



Seventh Sunday of Easter
Holy Eucharist: Rite II

May 24, 2020
10:00 a.m.

Welcome to St. John's!

Welcome and thank you for worshiping with us today! Whatever your religious background (if any) and however you have come to be here with us, we welcome you. We hope that you will feel comforted and fulfilled, and that through worship and fellowship you will be strengthened to meet the challenges of your daily lives. We invite you to return here any Sunday once this shutdown is over. Please visit us on the web at www.stjohnsmlb.org.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

On this **Memorial Day weekend**, we give thanks for all
who have given their lives in service to their country.

*The Congregation joins in the portions printed in **bold italics**.*

Gathering

I Raise a Hallelujah

Jake Stevens, Jonathan David Helser, Melissa Helser, Molly Skaggs

I raise a Hallelujah,
in the presence of my enemies
I raise a Hallelujah, louder than the unbelief
I raise a Hallelujah, my weapon is a melody
I raise a Hallelujah,
heaven comes to fight for me

Ch: I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm
Louder and louder,
you're gonna hear my praises roar
Up from the ashes, hope will arise
Death is defeated, the King is alive

I raise a Hallelujah, with everything inside of me
I raise a Hallelujah,

I will watch the darkness flee
I raise a Hallelujah, in the middle of the mystery
I raise a Hallelujah,
fear you lost your hold on me *Chorus*

Bridge

Sing a little louder
(in the presence of my enemies)
Sing a little louder (louder than the unbelief)
Sing a little louder (my weapon is a melody)
Sing a little louder
(heaven comes to fight for me)
Sing a little louder *Chorus (2X)*

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
 His the scepter, his the throne;
 Alleluia! His the triumph,
 His the victory alone;
 Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
 Thunder like a mighty flood;
 Jesus out of every nation
 Hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! Bread of Heaven,
 Thou on earth our food, our stay!
 Alleluia! here the sinful
 flee to thee from day to day:

Intercessor, friend of sinners,
 Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
 Where the songs of all the sinless
 Sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,
 Thee the Lord of lords we own:
 Alleluia! born of Mary,
 Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
 Thou within the veil hast entered,
 Robed in flesh, our great High Priest:
 Thou on earth both Priest and Victim
 In the eucharistic feast.

Words by William Chatterton Dix, 1837-1898. Tune by Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1811-1887.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
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.***

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy. ***Christ, have mercy.*** Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. ***And also with you.*** Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Lessons

All sit

Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the

Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.

While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

*Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *
let those who hate him flee before him.*

*Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.*

*But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *
let them also be merry and joyful.*

*Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!*

*Father of orphans, defender of widows, *
God in his holy habitation!*

*God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; *
but the rebels shall live in dry places.*

*O God, when you went forth before your people, **

called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Recited by all in unison

*when you marched through the wilderness,
The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.*

*You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *
you refreshed the land when it was weary.*

*Your people found their home in it; *
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.*

*Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *
sing praises to the Lord.*

*He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.*

*Ascribe power to God; *
his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies.*

***How wonderful is God in his holy places! *
the God of Israel giving strength and power to
his people! Blessed be God!***

John 17:1-11

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

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave

to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.

I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

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

The Sermon

All sit

The Nicene Creed

All stand, as able

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.

Prayers of the People

Form VI

All kneel, as able

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop; Gregory, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for Church of the Messiah, Winter Garden and Holy Cross Church, Winter Haven.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the members of the Anglican Communion around the world. For the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. Justin Welby, and all primates and

bishops. For members of the Anglican Consultative Council. For the Secretary General, The Most Rev. Dr. Josiah Idowu-Fearon. For the staff at the Anglican Communion Office in London and the UN offices in Geneva and New York.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Heavenly Father, watch over and protect our nation's military members and their families, especially, ***David, Luke, Jeremy, Craig, Dobson, Murray, Joel, Mack, Sergio, Ryan, Jimmy, Michael, Mikala, Carl Jr., Matthew, Julian, Andrew, Jim, Brandon, Kyle, Nate, Stephen, Evan, Patrick, Clay, Ian, and Austin.***

A Prayer for Memorial Day

O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision gave their lives for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share in the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

