



The Sixth Sunday of Eastertide

St. George's Church

Glenn Dale Parish • The Episcopal Diocese of Washington
May 9, 2021

Welcome to St. George's! We are glad to see you this morning, whether in person or virtually. This service booklet has everything you need to participate fully in today's worship service, including scripture readings as well as prayers and music.

Prelude: *Cantate Domino* by Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

Latin text:

*Cantate Domino, canticum novum: cantate Domino
omnis terra.*

*Cantate Domino, et benedicite nomini eius, Annuntiate,
annuntiate de die in diem salutare eius.*

*Annuntiate, inter gentes gloriam eius, in omnibus
populis mirabilia eius.*

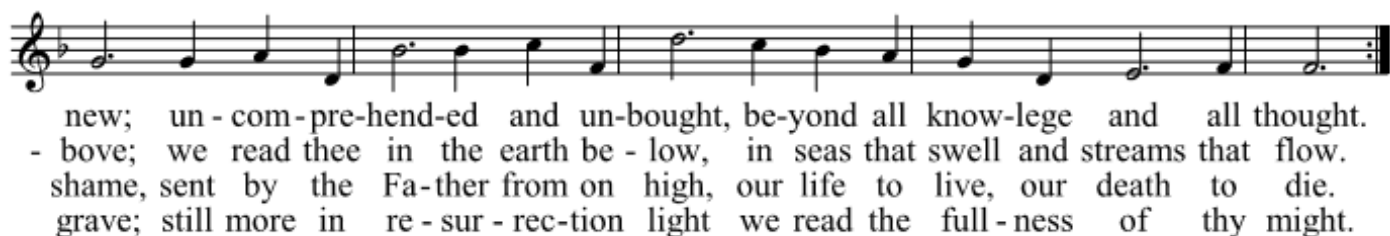
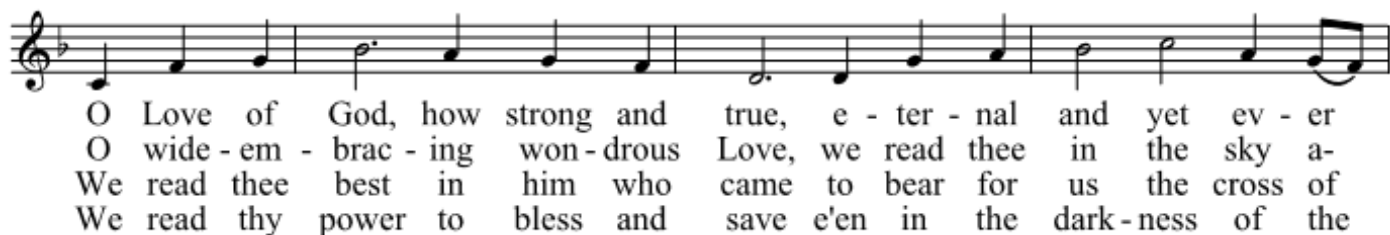
English translation:

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the
earth. Sing to the Lord, and bless his name: announce
his salvation from day to day.

Announce among the nations his glory, and his
wonders to all peoples.

Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #455 *O Love of God, How Strong and True*

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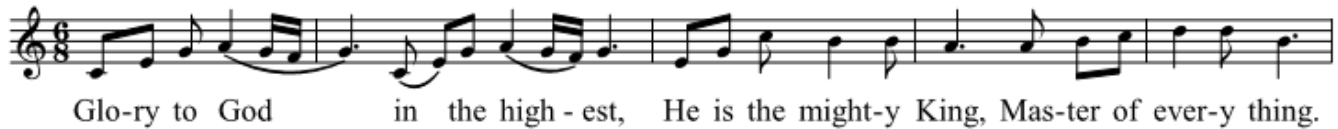
Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is Risen!

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.**

Gloria: LEVAS #53 *Glory to God in the Highest*

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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.**

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. **People: Thanks be to God**

Psalms 98

Sing to the Lord a new song: **for the Lord has done marvelous things.**

With your own right hand O Lord, and with your holy arm:

you have gained for yourself the victory.

You have made known your victory:

you have displayed your saving power to all the nations.

