

The Episcopal Parish of Saint Paul

Newton Highlands, Massachusetts

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist

May 10, 2026 at 10:00am



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THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A)

Holy Eucharist with Joyful Noise

Prelude

Musicians

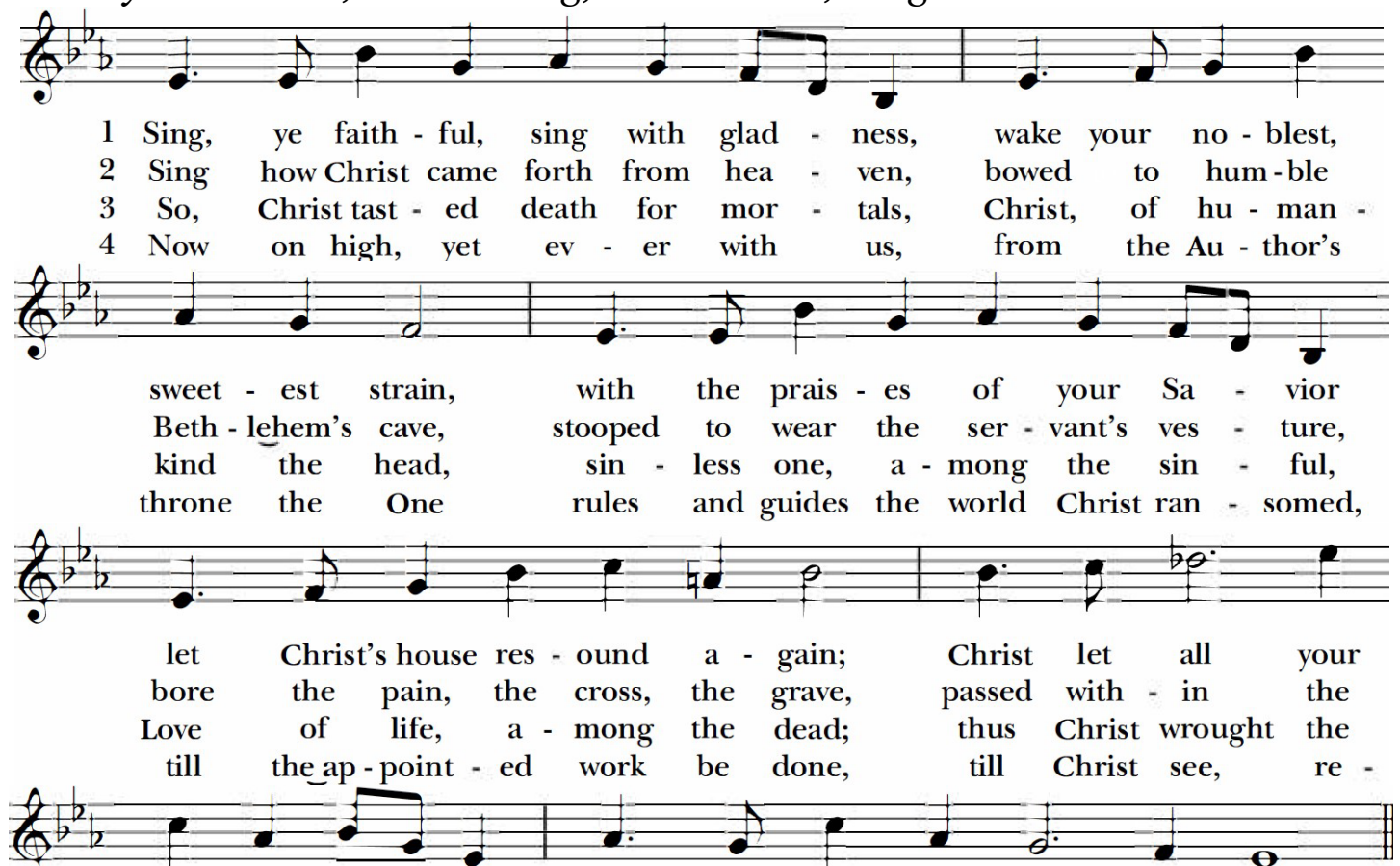
Gathering Rites / BCP p. 355

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Gathering Hymn

Please rise as you are comfortable.

The Hymnal 1982, #492 – Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing With Gladness



1 Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,
2 Sing how Christ came forth from hea - ven, bowed to hum - ble
3 So, Christ tast - ed death for mor - tals, Christ, of hu - man -
4 Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from the Au - thor's

sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior
Beth - lehem's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,
kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,
throne the One rules and guides the world Christ ran - somed,

let Christ's house res - ound a - gain; Christ let all your
bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the
Love of life, a - mong the dead; thus Christ wrought the
till the ap - point - ed work be done, till Christ see, re -

mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt Christ's reign.
gates of dark - ness, thence the ban - ished ones to save.
full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.
newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

Section: Jesus Christ our Lord Title: Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness Meter: 87. 87. 87 Words: John Ellerton (1826-1893), alt. Music: *Finnian*, Christopher Dearnley (b. 1930) Copyright: Music: By permission of Oxford University Press.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen!

People Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Collect for Purity

Presider Together we pray

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 Savior. Amen.

