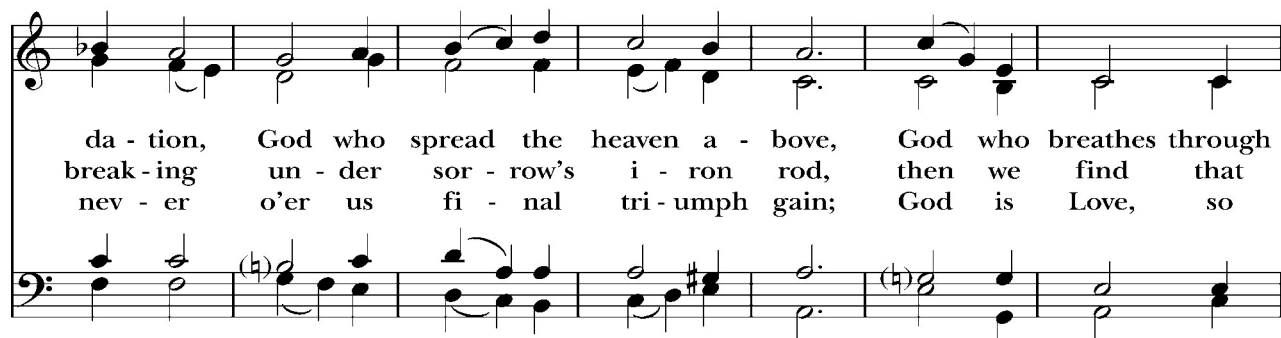
1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let  
 2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in  
 3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all



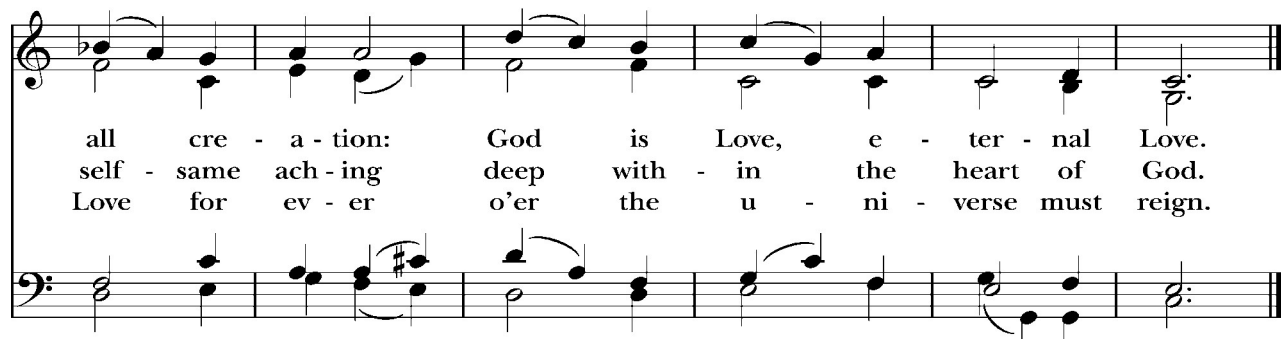
earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him  
 one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,  
 hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness



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.

***Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:***

Parishioners: the Tucker family, George Summers, George and Malinda Collier, Sam Shute, Haig and Anne Kambourian, Jennifer McCauley, Meredith Franklin, Kenneth Decker, Garry Land, Bobbie Aiken, Jo Tyler, Mike Craft, Keith MacKay, Betty Leviner, Lisette Johnson, Becky Lee, Steve Row, Margaret Franklin, Phyllis Iverson, Juetta Iverson, Marsha Iverson, David Christiana, Samantha Ridley, and Bill Piercy.

Our extended family and friends: Christy Fiedler, Meer and the Kisra family, Peggy Keating, Dave Brooks, Kim Smith, Mary McLenigan, Robert McLenigan, Sally Kye, Daniela and her family, Vanessa Clemons, Conor, Louis Morris, Candace Franco, Andrew and Gretchen Curtain, Debbie Abernathy, Jeffrey Matthews, Sandra Painter, Frank Eberly and family, Ron, Pam, John Golden III, Kathy, Barbara Taylor, Corey Sims, Florence, Edward, Stefan, Olivia, Michelle, Lee Hyden (Anne Kambourian's daughter), the Dummitt family, the Downey family, Elizabeth and David Hardison, Ginny Jones, Ronnie, Nicholas, the Sonant family, Amy Burks, Kristy Rose, Randi Smith, Marion Broome, and Hollis Daniels.

Those who have died:

Those celebrating birthdays: especially Marguerite Downey, Benjamin Downey, Lisette Johnson, Matt Fraser, Jena Cilyk, Tia Cilyk, Nick Roberts, Keffer Hensel-Smith, Mike Evranian, and Nora Thompson.

Those celebrating anniversaries: especially David and Arielle Neimeyer, Suzanne Long and Brent Graves, and Larry and Trudy McCarty.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the congregation and clergy of St. Alban's, Annandale; St. James's Richmond, and St. Stephen's Richmond.

Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer: We pray for health care in Metropolitan Richmond: For emergency response personnel and all emergency room staff. For hospitals, nursing homes, and hospice programs. For persons diagnosed with chronic illness.

***Please inform the office of any changes to the prayer list.***



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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 The Breaking of the Bread        |
| - The Peace                        | - Holy Communion                                   |
|                                    | - The Post-Communion Prayer                        |
|                                    | - Blessing and Dismissal                           |

### Terms for Those Who Help With Worship:

*Celebrant, Presider, Officiant:* A priest, bishop, or deacon who presides at the liturgy.

*Deacon:* A person ordained to the diaconate can help with reading the gospel, leading the Prayers of the People, leading the Confession, setting the Altar at Offertory, distributing Communion, cleaning up after Communion, or the Dismissal.

*Crucifer:* Someone who carries the processional cross.

*Acolyte:* Literally this means "torch-bearer."

*Lay Eucharistic Ministers:* Lay people who have been authorized by the Bishop and the Rector to help distribute Communion, usually by being *chalice-bearers*.

*Book-bearer:* The person who carries the Gospel Book in procession and holds it during the Gospel Reading.

*Preacher:* A person who gives a sermon or homily.

*Lector:* A person who reads a lesson from the Bible.

*Intervenor:* A person who leads the Prayers of the People.

*Oblation-bearers:* Those who bring up the gifts of bread and wine at Offertory.

*Ushers:* Those who help people find their seat and the bulletin, who collect the offering and present it, and who help direct people during Communion.

*Greeters:* Those who, after the Dismissal, welcome new people and invite them to coffee and social time.

*Altar Guild:* The team of people who help prepare the Altar area and are responsible for cleaning the vessels and linens.

*Floral Guild:* Those who create the floral arrangements for worship.

***All are Welcome Here***

*Diverse, Urban, Eucharist Centered, Service-Oriented*

**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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