

# SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**MAY 22, 2022 --10:00AM**

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*Announcements*

*Prelude*

*Please stand at the ringing of the bell*

**Entrance Hymn**  
#5

**"Let all things now living"**

**Renew Songbook**

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.**

## **Song of Praise**

refrain

This is the feast of vic-tor-y for our God. Al-le lu - ia, al-le  
lu-ia, al-le - lu - ia. Wor - thy is Christ the Lamb who was slain, whose  
Sing - with all the peo - ple of God, and

final refrain

blood sets us free to be peo - ple of God. This is the feast of  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - - tion.

vic-tor-y for our God. Al-le lu - ia, al-le lu-ia, al-le - lu - - ia!

Text: Rev. 5: 12-13; adapt. John W. Arthur (1922-1980) Music: *Festival Canticle*; Richard Hillert (b. 1923)  
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The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

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.**

### ***The Lessons***

*A reading from Acts 16:9-15*

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Psalm 67 (Read responsively by whole verse)*

1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*  
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

**2 Let your ways be known upon earth, \***  
**our saving health among all nations.**

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.

**4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \***  
**for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.**

5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.

**6 The earth has brought forth her increase; \***  
**may God, our own God, give us his blessing.**

7 May God give us his blessing, \*  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

*A reading from Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5*

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Standing*

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu -  
jah! Hal-le, hal-le-hal - le - lu - jah! Hal-le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

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*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according John*  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*John 5:1-9*

After Jesus healed the son of the official in Capernaum, there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids-- blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The Sermon The Rev. Dr. Brent Norris*

*Standing*

*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 Form VI***

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

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, and Russell, our Bishop and all bishops and other ministers;

***For all who serve God in his Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

***For your mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

***And praise your Name for ever and ever.***

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

***Who put their trust in you.***

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

***Leader and People***

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown,**

**things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life,**

**to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.*

*Standing*

The peace of Christ be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*The Offertory*

**Offertory Hymn**

***“Great is thy faithfulness”***

***Renew Songbook #249***

**The Presentation**

All who hun-ger, sing to geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread. Come from wild-er -  
ness and wan-d'ring, here in truth we will be fed. Blest are those who from this tab - le  
live their lives in grati - tude. Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

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# The Holy Communion

*Standing*

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 him 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 sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven 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. \_\_\_\_\_

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

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*The people remain standing or kneel*

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 in subjection under 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

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
**Therefore, let us keep the feast, Alleluia.**

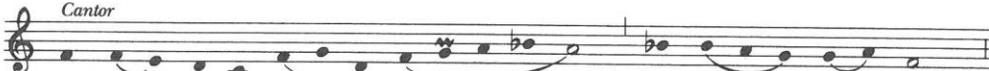
### Fraction anthem

*Cantor; then All*



The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

*Cantor*



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

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### Invitation to Communion

*Presider*

Jesus said: I am the living bread that came down from heaven. He now gives this living bread to you, so that you may dwell in him and he in you. Come, the feast is prepared. Christ, the host, waits to meet you here.

## The Communion of the People

### Communion Hymn

**“He’s got the whole world in his hands”**

**1. He’s got the whole world in his hands.  
He’s got the whole wide world in his hands.  
He’s got the whole world in his hands.  
He’s got the whole world in his hands.**

**2. He’s got the wind and the rain in his hands.  
He’s got the wind and the rain in his hands.  
He’s got the wind and the rain in his hands.  
He’s got the whole world in his hands.**

**3. He’s got the little bitty baby in his hands.  
He’s got the little bitty baby in his hands.  
He’s got the little bitty baby in his hands.  
He’s got the whole world in his hands.**

**4. He’s got ev’rybody in his hands.  
He’s got ev’rybody in his hands.  
He’s got ev’rybody in his hands.  
He’s got the whole world in his hands.**

**Text: African-American Spiritual**

**Music: African-American Spiritual Post communion prayer**

Let us pray.

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

### The Blessing

#### Dismissal Hymn

**“I sing the mighty power of God”**

**Renew Songbook**

**#54**

*The Dismissal*

Go in peace to love and serve the Risen Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*For healing:* Al, Amy, Ashley, Ben, Bernice, Bill, Bob, Buddy, Carol, Cindy, Clay, Daniel, Dave, Dennis, Diane, Donna, Elaine, Esther, Evelyn, Francis, Frank, Fred, Freda, Gail, Jack, Jeff, Jenny, Jerry, John, Judith, Judy, Karin, Kate, Kathy, Kim, Kirsten, Kristi, Larry, LaVerne, Leigh, Linda, Lynn, Madelyn, Margaret, Marilyn, Marty, Mary Ann, Massey, Mel, Mendel, Mike, Milton, Myrna, Nancy, Natalie, Nelda, Nicolas, Pat, Patrick, Peggy, Ralph, Rita, Robert, Roger, Ron, Rose, Sandy, Sarah, Sherry, Steve, Terry, Tom, Tommy, Tony, Vera, Wayne and those who care for them.

*For those in prison:* for the prisoners, staff and families of prisoners and staff at Camden Work Release, Camden, AL.

*For birthdays:* Ronan Goodson and Brooke Kelly.

## SAINT PAUL'S THIS WEEK

### TODAY

- 7:30 am-Holy Eucharist
- 9 am-Christian Formation
- 10 am-Holy Eucharist
- 7 pm-NAR-NON & NA Open Meetings

### MONDAY

- 8 pm-AA

### TUESDAY

- 10 am- Bible Study "**Seven First Words of the Risen Christ**" led by Ralph Buck & Pastor Brent

### WEDNESDAY

- 10:30 am-Rector's Bible Study
- Noon Eucharist with Healing
- 7 pm-NA-Open Meeting

### THURSDAY

- 4 pm-Women's Bible Study
- 6 pm-AA Meeting
- 8 pm-AA Open meeting

### SATURDAY

- 10 am-AA Meeting

## **SAVE THE DATE FOR THE PENTECOST PICNIC ON JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup>**

Pentecost Picnic on June 5<sup>th</sup> after the 10 am service. The service will be outside and after we will celebrate Pentecost with food, games for the children and fellowship. Hotdogs and hamburgers will be provided. Everyone is asked to bring a side to share. (There will be the normal 7:30 service indoors)

## **SUMMER FEEDING PROGRAM RETURNS SUNDAY, MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>**

Saint Paul's once again joins with Foley Elementary School and others to feed children this summer. We've committed to feeding students who might otherwise not have a meal. We provide each child breakfast, lunch, and healthy snack for 5 days each week all summer. Please sign up in the parish hall or let the church office know how you would like to be a part of this important summer ministry. Financial contributions are always welcome and needed. For more information and details contact Katherine Allen.

## **REMEMBER ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES WHEN YOU SHOP**

Cake mix, brownie mix, Asian meals, Hispanic meals, and laundry detergent.

## ***RECYCLE PROGRAM FOR THE BUILDING FUND***

We can earn money for the church repairs by bringing our cans to church and placing them in the bin by the office on the Orchid St. side. There is no need to remove labels or wash or crush the cans. Donnie Bobe will take them to the recycling center and the money will be used for repairs. Contact Meg Scott or Donnie Bobe with questions.

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**The Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 22, 2022**

**Hymns**

**Let All Things Now Living**

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**Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

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**He's Got the Whole World in His Hand**

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**I Sing the Mighty power of God**

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**Service Music**

***This is the feast***

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Tune: *Festival Canticle*, Richard Hillier, (b. 1923)  
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***Halle, halle, halle***

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***All who hunger***

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***Sanctus***

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***The disciples knew the Lord Jesus***

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