You have remembered your faithfulness, and your love for the house of Israel:

and all the ends of the earth have seen your victory.

Shout with joy to the Lord all the earth: **sing and rejoice with the sound of melody.**

Sing to the Lord with the harp: **with the harp and the voice of song.**

With trumpets also and horns: **shout with joy before the Lord our king.**

Let the sea roar and all that is in it: **the world and those who inhabit it.**

Let the rivers clap their hands: **and let the hills rejoice together before the Lord.**

For you O Lord are coming to judge the earth:

with righteousness you will judge the world, and the peoples with equity.

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

John 15:9-17

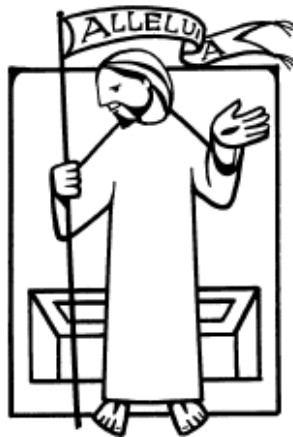
Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy 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 Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon: The Rt. Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde



The Creed: *I Believe I Do Believe*

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The image shows three staves of musical notation in treble clef with a common time signature (C). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the first line of the hymn. The second staff contains the second line. The third staff contains the third line. The lyrics are: I be-lieve, I do be-lieve, tru - ly I be-lieve it. Tru - ly I be-lieve it, Tru- I be-lieve in God, the Al - might - ty Lord Cre - a - tor, Migh - ty Lord Cre - a - tor, migh- I be-lieve in Je - sus, the Sa - vior of the peo-ple, Sa - vior of the peo-ple, Sa- And I do be-lieve in the pow - er of the Spi - rit, pow - er of the Spi - rit, pow- ly I be-lieve it! I be-lieve, I do be-lieve, tru - ly I be-lieve it. Tru- ty Lord Cre - a - tor, I be-lieve in God, the Al - might - ty Lord Cre - a - tor, Migh- vior of the peo-ple. I be-lieve in Je - sus, the Sa - vior of the peo-ple, Sa- er of the Spi - rit. And I do be-lieve in the pow - er of the Spi - rit, pow-

The Prayers of the People

Led by Karen Sharp

Celebrating the gift of new life in Christ in the power of the Resurrection, we offer our prayers for the world, the Church, and all in any need, saying, To you, living Christ:

We offer our prayers and praise. Alleluia!

God of new life, in thanksgiving we pray for our church and its leaders, for Michael our presiding bishop, for Mariann our bishop, Connie our rector, and for Thelma and those who minister to us and support us. We lift up the community of St. George's as we reach out to support one another, thankful for the gifts of lay ministry that we employ to serve one another: To you, living Christ: **We offer our prayers and praise. Alleluia!**

God of new life, because of the Resurrection, your light breaks into our darkness; your love breaks down our fear; your presence breaks open our lives, and so we praise you with open hearts. To you, living Christ: **We offer our prayers and praise. Alleluia!**

God of new life, because of the Resurrection, each day contains your promise. May we seize every opportunity to share your compassion and justice. To you, living Christ:

We offer our prayers and praise. Alleluia!

God of new life, because of the Resurrection, every part of life is bursting with possibility. May we be willing to confront the power of poverty, of hunger, of neglect, of war and all brokenness, trusting your life-giving promise of healing, wholeness, and transformation. To you, living Christ: **We offer our prayers and praise. Alleluia!**

God of new life, because of the Resurrection death does not have the last word. We pray that you would use us to extend your healing touch to those who are sick, your strengthening touch to those who serve, and your compassionate touch to those who suffer in any way, especially those on our parish prayer list, and those suffering from the effects of the Covid-19 virus. Give comfort to those who have died, especially the lives lost to the pandemic in our country and around the world. Bring peace and comfort to those who mourn. To you, living Christ: **We offer our prayers and praise. Alleluia!**

God of new life, because of the Resurrection, we can live into the abundant life you promise. We ask you to walk with us and guide us on our way, this day and always. To you, living Christ: **We offer our prayers and praise. Alleluia!**

With thanks for all your gifts, we pray these prayers, as well as those hidden in the depths of our hearts, to you, loving God, in the name of the risen Jesus. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Risen Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The people may share a socially distanced sign of God's peace with one another.