We pray for our brothers and sisters who are in special need today, especially ***Barbara, Jan, Natalie, Geri, Pam, Don, Gloria, Peg, Chan, Jane, Jean, Bryan, Lilian, Brian, Edna and Gloria.*** *Silence*

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have
a place in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

Let us confess our sins against God and our
neighbor.
*Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in
your compassion forgive us our sins, known and*

*unknown, things done and left undone; and so
uphold us by your Holy Spirit that we may live
and serve you in newness of life, to the honor
and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.*

The Priest stands and says
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 peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

All stand, as able

Announcements

All sit

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

(Eucharistic Prayer A)

Offertory

The Prayer

Piano instrumental

Written by David Foster, Carole Bayer Sager, Alberto Testa and Tony Renis. Arr. by Sharon Wilson.

Doxology

All stand, as able

Hymn 380, v. 3

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him
above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

All things come of Thee, O Lord.
And of Thine own have we given Thee.

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 him 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, 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 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.

Please kneel, as 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 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.

The Holy Eucharist is Christ's eternal banquet, to which all adults and children are invited. While

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 for ever. ***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 Breaking of the Bread

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

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

we cannot gather in person, we have made provision for you to receive the sacrament (bread only) by “drive-thru.” Just drive to the church and we will be set up outside the sanctuary doors. Please stay in your car and Communion will be handed to you. This will be available until 11:30 a.m.

The Post-Communion Prayer

All kneel, as able

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 for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn # 450

All hail the power of Jesus’ name!

All stand, as able

All hail the power of Jesus’ Name!

Let angels prostrate fall;

Bring forth the royal diadem,

And crown him Lord of all!

Bring forth the royal diadem,

And crown him Lord of all!

Crown him ye martyrs of our God,

Who from his altar call:

Praise him whose way of pain ye trod,

And crown him Lord of all!

Praise him whose way of pain ye trod,

And crown him Lord of all!

Hail him, the Heir of David’s line,

Whom David Lord did call,

The God incarnate, Man divine,

And crown him Lord of all!

The God incarnate, Man divine,

And crown him Lord of all!

Words by Edward Perronet, 1726-1792. Music by Oliver Holden, 1765-1844.

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!



DRIVE-THRU SACRAMENT: Following the LiveStream, bread consecrated in the worship will be available by “drive-thru” in front of the Sanctuary from about 11:00-11:30. After joining in the Worship Live Stream, hop in your car and drive to the Church to receive the sacrament. Please remain in your car and the sacrament will be brought to you.

DRIVE-IN WORSHIP: Sunday at 5 p.m., we offer a “drive-in” worship in our park on the south side of Young Street. NEXT weekend, this service will move to Saturday, 5 p.m., beginning May 30!

See separate “News and Notes” for May 24th, 2020, for announcements and other information.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Sun. (5/24) Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m. Live stream only
Visit stjohnsmlb.org and click on "Live Stream Worship"
Drive-thru Sacrament, 11:00 -11:30 a.m. in front of Sanctuary
Adult Christian Education, 9 a.m., Parish Hall. **Suspended.**
Converge, Mid & High School, **Suspended.**
Drive-in Worship, 5:00 p.m. in the Park, 610 Young Street.

Mon (5/25) Office Closed
Bible Study, 1 p.m., Parish Hall, led by Hope Johnson. **Suspended.**

Tues (5/26) Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., led by Deacon Elizabeth. Online only.
Email yarrumea@gmail.com for details and log in.

Wed (5/27) Choir, 7 p.m., church balcony. **Suspended.**
Bible Study, 7 p.m., led by Father Eric. Online only.
Email office@stjohnsmlb.org for details and log in.

Thurs (5/28) Daily Bread, 10:00 a.m.

Fri (5/29) TGIF, Men's Bible Study, Online only. Email office@stjohnsmlb.org for details and log in.

Sat (5/30) Drive-In Worship, 5 p.m., in the park

Sun (5/31) In-Person Worship is back, 10 a.m.!
Adult Christian Education, 9 a.m., Parish Hall. **Suspended.**
Converge, Mid & High School, **Suspended.**

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