



GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 9, 2021
Morning Prayer, Rite 2

Book of Common Prayer

PRELUDE *Voluntary on "All Creatures of Our God and King" (EH 400) - arr. D. Phillip*

GREETING

OPENING SENTENCE

You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. ~ *Acts 1:8*

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

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Officiant: Lord open our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

GLORIA (All) **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:**
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

ANTIPHON **Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed:**
Come let us adore Him. Alleluia!

VENITE *In unison*

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HYMN *Chorale and Variations on " Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" - arr. R. Powell*

PSALM 98 *Responsively by whole verse*

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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.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

A READING FROM 1 JOHN 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE J ~ A Song of Judith (16:13-16)

In unison

(Enriching Our Worship I)

**I will sing a new song to my God,
for you are great and glorious, wonderful in strength, invincible.
Let the whole creation serve you,
for you spoke and all things came into being.
You sent your breath and it formed them,
no one is able to resist your voice.
Mountains and seas are stirred to their depths,
rocks melt like wax at your presence.
But to those who fear you,
you continue to show mercy.
No sacrifice, however fragrant, can please you,
but whoever fears the Lord shall stand in your sight for ever.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF JOHN 15:9-17

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."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE 17 ~ *The Song of Simeon* *In unison* **Pg. 93**

REFLECTION

A TIME OF SILENCE – *A bell will sound three times.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE APOSTLE'S CREED **Pg. 96**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *traditional* **Pg. 97**

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THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY **Pg. 225**

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.**

COLLECT #3 FOR ROGATION DAYS **Pg. 259**

COLLECT FOR PEACE **Pg. 99**

COLLECT FOR GRACE **Pg. 100**

WE PRAY FOR ALL OF WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THE COVID-19 VIRUS -- THOSE WHO ARE SICK, THOSE WHO'VE DIED, AND THOSE WHO MOURN.

Silence

AS WE PRAYERS FOR THE FOLKS ON OUR PRAYER LIST ...

for all who are traveling, especially **Josey Parker** and **Cameron Klass** ...

and those with special needs:

Mark Adkins, **Chris** Alexander, **Cora** Alexander, **Bobby** Allgood, **Amanda** Amon, **Ella** Asebes, **Alice** Brandon & family, **Baylee** Brown, **Andrea** Cain, **Donna** Campbell, **Stella** Cappel, **Russell** Cinque, **Lynne** Cleckley, **Becky** Clodfelter, **Richard** Cooper, **Morgan** Curia, **Barbara** Dixon, **Johanna** Dresser, **Suzanne** Eller, **Mark** Frye, **Aubrie** Gallen, **Shana** Garland, **Marlon** Gaskins, **Susan** Gibson, **Holly** Gray, **Jan** Greer, **Jane** Grimes, **George** Hanna, **Rob** Hare, **Kristen** Harris, **Elizabeth** Harvey, **Nancy** Hinkle, **Joe** Koontz, **Chris and Mike** Hodges, **Jon** Huff, **Nancy** Hutchins, **Brinkley** Johnson, **Anne** King, **Lindsay** Layfield, **Cara** Lee, **Lynn** Mack, **Carol** May, **Kate** McKenzie, **Nicholas** Melomo, **Molly** Michael, **Roan** Mitchell, **Dan & Fran** Moore, **O'Lema** Morgan, **Page** Onorato, **Lynn** Parsley, **Gabby** Plott, **Bob** Reed, **Jacklyn** Rojas, **Suzy** Sheets, **Talmadge** Silversides, **Amy** Burkhart Smith, **Dan Griff** Smith, **Martha Ellen** Smith, **Louise** Snyder, **Clarice and Henry** Surratt, **Robin** Tilley, **Jackie** Touchton, **Toni** Underwood, **Kathy** Watson, **Frances** Welch, **Courtney** Weller, **Susan** Whetmore, **Flynn** Williams, and **Charlotte** Young.

✦ *At this time, you may offer your prayers in the comments bar on Facebook so that we may pray with you through the week.*

HYMN

This is My Father's World (EH 651) - E. Broughton

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM *In unison*

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DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and further us with your continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy Name, and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

Earth and All Stars (EH 412) - D. Johnson

Service Leader: Joe Wallace **Lector:** Russ Johnson
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