

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mothers' Day

May 9, 2021, 10:00 a.m.



Please take a moment to silence your cellphone. Thank you.

Important Covid Safety Reminders

In acknowledgement of our love and commitment to our faith community, we remind you that face masks must be worn at all times at St. Francis. They must cover your mouth *and* nose. Please also keep a minimum of 6 ft distance from those not in your immediate household, regardless of your own immunization status.

Please also note that we are publicly livestreaming our worship service.

We are in the season of Eastertide, a period of fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday. Eastertide season is celebrated as a single joyful feast, indeed as the "great Lord's Day". Each Sunday of the season is treated as a Sunday of Easter, and, after the Sunday of the Resurrection, they are named Second Sunday of Easter, Third Sunday of Easter, etc. up to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, while the whole fifty-day period concludes with Pentecost Sunday. The season is marked with white vestments, extra candles, and the presence of the paschal candle near the altar. We include more alleluias, and The Confession of Sin is absent.

The Word of God

Prelude

I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes

John Rutter

Please STAND, as able.

Please do NOT join in singing.

Diocesan safety requirements currently prohibit congregational singing regardless of covid or vaccination status.

We thank you all for your regard to fellow-worshippers, clergy and staff.

Processional Hymn

All Creatures of Our God and King

Hymn #400, v. 1, 3, 7

Singers:

Carolyn Carpenter, Suzanne Miller, Laura Snow, Lenita Witherspoon, Susie Zimmerman

All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
4 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -
sing; Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing sun with gold - en beams, pale
hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in - tense and fierce - ly bright, you
9 ness, O__ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the Fa - ther, praise the Son, and
sil - ver moon that gent - ly gleams, O__ praise him, O__ praise him, Al - le -
give to us both warmth and light,
13 praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Celebrants: The Rev. Jude Lyons, The Rev. Jerry Sather
Preacher: Ms. Lauren Sams, *Graduating High School Senior*

The Opening Acclamation
Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

A † appears in the margin where you may wish to make the sign of the cross over your body. Making the sign of the cross is a choice left to each worshipper. It is simply a way to engage your entire body (not just your speech and mind) in worship and physically to signify embracing the blessing of God.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Let us pray.

**All 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.**

Please remain STANDING, as able, join in saying,

The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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.**

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson Acts 10:44-48

Mr. Trace Basich, *Graduating High School Senior*

1st Reader A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

1st Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

The Response Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino*

Reader Let us read together from Psalm 98

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The LORD has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the LORD with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the LORD.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

Please STAND, as able.

The Holy Gospel John 15:9-17

✠ Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated for

✠ The Sermon

Ms. Lauren Sams, *Graduating High School Senior*

There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.

Please STAND as able, and join in saying,

The Nicene Creed

All 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 human.

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.

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.

Please remain STANDING, as able, for

The Prayers of the People

Leader: O God of Love, on behalf of our parish family,
we give thanks for all those who have loved us with a Mother's love.

All: Hear our Prayer

We pray for all the women of St. Francis Church. May they continue to share their love in all they do for us and for our neighbors.

All: Hear our Prayer

We pray for all people to work together for peace, inspire one another to good deeds, and encourage one another in the risen Jesus.

All: Hear our Prayer

We pray for the just and proper use of your creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

All: Hear our Prayer

Bless our civil and religious leaders, that they may be guided by your wisdom and grace so that there may be justice and peace on earth.

All: Hear our Prayer

Protect those who protect us, especially first responders, medical and other essential workers, and those in our armed and foreign services and their families, especially Drew Deley, Michael Herredia, Mark Kappelmann, Maia and Tom Lainis, Will Piepenbring, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve, and all the thousands whose names we do not know.

All: Hear our Prayer

We pray for all who are suffering in body, mind or soul, especially Andrea, Barbara, Bob and Jane Africano, Claudia, Nancy Christianson, Mark Duley, Pauline Duley, Darlene Endquist, Ceri Falk, Ann Godfrey, Frances Hailwood, Ashley Hawn, Femi Knight, Sally Hill, Shelby Martyniak, John McCabe, Michael, Mike Mohuchi, Molly, Marjorie Morris, Karla Nicole, Lisa Rieger, Annie Ross, Bruce Schaefer, Anne Sharp, Sue, Ted Wong, Joan Youd, Jennifer Zimmerman, Kenneth and Jean Dicus, and all those we name to you now...

(Please add your prayers either silently or aloud).

Your mercy endures forever.

All: Hear our Prayer

We pray for all those suffering from recent storms, or from abuse or violence of any kind.

