

CHRIST AND SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 17, 2020



Saint Paul delivering the Areopagus Sermon in Athens, Raphael (1515)

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ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE: Chant de Mai

Joseph Jongen

OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

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 IN EXCELSIS: Hymnal S280

Robert Powell

Lindsey Kowalik, cantor

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. 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 FIRST LESSON

Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 51: We the Lord's People

Decatur Place

John Irving, cantor

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 14:15-21

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

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."

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Chandler Irwin

MUSICAL MEDITATION: Sarabande, from Partita No. 2, BWV 1004
Adam Symborski, violin

Johann Sebastian Bach

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Resurrected Lord, in this time of illness, isolation, and anxiety,
we pray for all members of your Holy Catholic Church:
May we be agents of your comfort and healing.

We pray for the nations of the world:
**May we set aside our suspicions and differences
so we may work together for the common good.**

We pray for all who are unemployed and struggle with debt:
May we share our abundance so all may have enough.

We pray for all who suffer fatigue and despair:
May we be their beacons of resurrection light and hope.

We pray for those who risk life and health to bring healing, comfort, and sustenance:
May they be supplied with what they need.

Bless health providers, nurses, EMT's, hospital chaplains, and hospital service providers:
Sustain with your grace delivery drivers, mail carriers, and all who sustain our lives.

We pray for our Presiding Bishop, Michael, our Bishop, Susan,
and all who are shepherding the life of this pilgrim church:
May we hold them in prayer.

We pray for all who are working to develop a vaccine for COVID-19:
May you guide and sustain their minds and hearts.

We pray for those who have died, especially those who have died alone:
May your arms of mercy envelope them in their final hours and carry them to peace and glory.

We pray for our own needs and those of others.
Individual intersessions and thanksgivings are offered.

The Officiant says a concluding Collect.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY HYMN 432: O praise ye the Lord!

LAUDATE DOMINUM

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 with the Proper Preface.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever 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.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection.

I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul.

Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart.

Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you.

May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come.

Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN 335: I am the bread of life

John Irving, cantor

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

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.

THE BLESSING & THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

MUSICAL BENEDICTION: A Clare Benediction

John Pritchard, cantor

John Rutter

PRAYER LIST

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Korea and The Most Rev'd Moses Nagjun Yoo, Primate of Korea and Bishop of Daejeon.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the people and clergy of Merchant's Hope, Prince George.

All those deployed: Ryan Irwin, Max Hazell, Finn King-Scouler, Philip Kuldell, Matthew Quintero, Junito Rodriguez, David Spaulding, Catherine Schweitzer, Rick Watson, John Taylor.

For all healthcare workers, especially Sally Ward, Jim Tanner, Glenn Jones, Robin Lee, Carolyn Moneymaker, Tom Grant, Norwood, Beth Corliss, John Taylor, Sarah McLaughlin, and Virginia Marshall.

For our homeless and working poor neighbors whom we reach out to feed and help.

For Deb O'NeilLewis and **all hospital and military chaplains.**

For mail carriers, EMT's, delivery drivers and all who put themselves at risk to keep us well stocked with necessities.

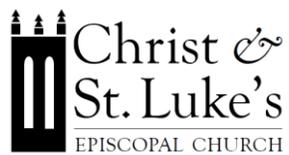
All those facing illness, surgery, injury or adversity, especially: Stanley Avery, Will Chambers, Celia Church, Dana Coltrin, Phil Davey, Cliff Inge, Bob Latimer, Bill Mace, Ruth Provost, Charles Riddle, Macon Riddle, Sandy Rutecki, BJ Taylor, Anne Traylor.

Those who ask for our continuing prayers: Kady Koennig, Steven Blythe, Carol Garrison, Bernie Ham, Dean Atkinson, Carolyn Baker, Catherine Blackwood, Jesse Blackwood, Tom & Suzanne Bolt, Barbara Clancy, Sue Crommelin, Terry Davis, Dan Haworth, Lee Hendricks, Bucky Henry, Helen Hyslop, Cliff Inge, Patsy Johnson, Frank Kirschner, Wayne Lundie, Beth Markham, Rose McAree, Mary Helen McCoy, Carolyn Moneymaker, Shiloh and Roque Moneymaker, Ned, Dean Robertson, Brandon Quiton, Mark & Phyllis Sayers, Kenneth Spink, Irene Wenger, Matt Werth.

Our loved ones needing continuing prayers: Aleer, Gail Anthony, Congo Bishop Daniel Sabiti, Paul Dell, Scott Douglas, Judith Elliot, Carol Fleming, Jamal, Jason, Will McNeil, George and Doris Neil, Jason Primm, LaRue Wright.

This week's birthdays (May 18-24): Chris Hale, Didi Granger, Lis Ryan, Sunny Sonner, Kimberly Roddy, Dean Atkinson, Irene Wenger, Betty Blasch, Hunter Lee, Lucy Gibney, Sandy Rutecki, Traci White, Butch Turchetta, Justina Reynolds, Bill Moore, Bryant McGann, Clark Avery

This week's anniversaries (May 18-24): Tom & Janet Grant, Rick & Ann Voight, Christopher & Kimberly Anderson, Bob & Mary Smith, Charles & Emily Zimbrick-Rogers



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