



Holy Cross EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2020

The Service of the Word

Prelude: *Samuel Klauss (piano)*

Entrance Hymn 362: v. 1,3 “Holy, Holy, Holy”
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
Though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen! (p. 355 BCP)
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The Collect for Purity

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

The Collect of the Day - prayed by the Celebrant

The First Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons,

were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Psalm: 66:7-18 (said in unison)

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples;
make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life,
and will not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us;
you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare;
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water;
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will pay you my vows,
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
with the smoke of rams;
I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God,
and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth,
and his praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart,
the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me;
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,
nor withheld his love from me.

Sequence Hymn : “I Love You Lord”

I love you Lord, and I lift my voice
To worship you, O my soul rejoice.
Take joy my King, in what you hear,
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

The Gospel Reading: John 14:15-21

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Sermon

The Rev. Rob Dixon

The Nicene Creed (p. 358 BCP)

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 & 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.*

(*Fun Fact: "catholic" means universal)

Prayers of the People

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the Universal Church, its members, and your mission into the world through it, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the United States of America, for our government and our military, and for all who are in positions of authority; lead us into the future, oh Lord, as your beloved people, help our nation to shine your light for all of the world to see; let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble, especially those who are in impoverished and war torn areas of the world, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the concerns of this community, for all those who are on our church's prayer list, for our nation and the world concerning COVID 19, for those who live in nursing homes and in assisted living facilities, and for those who are suffering silently among us today, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

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.)* Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

The Confession (p. 360 BCP)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*

The Peace: Welcome & Announcements



The Holy Communion

Offertory: “Sonata in C major op. 36 no. 3, Allegro”
Samuel Klauss (piano)

The Doxology 380: (v. 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving (p. 361 BCP)

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.

People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

Sanctus: S-129 (said)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People ***Christ has died.***

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again..

The Lord's Prayer

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.*

Prayer for Grace and Blessing

Lord of the Feast, we thank you for gathering us as your people. We call to remembrance the many times that we have been fed at your table, and we lament at our distance now. Be present, Lord Jesus, as you were present with your disciples. Be known to us in the breaking of the bread, and may your Holy Spirit sustain us and all your church until we can gather together again. We ask this for the sake of your love. *Amen.*

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: “Here I Am Lord”

I, the Lord of sea and sky,

I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin,

My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night.

I will make their darkness bright

Who will bear my light to them?

Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here, I am Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

I the Lord of wind and flame.

I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them,

My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide.

Till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them.

Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

The Dismissal

Closing Voluntary: *Samuel Klauss (piano)*

Flower Dedications

Your Sermon Notes

Prayer List

Requested Prayer:

Adam, Alida, Aly & Baby Logan, Amy, Ann, Arlene, Barbara, Bob, Brenda, Bud, Catherine M., Catherine Z., Cecil, Fr. Chris, Cindy, Dan, Darlene, David I., Dean D., Ellie, Elsie, Fred, Grace, Grey, Jackie, James, Jennifer W., Jillian, Joseph, Judy G., Karen, Kathy, Kelly, Ken, Kiefer, Kimberly, Kristyn, Lana, Linda E., Linda M., Luke Allen, Melissa, Millie, Neil, Neta, Pam, Patrick B., Paula, Peggy, Polly, Ralph, Robert, Robyne, Ron, Selene, Sherry Jo, Sherry, Steve, Sue, Susan, Teresa L., Terry, Tif, Tom, Tony, The Daily Family, The Ramirez Family & The Youth

Great Expectations

The coming birth of a baby to Clay & Tiffanie Coleman

Prayers for Discernment

Rachel Iversen

Repose of the Soul

Mary Henderson

Military

Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Ben Boyer, Bill Elliott, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan Hoewt, Edie Ruiz, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey, Jackie Neville, Jeremy Rice, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Lance Breeding, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Raymond Buckalew, Jr., Sean Haight, Shaun Southall, Terry W. Triplett, Jr., Tyler Post

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