



Sung Mass
Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 15, 2022, 10:30 am

St. Martin's Episcopal Church
Bridgewater, NJ

Please stand to sing

Opening Hymn and Asperges:

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

Hymnal 1982, 174

Alleluia, Christ is Risen. *The Lord is Risen indeed, Alleluia.*

Glory to God

Wonder, Love and Praise (Rutter)

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, —

— and peace to his peo-ple on earth. — Lord God,

(senza Ped. ad lib.)

heav'n-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther, — we wor-ship

(Ped.)

you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. —

(♩ = ♩. of preceding - same beat as before, not slower)

Fa - ther, —

Lord Je - sus Christ, — on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, —
Fa - ther, —

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Fa - ther, —

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: — have mer - cy on us; — you are seat - ed at the right

hand of the Fa - ther: — re - ceive our prayer. — For

Fa - ther: re - ceive

Fa - ther: re - ceive

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, — you a - lone are the

Lord, — you a - lone are the Most High,



The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Please be seated.

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

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

Psalm 148 *Laudate Dominum*

The cantor sings the antiphon, and then the people repeat it. The cantor sings the verses.

Ant: Sing to the Lord a new song. Hallelujah.

Praise the Lord from the earth, * you sea-monsters and all deeps;
Fire and hail, snow and fog, * tempestuous wind, doing his will; (Ant.)

Mountains and all hills, * fruit trees and all cedars;
Wild beasts and all cattle, * creeping things and winged birds; (Ant.)

Kings of the earth and all peoples, * princes and all rulers of the world;
Young men and maidens, * old and young together. (Ant.)

Let them praise the Name of the Lord, *for his Name only is exalted,
his splendor is over earth and heaven.
He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah! (Ant.)

A Reading from Revelation

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life." The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

The Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as able

The Alleluia is sung by a Cantor, then repeated by all.



Verse: I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia is repeated

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

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Alleluia is repeated

The Homily

The Nicene Creed

Please stand

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

Remain standing, or kneel

In hope and gladness, let us pray to God, who gives Life to all.

That our risen Savior may fill us with the joy of his glorious and life-giving resurrection, We pray to the living God. *Hear our prayer.*

That those who lead and those who serve in the Church throughout the world, especially William, our diocesan bishop, may be refreshed and encouraged by Christ's victory, We pray to the living God. *Hear our prayer.*

That those who are preparing to make their First Reconciliations and First Communions, especially Daniel and Sean, will be filled with God's love and grace, We pray to the living God. *Hear our prayer.*

That those who lack food, work, shelter, or medicine may be blessed with provision,
We pray to the living God. *Hear our prayer.*

That war, famine, and plague may cease in all the world, especially in Ukraine,
We pray to the living God. *Hear our prayer.*

That the light of God's presence may be revealed to the sick, the weak, and the
dying, to comfort and sustain them, especially Evelyn, Doug, Zhenya, Anya,
Linda, Chris, Rachel, Mike, Mary, Audrey, Dwight, and Bonnie's grandson. We
pray to the living God. *Hear our prayer.*

That, according to God's promises, Robert and all who have died in the faith of the
resurrection may be raised on the last day, we pray to the living God. *Hear our prayer.*

Celebrant O God, worker of wonders, you made this season for joy and gladness, yet
you also know the needs that weigh upon our hearts: Hear, therefore, the prayers we
bring to you, and grant us grace so to recognize the Risen One in our midst—the Christ
now entered into glory, the firstborn from the dead, who is alive and reigns with you in
the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God for ever and ever. Amen.

The Peace The peace of the Lord be always with you. *And also with you.*
The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome

Please be seated.

Please stand as you are able.

Offertory Hymn *O, Holy City, Seen of John*

Hymnal 1982, 583

The Great Thanksgiving *BCP, 362, Prayer A*

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second staff is for the People, with the lyrics "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics "It is right to give him thanks and praise." The notes are simple, using quarter and eighth notes, with some rests.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to 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.
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:



Please continue standing or kneel as you are able.

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 all 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 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

Fraction Anthem *Christ Our Passover*

Hymnal 1982, S 155

Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are they who are called to his Supper.

