



**St. George's**  
Episcopal Church

# THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## LITURGY OF THE WORD, RITE II

**MAY 24, 2020**  
**10:30 AM**

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

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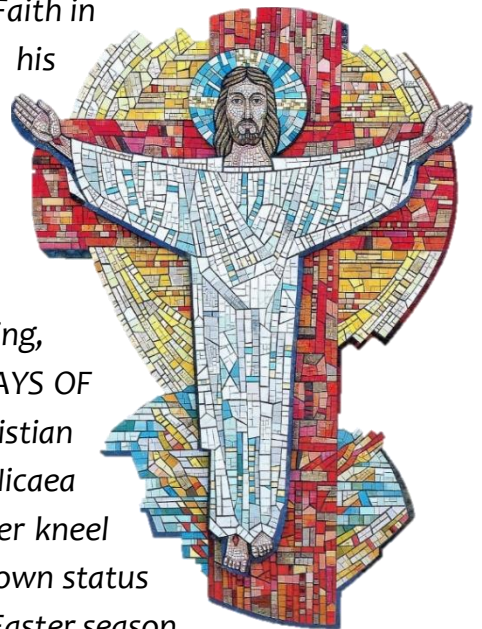
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*WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE WITH US. In this difficult and uncertain time, our commitment to one another as the Body of Christ is more important than ever. We are blessed to be able to join together in prayer, even as we are unable to be together in person 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

*Come Away to the Skies*

G 316



1 Come a - way to the skies, my be - lov - ed, a -  
 2 Now with sing - ing and praise, let us spend all the  
 3 For the glo - ry we were first cre - at - ed to  
 4 We with thanks do ap - prove the de - sign of that  
 5 Hal - le - lu - jah we sing, to our Fa - ther and



rise and re - joice in the day you were born; \_\_\_\_\_  
 days, by our heav - en - ly Fa - ther be - stowed, \_\_\_\_\_  
 share, both the na - ture and king - dom di - vine! \_\_\_\_\_  
 love which has joined us to Je - sus' name; \_\_\_\_\_  
 King, and his rap - tur - ous prais - es, re - peat: \_\_\_\_\_



on this fes - ti - val day, come ex - ult - ing a -  
 while his grace we re - ceive from his boun - ty, and  
 Now cre - at - ed a - gain that our lives may re -  
 so u - nit - ed in heart, let us nev - er - more  
 to the Lamb that was slain, Hal - le - lu - jah a -



way, and with sing - ing to Zi - on re - turn. \_\_\_\_\_  
 live to the ho - nor and glo - ry of God. \_\_\_\_\_  
 main, through - out time and e - ter - ni - ty, thine. \_\_\_\_\_  
 part, till we meet at the feast of the Lamb. \_\_\_\_\_  
 gain, sing, all heav - en, and fall at his feet. \_\_\_\_\_

Text: Anonymous, *Southern Harmony*, 1835, alt.  
 Tune: *Middlebury*, from *Southern Harmony*, 1835; harm. by Jack W. Burnam, b. 1946.

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 226

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

People **Amen.**

FIRST READING

ACTS 1:6-14

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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

**PSALM 68:1-10,33-36**

**EXSURGAT DEUS**

*Please join in reading the psalm responsively by whole verse.*

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; \*  
let those who hate him flee before him.
- 2 **Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; \***  
**as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.**
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; \*  
let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 **Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens; \***  
**YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!**
- 5 Father of orphans, defender of widows, \*  
God in his holy habitation!
- 6 **God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; \***  
**but the rebels shall live in dry places.**
- 7 O God, when you went forth before your people, \*  
when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8 **The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, \***  
**at the presence of God, the God of Israel.**
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; \*  
you refreshed the land when it was weary.
- 10 **Your people found their home in it; \***  
**in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.**
- 33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; \*  
sing praises to the Lord.
- 34 **He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; \***  
**he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.**
- 35 Ascribe power to God; \*  
his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies.
- 36 **How wonderful is God in his holy places! \***  
**the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be God!**

Reader A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! (verses 1, 2, 4)

H 460



1. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the scep - ter,  
 2. Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we left in  
 4. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the Lord of



his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the  
 sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us, faith be -  
 lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! born of Ma - ry, earth thy



vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on  
 lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the cloud from sight re - ceived him,  
 foot - stool, heav'n thy throne: thou with - in the veil has en - tered,



thun - der like a might - y flood; Je - sus out of  
 when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our hearts for -  
 robed in flesh, our great High Priest: thou on earth both



ev - ery na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
 get his pro - mise, "I am with you ev - er - more"  
 Priest and Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)  
 Music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

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

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

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.

Music: *Celtic Mass*; Fintan O'Carroll (1922-1981) and Christopher Walker, © 1985, 1989, 1996.  
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**THE SERMON**

**THE REV. JIM ENELOW**

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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 all members of the Anglican Communion around the world, 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, Jennifer, Stephen, Ann, Gladys, Charles, Ralph, Kirk, Ann, Polly, Divesh, Bailey, Melinda, Hans, Aaron, Mary, Martha, Pam, Ben, Gail, Colleen, José, Linda, Tom, Michael, 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 John, 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 Adam, Kelly, Grace; Anne and Eric; Andrea and Grant; Claire and Ryan; 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 BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES**

We celebrate those in our parish family who have completed the current phase of their educational journey, especially:

