



St. George's
Episcopal Church

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

LITURGY OF THE WORD, RITE II

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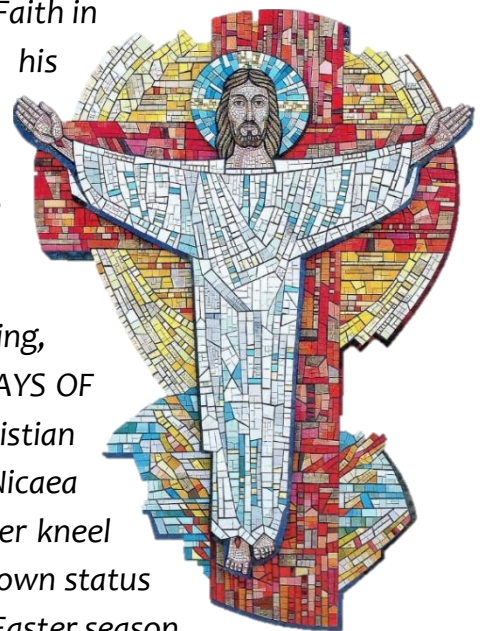
The Rev. Kevin LJ Schubert, Rector The Rev. Jim Enelow, Deacon Ms. Mi-Young Kim, Music Director

The mission of St. George's Episcopal Church is to worship God and share our faith through word, action, and service.

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE WITH US. In this difficult and uncertain time, our commitment to one another as the Body of Christ is more important than ever. We are blessed to be able to join together in prayer, even as we are unable to be together in person as we would wish. Our online services are all available from the [Online Worship](#) page of our website.

EASTER is the feast of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faith in Jesus' resurrection on the Sunday or third day following his crucifixion is at the heart of Christian belief. In the northern hemisphere, Easter sets the experience of springtime next to the ancient stories of deliverance and the proclamation of the risen Christ.

Easter is not merely one day, but a season of fifty days of rejoicing, culminating on the Day of Pentecost. During the GREAT FIFTY DAYS OF EASTER, our worship will reflect the earliest traditions of Christian worship, omitting the usual Prayer of Confession. The Council of Nicaea in 325 declared during the Easter season, Christians would neither kneel nor fast, instead focusing on the joy of the resurrection and our own status as a redeemed Easter people. May God bless you throughout the Easter season.



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING HYMN

This Joyful Eastertide

H 192

Verses

1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and sor - row! My
 2 Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Je - sus crossed the riv - er: Lord
 3 My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a sea - son slum - ber, till

Refrain

Love, the Cru - ci - fied, hath sprung to life this mor - ow.
 of all life, from ill my pas - sing life de - liv - er. Had Christ, that once was
 trump from east to west shall wake the dead in num - ber.

slain, ne'er burst his three-day pris - on, our faith had been in vain; but now is Christ a -

ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en.

Words: George R. Woodward (1848-1934), alt.
 Music: Vreuchten, melody from *Psalmen*, 1685; harm. Charles Wood (1866-1926).

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
 People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Officiant 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.

People **Amen.**

GLORIA

H S280

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

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 225

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

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.

People **Amen.**

FIRST READING**ACTS 7:55-60**

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

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

PSALM 31:1-5,15-16**IN TE, DOMINE, SPERAVI**

Please join in reading the psalm in unison.

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; *
deliver me in your righteousness.**
- 2 Incline your ear to me; *
make haste to deliver me.**
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.**
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, *
for you are my tower of strength.**
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
for you have redeemed me, O LORD, O God of truth.**
- 15 My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.**
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me.**

SECOND LESSON**1 PETER 2:2-10**

Reader A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious;
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the very head of the corner,”

and

“A stone that makes them stumble,
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,
but now you are God’s people;
once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

Come My Way, My Truth, My Life

H 487

1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a
 2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a
 3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a

way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all
 light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in
 joy as none can move; such a love as none can

strife; such a life as kill - - eth death.
 length; such a strength as makes his guest.
 part; such a heart as joys in love.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 14:1-14

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

Jesus said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
 People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

GOSPEL ALLELUIA

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

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THE SERMON

THE REV. KEVIN LJ SCHUBERT

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BCP 358

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.

THE PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

BCP 387

Deacon Father, we pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya, and all your holy Catholic Church;
People **That we all may be one.**

Deacon Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Deacon We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Hector, and Kai our bishops; Kevin
our rector; Jim our deacon; and all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Deacon We pray for Donald, our President; Greg, our Governor; and all who govern and hold
authority in the nations of the world;
People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Deacon Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Deacon Have compassion on Pat, Stephen, Sister Mary Jean, Ann, Amber, Gladys, Charles, Ralph,
Kirk, Ann, Makena, Polly, Divesh, Bailey, Melinda, Hans, Mary, Martha, Pam, Ben, Gail,
Colleen, José, Tom, Michael, Alfred, Valerie, all those suffering from COVID-19, and on all
those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Deacon Give to those who have died from COVID-19 and all the departed eternal rest;
People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Deacon We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Deacon Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

(The People may add their own petitions.)

Officiant O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on Chloe, Charlie, Jen, Carolyn,
and on all your servants who begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and
grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

(The Officiant adds a concluding Collect.)

THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

Officiant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
People **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 EASTER BLESSING

NEW ZEALAND PRAYER BOOK 538

Officiant God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever.
People **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

H 680

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne, thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;
6 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,

our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - p'ning day.
be thou our guide while life shall last, and our e - ter - nal home.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 90:1-5.
Music: St. Anne, melody att. William Croft (1678-1727), alt., harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt.

DISMISSAL

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

POSTLUDE **Prelude in Preludium unde Fuga in F Major, BWV 556** **MI-YOUNG KIM, ORGAN**
(Johann Sebastian Bach)

After the service, regardless of which method of accessing the service you have been using, you are invited to join the [Zoom link](#) (password: risen), for a brief time of fellowship with other St. George's parishioners.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

For those who are sick or facing medical issues, especially:

Pat Beckham	Ann Kauppi	Pam Schubert
Stephen Blood	Makena Landgraf	Ben Sears
Sister Mary Jean Bludau	Polly Littrell	Gail Snyder
Ann Casstevens	Divesh Manohar	Colleen Stark
Amber Dupuy	Bailey McKennon	José Trejo Tirado
Gladys Dykes	Melinda Mendez	Tom Wooten
Charles Foster	Hans Mueller	Michael Worcester
Ralph Hausser	Mary Parker	All those suffering from
Kirk Hoffman	Martha Sahs	COVID-19

For those who have died and their families, especially

All those who have died from COVID-19

For those facing difficult circumstances, especially:

Alfred Davalos Valerie McKesson Lara

For those serving in the armed forces and their families, especially:

Zach Mertz Dustin Worcester Maddison Worcester

Those who celebrate birthdays, especially:

Chloe Metcalf (May 13) Jen Spencer (May 15)
Charlie Wagner (May 13) Carolyn Porter (May 16)

Those who celebrate anniversaries

In the Anglican cycle of prayer:

Anglican Church of Kenya
The Most Reverend Jackson Ole Sapit, Primate

In the Diocese of Texas cycle of prayer:

All Saints', Hitchcock
Good Shepherd, Friendswood
Grace, Alvin

Names can be added to this list by emailing Jennifer at stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com.

THE BANNER – May 10, 2020

- ❖ **VIRTUAL “COFFEE HOUR”** – Immediately after the service each Sunday, several parishioners have been using the service’s [Zoom link](#) (password: risen) to share a brief time of fellowship. Regardless of which method you use to access the service, you are invited to use the Zoom link to join this virtual coffee hour – with or without coffee!
- ❖ **WEDNESDAY WEAVINGS** – The Wednesday Weavings adult discussion group will gather **this Wednesday, May 13th, for a Zoom meeting from 7:00 to 8:00 pm**. All are welcome to join the group for a service of Compline and a discussion of the evening’s reading from the Forward Movement publication, *The Social Justice Bible Challenge*. Frances Rickard will send out the Zoom invitation prior to the meeting to the group’s email list; to be added to the email list or with any other questions, contact Frances at fajrickard@gmail.com. We hope you can join us!
- ❖ **CELEBRATING OUR GRADUATES** – On **Sunday, May 24th**, St. George’s will offer a special liturgy at to celebrate those graduating or moving forward in their educational journey. We will offer a blessing for those who are graduating from high school, college, or any other certificate or degree program. If you or your child are graduating from any such program, please contact Jennifer Joslyn-Siemiatkoski in the church office at stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com so that we can honor them during the service.
- ❖ **GIVING TO ST. GEORGE’S** – We are grateful for your financial support as we navigate new ways to stay connected in these challenging times. Your gifts enable us to use modern technology to connect to each other, as well as to continue to pay our ongoing expenses, including salaries. If you have been giving to St. George’s by putting a check or cash in the plate on Sundays, please consider giving online by clicking the DONATE button on the Stewardship page of the church’s website: www.sgchurch.org/stewardship. You can set up regular weekly or monthly donation using a credit card or a bank account. Thank you for your generosity.
- ❖ **CHRISTOPHER HOUSE BASKETS** – Christopher House Volunteer Coordinator Philip has asked that we reduce our deliveries to just one basket per week. Shelter-in-place rules have limited them to six patients at a time and only one visiting family member per patient. Since fewer family members are there to get baskets, the baskets may sit a while before being delivered, so no perishable items should be included. The delivery method has also slightly changed. Park in the back of the building as always, but you may need to ring the bell to get admitted to the courtyard. Someone will meet you at the door and take delivery of your basket. Philip stressed again how much the baskets mean to the recipients, and that all the items are appreciated.

FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon, May 11	<i>Johann Arndt and Jacob Boehme, Mystics, 1621 and 1624</i>
Wed, May 13	<i>Frances Perkins, Social Reformer, 1965</i>
Fri, May 15	<i>Pachomius of Tabenissi, Monastic, 348</i>
Sun, May 17	<i>Thurgood Marshall, Public Servant, 1993</i>

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMON LIFE

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

BCP 260

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

BCP 460

Sanctify, O Lord, those whom you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing, and to the prevention of disease and pain. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that by their ministries the health of the community may be promoted and your creation glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR A PERSON UNABLE TO TAKE THE EUCHARIST

Written by St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787

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.



THOSE WHO SERVE

Officiant/Preacher – The Rev. Kevin Schubert

Lector – Raul Carrera

Vestry Person of the Day – Josh Beckham

Organist/Pianist – Mi-Young Kim

Singers – Stephanie Craven, Jan Phillips

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