Announcements and Blessings for Birthdays & Anniversaries

The celebrant then offers the following prayer for those celebrating birthdays and 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.**



Online Services this Week on Zoom:

Evening Prayer at 6:00 pm Tuesday

Compline at 8:00 pm Wednesday

Remembering Jeffrey Williams at 7:00 pm Thursday

Links for these services as well as for the Sunday Live Stream via Zoom can be found on the Calendar page of the parish website.

The Offertory

The Celebrant says

Do good works and share what you have, for these are the sacrifices pleasing to God.

Many thanks for your financial support of St. George's. We encourage you to give electronically wherever possible. You can use your phone to text stgeodragon to 72356. Or just use your web browser to go to www.onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/Give. If your bank offers Zelle, you can use your banking app to send a donation via Zelle to donations@stgeo.comcastbiz.net

Offertory Hymn: LEVAS # 12 *We're Marching to Zion*

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Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known; Join in a song with
Let those re - fuse to sing Who nev - er knew our God; But chil - dren of the
The hill of Zi - on yields A thou - sand sa - cred sweets, Be - fore we reach the
Then let our songs a-bound, And ev - 'ery tear be dry; We're march - ing through Em -



sweet ac - cord, join in a song with sweet ac - cord. And thus sur -
heav'n - ly King, But chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, May speak their
heav'n - ly fields, Be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, Or walk the
- man - uel's ground, We're march - ing thro Em - man - uel's ground, To fair - er



- round the throne, And thus sur - round the throne. We're march - ing to Zi - on,
joys a - broad, May speak their joys a - broad.
gold - en streets, Or walk the gold - en streets,
worlds on high, To fair - er worlds on high.



Beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on; We're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on, The beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.

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

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; and we especially praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. For he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus: Hymnal 1982 # S125

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Sanctus Setting: From *A Community Mass*;
Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
the high est, - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The Celebrant continues:

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, for your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said, "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Gracious God, we ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love.

Giver of life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home in you.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator, in voices of unending praise:

Blessed are you, now and forever. 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.
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 Breaking of the Bread

The bread is broken and silence is kept

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

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.

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 to 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.

The Communion

Wherever you are on your journey, whatever you believe or don't believe, know that you are welcome at this table. For this is Christ's table, and all are welcome.



Communion Anthem: *If Ye Love Me* by Thomas Tallis (1505 – 1585)

*If ye love me,
keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father,
and He shall give you another comforter,
that He may 'bide with you forever,
e'en the spirit of truth*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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 been fed at this table today will go out as people of hope and new life to do justice and love kindness. 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.

The Blessing

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of Jesus Christ our Lord. And may the blessing of God Almighty, God who created us, Christ Jesus who brings us new life, and the Holy Spirit who guides and sustains us, be with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal Hymn: Gather # 485 *City of God*

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Text & Tune: Dan Schutte, b. 1947;
acc. by Robert J. Batastini, b. 1942

Verses 1, 2 **City of God**

1. A - wake from your slum - ber! A - rise from your sleep!
2. We are sons of the morn - ing; we are daugh - ters of day.
A new day is dawn - ing for all those who weep.
The One who has loved us has bright - ened our way.
The peo - ple in dark - ness have seen a great light.
The Lord of all kind - ness has called us to be
The Lord of our long - ing has con - quered the night.
a light for his peo - ple to set their hearts free.

Refrain %

Let us build the cit - y of God. May our tears be turned in - to danc - ing!
For the Lord, our light and our love, has turned the night in - to day!

Verse 3

3. God is light; in him there is no dark - ness. Let us walk
in his light, his chil - dren, one and all.
O com - fort my peo - ple; make gen - tle your words. Pro - claim to my
cit - y the day of her birth.

Verse 4

4. O cit - y of glad - ness, now lift up your voice.
Pro - claim the good tid - ings that all may re - joice!

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude: *We're Marching to Zion* by Anna Laura Page (b. 1943)