



# EASTER: THE GREAT FIFTY DAYS

**St. George's Church**  
**Glenn Dale Parish •**  
**The Episcopal Diocese of Washington**  
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Welcome to St. George's! We are glad to see you this morning, whether in person or virtually. Zoom participants are welcome to leave your video camera on; at certain points during the service participants in the sanctuary will see the gallery view of those taking part in the service via Zoom.

**Prelude: *When in Our Music God Is Glorified* by Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924), arranged by Brenda Portman (b. 1980)**

**Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #296 *We know that Christ is raised***

Words: John Brownlow Geyer (b. 1932). Music: Engelberg, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924) Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. Em-braced by  
We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death. Re - born we  
The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life. The Spir - it's  
A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows as Christ's new



death he broke its fear - ful hold; and our de - spair he turned to  
share with him an Eas - ter life as liv - ing mem - bers of a  
pow - er shakes the Church of God. Bap - tized we live with God the  
bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. The un - i - verse re - stored and



blaz - ing joy. Al - le - lu - ia!  
liv - ing Christ. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Three in One. Al - le - lu - ia!  
whole will sing: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A-men.

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Christ is Risen!

**People:** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

**All pray together:** 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.

## My Heart Sings Out # 34 Amen, we praise your name

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The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The first system is marked 'Cantor' and 'All'. The lyrics are: 'Sing a-men: A-men, we praise your name, O God. Sing a-men:'. The second system has lyrics: 'A-men, we praise your name, O God. Sing a-men: A-men, A-men,'. The third system has lyrics: 'A-men, A-men, a-men, we praise your name, O God. Sing a-men.' and is marked '(not sung final time)'.

### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray together the Collect of the Day:

**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.**

*The people are seated for the reading of the lessons*

### Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony.

We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

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

### Psalm 67

Be gracious to us O God and bless us  
**and make the light of your face to shine upon us,**  
 that your ways may be known upon earth:  
**your saving power among all nations.**  
 Let the peoples praise you O God:  
**let all the peoples praise you.**  
 Let the nations be glad, and sing for joy:  
**for you judge the peoples righteously, and guide the nations on earth.**  
 Let the peoples praise you O God:  
**let all the peoples praise you.**  
 The earth has yielded its harvest:  
**and you our God will bless us.**  
 Your blessing O God be upon us:  
**and let all the ends of the world revere you.**

### Gospel Hymn: LEVAS #131 *I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands on Me*

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O I know the Lord I know the Lord, I know the Lord's laid His hands on me, O hands on me.

Did ever you see the like be-fore I know the Lord's laid His hands on me, King  
 O was - n't that a hap - py day I know the Lord's laid His hands on me, When  
 Some seek the Lord and don't seek Him right. I know the Lord's laid His hands on me, They  
 My Lord's done just what he said, I know the Lord's laid His hands on me, He's

Je - sus preach-ing to the poor? I know the Lord's laid His hands on me, hands on me.  
 Je - sus washed my sins a - way I know the Lord's laid His hands on me, hands on me.  
 fool all day and pray at night I know the Lord's laid His hands on me, hands on me.  
 healed the sick and raised the dead. I know the Lord's laid His hands on me, hands on me.

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

**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

### John 5:1-9

After Jesus healed the son of the official in Capernaum, there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids-- blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath. The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### The Sermon: Terry Doyle, TSSF