All are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ. If you are not baptized and feel drawn to a relationship with Jesus Christ, you will not be turned away, but you are encouraged to speak to the priest about how the Sacrament of Baptism can help you begin and/or deepen a relationship with Christ and the Church. If you prefer not to receive Communion, you may come forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate your preference for a blessing.

Communion Hymns

1. Broth-er, sis - ter, let me serve you; let me be as Christ to you;
2. We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, and com - pan - ions on the road;
3. I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time of your fear;
4. I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll laugh with you;

Ab Eb/G Bb7/F Eb Ab/C (Bb6 Ab6 Eb/G) Fm (Eb/G Fm/Ab) Cm Ab6 Bb7 Eb

pray that I may have the grace to let you be my serv - ant too.
we are here to help each oth - er walk the mile and bear the load.
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
I will share your joy and sor - row, till we've seen this jour - ney through.

5. When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

6. Brother, sister, let me serve you;
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

1. Here, O Lord, your ser-vants gath - er, hand we link with hand;
 1. Se - ka - i - no to - mo to te o tsu - na - gi,
 2. Man - y are the tongues we speak, scat - tered are the lands,
 3. Na - ture's se - crets o - pen wide, chang - es nev - er cease.
 4. Grant, O God, an age re - newed, filled with death - less love;

Look - ing toward our Sav - ior's cross, joined in love we stand.
 Jyu - ji - ka no mo - to ni ta - tsu wa - re - ra,
 yet our heart are one in God, on in love's de - mands.
 Where, oh where, can wea - ry soul find the source of peace?
 help us as we work and pray, send us from a - bove

As we seek the realm of God, we u - nite to pray:
 Ka - mi no mi ku - ni o me a te to shi,
 E'en in dark - ness hope ap - pears, call - ing age and youth:
 Un - to all those sore dis - tressed, torn by end - less strife:
 truth and cour - age, faith and power, need - ed in our strife:

Je - sus Sav - ior, guide our steps, for you are the Way.
 Shu Ye - su no mi - chi o su - su - mi fu - kan.
 Je - sus, teach - er, dwell with us, for you are the Truth.
 Je - sus, heal - er, bring your balm, for you are the Life.
 Je - sus, Mas - ter, be our Way, be our Truth, our Life.

Post-Communion Prayer

All Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Serving Today

Thurifer: Fausto Beleno Crucifer: Claire Francis

Reader: Omar Francis Eucharistic Minister: Yvonne Comeau

Choir: Alison Jandek, Beth Hixenbaugh, Jane Maloney, Rob Vernon

Organist: Kathy Shanklin Celebrant: Father Rob Laws+

We are honored to have you worshiping with us this morning. Please feel free to join us after Mass for refreshments in the narthex (the entrance to the church) so that we can get to know you better.

Children are always welcome to worship with their families during the Mass, but Sunday School is also offered from September-June during the Mass. We use Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for the spiritual formation of children. Children join their families for Communion.

Upcoming Events:

Today, after Mass: Parish Clean Up Day

Saturday May 21: Retreat for Children preparing for Solemn Communion 8:30 am-4 pm

Sunday May 22: Rogation Sunday (We ask God's blessings on seeds, plants and creation)

Sunday May 29: Ascension Sunday (Celebration of Christ's Presence in all things)

Saturday June 4: A Night of Mystery (6 pm-Undercroft)

Sunday June 5: Pentecost, and Celebration of Solemn Communion Sunday

Sunday June 12: Trinity Sunday (Celebration of the Mystery of the Being of God)

Sunday June 19: Corpus Christi (Thanksgiving for the Body and Blood of Christ)

Sunday June 26: Pride Sunday (Thanksgiving for the Diversity in the Body of Christ)

Summer Mass Schedule: *One Weekend Mass from July 3- September 11, Sundays @10:00 am*

Confirmation, Reception and Renewal of Vows:

Information regarding Confirmation for Youth and Adults is in the Narthex (church entrance). The brochure for Adult Confirmation includes information for those who would like to join St. Martin's Episcopal Church who have already been confirmed in a church with apostolic succession. Please register by August 7. Please see Father Rob if you have any questions.