**Katie McGhee**

*Anderson High School*

daughter of Belinda & David McGhee  
attending University of Texas, Austin

**Lexie McGhee**

*Anderson High School*

daughter of Belinda & David McGhee  
attending Texas A&M University

**Ethan Worcester**

*John B. Connally High School*

son of Ronn & Sue Worcester  
grandson of Gayle & James Wall

**Bryan Callen**

*Seminary of the Southwest,  
Master of Divinity*

**Nelson Mendoza**

*Seminary of the Southwest,  
Master of Divinity*

**Congratulations to all our graduates!**

#### **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.**



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

Crown Him with Many Crowns (verses 1, 3, 5)

H 494

*Descant*

5 Crown him the Lord of heav'n, en - throned a - bove;

1 Crown him with ma - ny crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!  
 3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and  
 5 Crown him the Lord of heav'n, en - throned in worlds a - bove; crown

crown him to whom is giv'n the won-drous name of Love.

how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns all mus - ic but its own; a -  
 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his  
 him the King, to whom is giv'n, the won-drous name of Love. Crown

Crown him with ma - ny crowns, as thrones be - fore him

wake my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and  
 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, who  
 him with ma - ny crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall, crown

fall, crown him, ye, kings, for he is King of all.

hail him as thy match-less King through all e-ter-ni-ty.  
 died, e-ter-nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
 him, ye kings, with ma-ny crowns, for he is King of all.

Words: Matthew Bridges (1800-1894).  
 Music: *Diademata*, George Job Elvey (1816-1893); desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).

**DISMISSAL**

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

**POSTLUDE**

**Fantaisie C Major Op.16**  
 (César Franck)

**MI-YOUNG KIM, ORGAN**



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.

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## PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

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

Pat Beckham  
Jennifer Bigbee  
Stephen Blood  
Ann Casstevens  
Gladys Dykes  
Charles Foster  
Ralph Hausser  
Kirk Hoffman  
Ann Kauppi

Polly Littrell  
Divesh Manohar  
Bailey McKennon  
Melinda Mendez  
Hans Mueller  
**Aaron Neighbors**  
Mary Parker  
Martha Sahs  
Pam Schubert

Ben Sears  
Gail Snyder  
Colleen Stark  
José Trejo Tirado  
**Linda Wallace**  
Tom Wooten  
Michael Worcester  
All those suffering from  
COVID-19

### **For those who have died and their families, especially**

**John Kemper**

All those who have died from COVID-19

### **For those facing difficult circumstances, especially:**

Valerie McKesson Lara

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

Zach Mertz

Maddison Worcester

### **Those who celebrate birthdays, especially:**

Adam Kerrigan (May 27)  
Kelly Puckett (May 28)

Grace Stallman (May 29)

### **Those who celebrate anniversaries, especially:**

Anne & Eric Bandholz (May 27)  
Andrea & Grant Sparks (May 28)

Claire Jones & Ryan Wagner (May 29)

### **In the Anglican cycle of prayer:**

All members of the Anglican Communion  
around the world  
Members of the Anglican Consultative Council  
Staff at the Anglican Communion Office

### **In the Diocese of Texas cycle of prayer:**

St. Andrew's, Pearland  
St. Augustine of Hippo, Galveston

Names can be added to this list by emailing Jennifer at [stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com).

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## FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK AHEAD

**Mon, May 25**

*Bede, Priest and Historian, 735*

**Tue, May 26**

*Augustine of Canterbury, First Archbishop of Canterbury, 605*

**Thu, May 28**

*Mechthild of Magdeburg, Mystic, c.1282*

**Sun, May 31**

**Pentecost**

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## THE BANNER – May 24, 2020

- ❖ **VIRTUAL “COFFEE HOUR”** – Immediately after the service each Sunday, you are invited to use the service’s [Zoom link](#) (password: risen) to share a brief time of fellowship with other parishioners. Join us for this virtual “coffee hour” – with or without coffee!
- ❖ **WEDNESDAY WEAVINGS** – The Wednesday Weavings adult discussion group will gather **this Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto:fajrickard@gmail.com). We hope you can join us!
- ❖ **PENTECOST** – The Day of Pentecost recalls the coming of the Holy Spirit to the first disciples of Jesus, empowering them to preach the gospel to people from many different places, backgrounds, and cultures. The disciples who had formerly been confused and frightened after the Ascension of Jesus, not knowing what to do without his physical presence among them, were emboldened by the Spirit, and began to form a community that would be able to carry on in these new circumstances. Pentecost is sometimes called the birthday of the Church for this reason. As the contemporary embodiment of the community those first disciples began, we celebrate the fruits of the Spirit in each of us and the sharing of our gifts with our community and the world. Join us online **next Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**, as we celebrate the presence of the Holy Spirit among us. We’re working on the best way to honor our tradition of reading the gospel in multiple languages – stay tuned! And it’s traditional to wear red on Pentecost – even if you’re at home! – so that the congregation itself becomes a symbol of the flames of the Holy Spirit.
- ❖ **ALL-PARISH MEETING** – Join us after the service next **Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**, for an all-parish meeting. Take a few minutes after church to get yourself some lunch, and then join our [Pentecost Zoom link](#) for a virtual potluck lunch. We’ll share some of the bishop’s directives about in-person worship and the Reopening Task Force’s plans for what that worship will look like at St. George’s, and take the opportunity to answer your questions about this process.
- ❖ **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](http://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.

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## 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.

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## THOSE WHO SERVE

*Officiant* – The Rev. Kevin Schubert

*Deacon/Preacher* – The Rev. Jim Enelow

*Reader* – Raul Carrera

*Vestry Person of the Day* – Rob Blech

*Organist/Pianist* – Mi-Young Kim

*Singers* – Elaine Hosage, Periwinkle Schuster

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