### Creed: *I Believe, I Do Believe, Truly I Believe It*

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The musical score is written in treble clef with a common time signature (C). It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. Chord symbols (C, C/E, F, G) are placed above the staff at the beginning of each line. The lyrics are: I be-lieve, I do be-lieve, tru - ly I be-lieve it. Tru - I be-lieve in God, the Al-migh - ty Lord Cre - a - tor. Migh - I be-lieve in Je - sus, the Sa - vior of the peo-ple. Sa - And I do be-lieve in the pow - er of the Spi-rit. Pow - ly I be-lieve it, tru - ly I be-lieve it! - ty Lord Cre - a - tor, migh - ty Lord Cre - a - tor. - vior of the peo-ple, Sa - vior of the peo-ple. - er of the Spi-rit, Pow - er of the Spi-rit. I be-lieve, I do be-lieve, tru - ly I be-lieve it. Tru - I be-lieve in God, the Al-migh - ty Lord Cre - a - tor. Migh - I be-lieve in Je - sus, the Sa - vior of the peo-ple. Sa - And I do be-lieve in the pow - er of the Spi-rit. Pow - ly I be-lieve it, tru - ly I be-lieve it! 2006.03.15 - ty Lord Cre - a - tor, migh - ty Lord Cre - a - tor. - vior of the peo-ple, Sa - vior of the peo-ple. - er of the Spi-rit, Pow - er of the Spi-rit.

## **The Prayers of the People:**

God of Resurrection, Holy and Living One, as we gather to celebrate your victory of love over death, we rejoice with Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and all who celebrate the new life you have given Jesus and us. And so let us pray together saying, we give thanks to you O God: **for you have done marvelous things.**

Holy and Living One, this Easter season we pray in gratitude for your people and your church. We pray for Michael our presiding bishop, Mariann our bishop, Connie our rector, and the people of St. George's. May we rejoice in your resurrection we pray saying We give thanks to you O God: **for you have done marvelous things.**

Holy and Living One, this Easter season you make powerless the power of evil and death. Even in this time, we know you are present in places of devastation, war, and violence. We pray for all in harm's way, especially in Ukraine and other places of conflict, that you and we may bring light to that darkness. We pray saying We give thanks to you O God: **for you have done marvelous things.**

Holy and Living One, this Easter season, you roll away the stone once again and raise up Jesus. We pray that you roll away the stones that weigh us down in our lives and the lives of those around us, especially those who are sick and those who are suffering, for those on our parish prayer list and for those we name before you now. *The people may add their own petitions.* Inspire us to be Jesus' hands and heart to those who need new life. We pray saying We give thanks to you O God: **for you have done marvelous things.**

Holy and Living One, this Easter season you remind us that Jesus is not in the tomb but has risen. We pray for all who have died, especially those we name before you now. *The people may add their own petitions.* We pray that you comfort all who mourn and help us know that those we love and see no longer have found new life in you. We give thanks to you O God: **for you have done marvelous things.**

Holy and Living One, this Easter season we praise you and thank you for all that is good in our lives. We pray for all celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and for the many blessings you bestow. We pray saying We give thanks to you O God: **for you have done marvelous things.**

Thanks be to you Holy and Living God, God of Resurrection, who has given us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant:* The Peace of the Risen Christ be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you**

## **Blessings for Birthdays & Anniversaries**

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) and anyone celebrating their birthday or anniversary this week as they 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. *Amen.*

## The Offertory

Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering holy and acceptable to God.

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## The Offertory Anthem: *Let All The Peoples Praise You* by Carl Johengen

### Psalm 67



Let the peo - ples praise you, O God, let all the peo - ples praise you!

May you be gracious to us and bless us and may your face shine upon us.  
Then will your way be known on earth, your saving help among the nations.  
Refrain

May ev'ry nation on earth be glad, may they rejoice and sing praise.  
For you rule the peoples justly and you guide the nations on earth.  
Refrain

Then the land will yield its harvest and you will bless your children.  
Lord you will bless your people with peace, and all the ends of the earth revere you.  
Refrain

## The Great Thanksgiving

*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.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being. Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world. You are unceasingly at work, bringing order from chaos and filling emptiness with life.

**Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope. He lives in us that we may walk in your light. Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power to warm our hearts to love. As children of your redeeming purpose, freed by him who burst from the tomb and opened the gate of life, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:**

## Sanctus: Hymnal 1982 # S 130 *Holy, holy, holy Lord*

Setting from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828) Arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937) Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
hea-ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho-  
- san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless'd is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-  
- san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all, for by the Cross eternal life is ours and death is swallowed up in victory. In the first light of Easter glory broke from the tomb and changed the women's sorrow into joy. From the Garden the mystery dawned that he whom they had loved and lost is with us now in every place for ever.

