

St. Martin's Episcopal Church  
Bridgewater, New Jersey



An Abbreviated Celebration of the Holy Eucharist  
with Spiritual Communion  
Rite 2

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 13, 2021 + 10:30 am

Opening Hymn (Please stand to sing)

Vv. 1, 5 Hymnal 1982 Hymn 620

1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when  
 2 Thy saints are crowned with glo - ry great; they  
 3 There Da - vid stands with harp in hand as  
 4 Our La - dy sings Mag - ni - fi - cat with  
 5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God

1 shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows  
 2 see God face to face; they tri - umph still, they  
 3 mas - ter of the choir: ten thou - sand times would  
 4 tune sur - pass - ing sweet, and bless - ed mar - tyr's  
 5 grant that I may see thine end - less joy, and

1 have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?  
 2 still re - jice in that most hap - py place.  
 3 one be blest who might this mu - sic hear.  
 4 har - mo - ny doth ring in ev - ery street.  
 5 of the same par - ta - ker ev - er be!

Words: F. B. P. (ca. 16th cent.), alt. Music: *Land of Rest*, American folk hymn; adapt. and harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)  
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Priest: + Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: *And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

Priest: 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. BCP, 355

**Hymn of Praise:** *(Please remain standing to sing)*

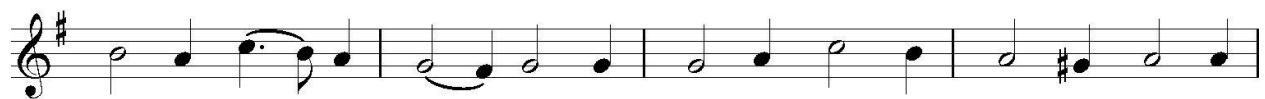
*Hymnal 1982, Hymn 421*



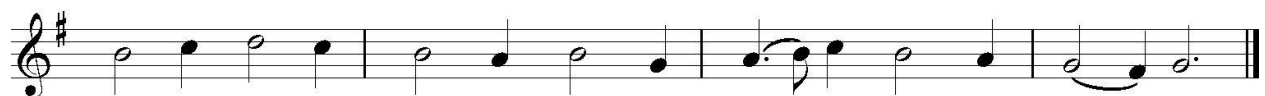
1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from  
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther  
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -



hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be  
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -  
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who



to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for  
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and  
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,



your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.  
we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.  
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

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## **Collect of the Day**

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Amen.*

## **The Lesson (2 Corinthians 5:6-10) *Please be seated***

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

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

## **Psalm 92;1-4 *Bonum est confiteri***

- 1 It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, \*  
and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;
- 2 To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning \*  
and of your faithfulness in the night season;
- 3 On the psaltery, and on the lyre, \*  
and to the melody of the harp.
- 4 For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord; \*  
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.

**Gospel Acclamation** (Please stand and sing with the cantor)

**CELTIC ALLELUIA**

*Celtic Mass*  
Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker



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

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**The Holy Gospel**

The Holy Gospel of our + Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

*All: Glory to you, Lord Christ*

Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.” He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples. *Mark 4:26-34*

The Gospel of the Lord./ *All: Praise to you, O Christ.*

**The Homily**

**Father Robert Laws**

**The Nicene Creed**     *(Please stand)*

*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 of the People (Form II, BCP, page 385)**

*Please stand or kneel*

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for William, our Bishop, for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, especially Peggy, Mary, Elsie, Jeff, Gloribel, Denise, and Linda. I ask your prayers for the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask for your own intentions, offered silently or aloud.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

Let us offer thanksgiving to God for Declan, Zachary and all graduating high school and college Seniors.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

Priest: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Priest: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *BCP, 360*

All: 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.

Priest: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

**The Peace**

**The Blessing of the Graduates**



# Offertory Hymn

WLP, Hymn 754

*Please stand to sing the offertory hymn. It is customary to bow to the Thurifer as he bows to you before and after the censuring).*

1. When from bond - age  
2. When our God names  
3. Through all stag - es  
4. We must not lose  
5. See the prize our

we are sum - moned out of dark - ness in - to light, we must  
us a peo - ple, Je - sus leads us by the hand through a  
of the jour - ney, Christ is with us, night and day, with com -  
sight of Je - sus, who ac - cept - ed pain and loss, who, for  
God has prom - ised: end - less life with Christ our Lord. Now we

go in hope and pa - tience, walk by faith and not by sight.  
lone - ly, bar - ren de - sert to a great and glo - rious land.  
pas - sion for our weak - ness ev' - ry step a - long the way. Let us  
joy of love un - meas - ured, dared em - brace the shame - ful cross.  
fix our eyes on Je - sus, walk by faith in Je - sus' word.

throw off all that hin - ders; let us run the race to win! Let us  
 has - ten to our home - land and, re - joic - ing, en - ter in. in.

**The Liturgy of the Altar**

*BCP, 361*

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*  
 Lift up your hearts. *We lift them to the Lord.*  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with The Ever Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Martin of Tours and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*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 Fraction**

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.  
Happy are they who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

### **An Act of Spiritual Communion** *(prayed silently by those watching online)*

*In union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen. Lord Jesus, come dwell in my heart.*

### **Holy Communion**

*The priest will deliver communion to those seated on the socially distanced side first. Then, the ushers will guide the other side to receive at the altar rail.*

### **Communion Hymn**

*Hymnal 1982, Hymn 302*

1 Fa - ther, we thank thee who hast plant - ed thy ho - ly Name with -  
 2 Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mer - cy, save it from e - vil,

in our hearts. Know - ledge and faith and life im - mor - tal Je - sus thy  
 guard it still, per - fect it in thy love, u - nite it, cleansed and con -

Son to us im - parts. Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy plea - sure,  
 formed un - to thy will. As grain, once scat - tered on the hill - sides,

didst give us food for all our days, giv - ing in Christ the  
 was in this bro - ken bread made one, so from all lands thy

Bread e - ter - nal; thine is the power, be thine the praise.  
 Church be gath - ered in - to thy king - dom by thy Son.

**Post Communion Prayer (Please kneel or stand)**

*BCP, 365*

*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Blessing  
Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.  
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

**Closing Hymn (Please stand) vv. 1,5**

*The Hymnal 1982, Hymn 524*

1 I love thy king-dom, Lord, the house of thine a - bode, the  
2 For her my tears shall fall; for her my prayers a - scend; to  
3 Be - yond my high - est joy I prize her heaven - ly ways, her  
4 Je - sus, thou friend di - vine, our Sa - vior and our King, thy  
5 Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zi - on shall be given the

1 Church our blest Re - deem - er saved with his own pre - cious blood.  
2 her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.  
3 sweet com - mun - ion, so - lemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.  
4 hand from ev - ery snare and foe shall great de - liv - erance bring.  
5 bright - est glo - ries earth can yield, and bright - er bliss of heaven.

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