All: Hear our Prayer

We give thanks for all the blessings of this life and the grace we've been given to face our challenges...

(Please add your prayers either silently or aloud).

All: Hear our Prayer

We pray O God, for you to bring eternal life to those we love but see no longer, especially those

we name to you now ...*(Please add your prayers either silently or aloud.)*

All: Hear our Prayer

Celebrant Receive these prayers, O Gracious God, and all other prayers living in our hearts this day.

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks.

The Confession of Sin is omitted during the 50 days of the Easter season.

Please STAND, as able, for

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Ministers and People exchange signs of peace in the name of the Lord.

Remember to observe physical distancing.

Please be seated.

Welcome

The Holy Communion

Please remain seated for the Anthem. For the offertory, collection baskets will be placed at the exit of the church as you leave.

Please follow instructions from the Ushers.

Offertory Anthem

One Bread, One Body

Hymn #151

Refrain:

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,

One cup of blessing which we bless.

And we, though many, throughout the earth,

We are one body in this one Lord.

Verse 1: Gentile of Jew, servant or free, woman or man no more.

Colin Snow

Verse 2: Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

Susan Tsuji

Verse 3: Grain for the fields, scattered and grown gathered to one for all.

Lloyd Mistele

Singers:

Mark Bennett, L. J. Clark, Lloyd Mistele, Colin Snow, Susan Tsuji

Please STAND, as able,

The Offertory Prayers

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which the earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Heaven and the Cup of Salvation.

People Blessed be God forever.

Celebrant Receive, O Lord, all these gifts presented by your holy people for the work of your holy Church.

People Blessed be God forever.

The Great Thanksgiving

Adapted from St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church, San Francisco

The people join in reading the parts in bold.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Please say together,

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Glory be to you, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel or STAND as you prefer.

The Celebrant continues. The People join in reading the text in bold.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. You make all things and call them good. You love us into being; you form us in your image; and breathe into us the breath of life. When we turn away, and our love fails, your love remains steadfast. You deliver us from captivity, and bring us to a land flowing with milk and honey.

In Christ you have set before us the way of life. By his baptism of suffering and death you give your church birth into a living hope.

Raising Jesus from the dead, you make a new covenant with us, by water and the Spirit, and deliver us into freedom. We who were no people are now your people, declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ, who calls us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

On the night when he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, 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."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said, "Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, **do this for the remembrance of me."**

On the third day you raised him from the dead and revealed him to the women who came to the tomb to care for his body. On that day he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of bread. And so, remembering these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves as a holy and living sacrifice, and we praise you and we bless you.

All We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you Lord our God.

✠ Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in loving service to all the world, until all feast at your heavenly banquet.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 forever. **Amen.**

Celebrant Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray as our Savior Christ has taught us,
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 consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Invitation To Pray Together The Spiritual Communion Prayer From The National Cathedral

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

Celebrant Let us pray together

All My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

Communion (bread only) will be distributed as you exit the church. Please follow the Ushers' instructions

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and gave yourself to die on the cross for our salvation: Give us that same humility, and that same spirit of self-giving love, so we may faithfully follow you and proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

A Prayer for Transition

All Dear God, thank you for your eternal eyes which always find the right path. Please share this vision with the vestry to guide them through the trails and trials of the search process. Bless them with both patience and perseverance as they look for the priest who will embrace us and our mission statement and strengthen our church family. Amen *(by Liz Cantine)*

An Easter Blessing

Celebrant God our Creator, whose love raised Christ from the dead; God the Son, who in bursting from the grave has given you new joy in an Easter faith; God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord, empower and fill you with Christ's peace. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

The Sending Forth

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.



Please STAND, as able, but do NOT join in singing

The Closing Hymn

This Is My Father's World

Hymn #293 (PH), v. 1, 2

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are as follows:

1. This is my Fath - er's world, and to my list - 'ning ears, all that
This is my Fath - er's world, Oh, let me ne'er for - get that

6. na - ture sings, and 'round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres. This
'though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ru - ler yet. This

10. is my Fath - er's world: I rest me in the thought of
is my Fath - er's world: The bat - tle is not done; Je -

14. rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.
sus who died shall be sat - is - fied, and earth and heav'n be one.

Words by Matbie Babcock, 1901 TERRA BEATA by Franklin L Sheppard, 1915

Singers: Mark Bennett, L. J. Clark, Lloyd Mistele, Susan Tsuji

Pease remain in your seat and wait for the Ushers' instructions in order to leave the church.

Postlude

Allegro

Theodore Dubois