**Making himself known in the breaking of the bread, speaking peace to the fearful disciples, welcoming weary fishermen on the shore, he renewed the promise of his presence and of new birth in the Spirit who sets the seal of freedom on all your people.**

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which slaves walked free, at supper with his disciples Jesus took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you." After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

**And so we recall his passion and death, his resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his holy reign.**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us O God, and upon this bread and this wine, that they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and that we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us to live and work to your praise and glory, and may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the whole family of God.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord by whom and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant:* The Risen Christ is in our midst, and so with Christ we pray:

**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. 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 bread is broken, and after a period of silence, all sing together:*

### Fraction Hymn: Wonder, Love and Praise # 866 *Christ our Passover*

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The musical score is written on three staves. The first staff is divided into three sections: 'Cantor' (3/4 time), 'Choir' (3/4 time), and 'Congregation and Choir' (4/4 time). The lyrics are: 'Al-le-lu - ia. Al-le-lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.' The second staff continues the lyrics: 'Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri-ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the'. The third staff concludes with: 'feast. Al-le-lu - ia. Al-le-lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.'

*The Celebrant then says:*

Mindful that not all are present physically to receive the sacrament, we pray with those who receive spiritual Holy Communion this day:

**Lord Jesus, in union with your faithful people, we offer to you our praise and thanks. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we pray that you come spiritually into our hearts. Strengthen us with your grace, O Lord, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose again for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are invited to receive the Holy Communion.  
Whatever you believe or don't believe, you are welcome at this table.  
For this is Christ's table, and all are welcome.

If you would like to receive a blessing rather than the bread and wine,  
Please indicate this to the Celebrant by crossing your arms in front of your chest.

### Communion Hymn: LEVAS #141 *Shall We Gather at the River*

Words and Music: Robert Lowry (1826-1899) Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323

Shall we gath - er at the riv - er where bright ang - el feet have trod;  
On the mar - gins of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray  
Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, Lay we ev - ry bur - den down;  
Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, Soon our pil - grim - age will cease.

With its crys - tal tide for - ev - er Flow - ing by the throne of God?  
We will walk and wor - ship ev - er, All the hap - py gold - en day.  
Grace our Spir - its will de - liv - er, And pro - vide a robe and crown.  
Soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er With the mel - o - dy of peace.

Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, The beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful - riv - er

Gath - er with the saints at the riv - er That flows by the throne of God.

### Post-communion Prayer

*Celebrant:* Let us pray:

**Holy and gracious God, we thank you for feeding us with the bread of life, and sustaining us with the presence of the Risen Christ. Grant that we who have gathered together this season of Resurrection will go out as people of hope and new life. May the meal we have shared revive us in body and soul, and make us glad to share the good news that Christ is risen; for he is alive and reigns with you, forever and ever. Amen.**

### Announcements are made

#### The Blessing

May God our Creator renew in you the creative Spirit that brings healing and life to our world.  
**Amen.**

May Jesus the Risen Christ, uphold you in grace and love. **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit fill you with courage to be bearers of God's song of hope in the world.  
**Amen.**

And may the blessing of God be with you now, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Dismissal Hymn: LEVAS #120 *There's a sweet, sweet spirit*

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There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I know that it's the  
(There are) bless - ings you can - not re - ceive till you know Him in His  
(If you) say He saved you from your sin, Now you're weak, you're bound, and



Spir - it of the Lord. There are sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I  
full - ness, and be - lieve. You're the one to pro - fit when you say "I am  
can - not en - ter in, you can make it right if you will yield; You'll en-



know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord. Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, Sweet Heav - en - ly Dove,  
going to walk with Je - sus all the way."  
- joy the Ho - ly Spir - it that we feel.



stay right here with us, fill - ing us with your love. And for these



bless - ings we lift our hearts in praise. With - out a doubt we'll know that we have



been re - vived when we shall leave this place. There are  
If you place

### The Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!

*People:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Postlude: *Sweet Hour of Prayer* by William B. Bradbury (1816-1868),  
arr. Victor Labenske**