The Gloria

The Hymnal 1982, #S280



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 2. O God, Ma - jes -



ty, al - might - y God, Cre - a - tor, we wor - ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. O Je - sus



Christ, on - ly Child of the Au - thor, O God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Au - thor: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are our God, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God Cre - a - tor. A - men.

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Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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 Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Please be seated

The First Reading

The Acts of the Apostles 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, *this* God, who is the Author of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is served by human hands, as though needing anything, since the Holy One, the Author gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor God made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and 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 and find the Holy One — though indeed God is not far from each one of us. For ‘In God we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we too are God’s 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 God commands all people everywhere to repent, because God has fixed a day on which God will have the world judged in righteousness by a person whom God has appointed, and of this God has given assurance to all by raising this person from the dead.”

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 66:7-18

We will pray the psalm responsively by whole verse.

Bless our God, you peoples;
let the sound of praise be heard;

**God holds our souls in life,
and will not allow our feet to slip.**

For you, O God, have proved us;
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

**You brought us into the snare
and laid heavy burdens upon our backs.**

You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water,
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

**I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will pay you my vows,
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.**

I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
with the smoke of rams;
I will give you oxen and goats.

**Come and listen, all you who fear God,
and I will tell you what God has done for me.**

I called out to God with my mouth,
and high praise was on my tongue.

**If I had found evil in my heart,
God would not have heard me;**

But in truth God has heard me
and has attended to the voice of my prayer.

All: **Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,
whose love has not been withheld from me.**

This week's Psalm is from the St. Helena Psalter, used by permission.

The Second Reading

1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Savior. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. Christ was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also Christ went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to Christ.

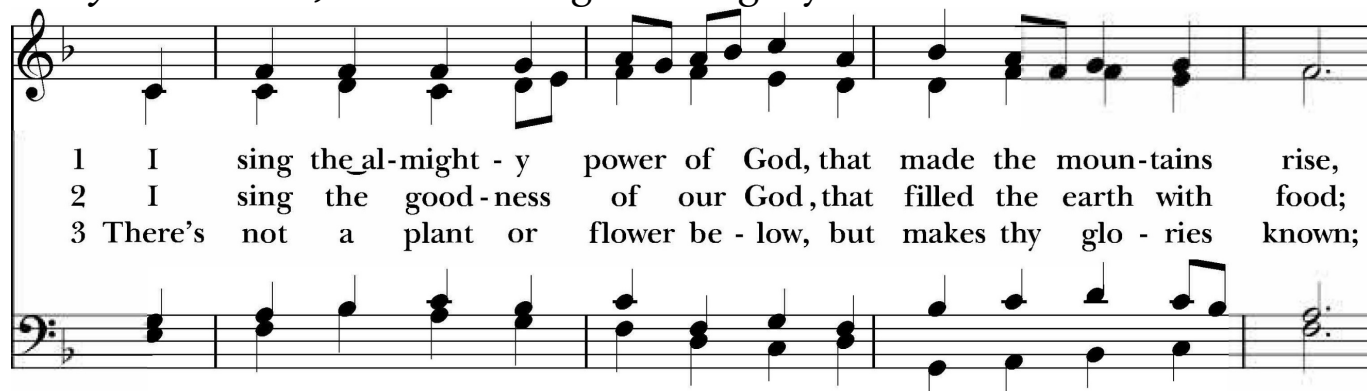
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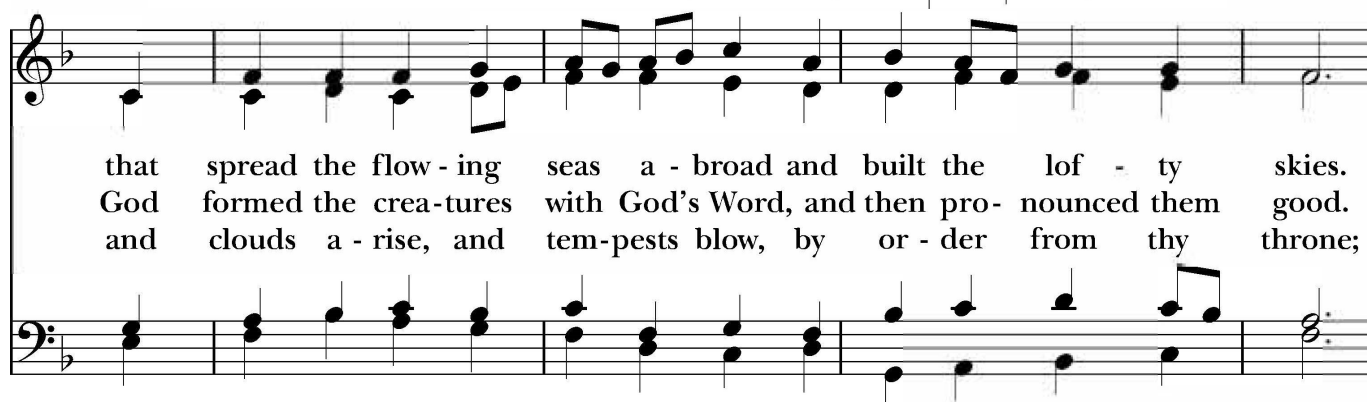
Sequence Hymn

Please rise as you are comfortable.

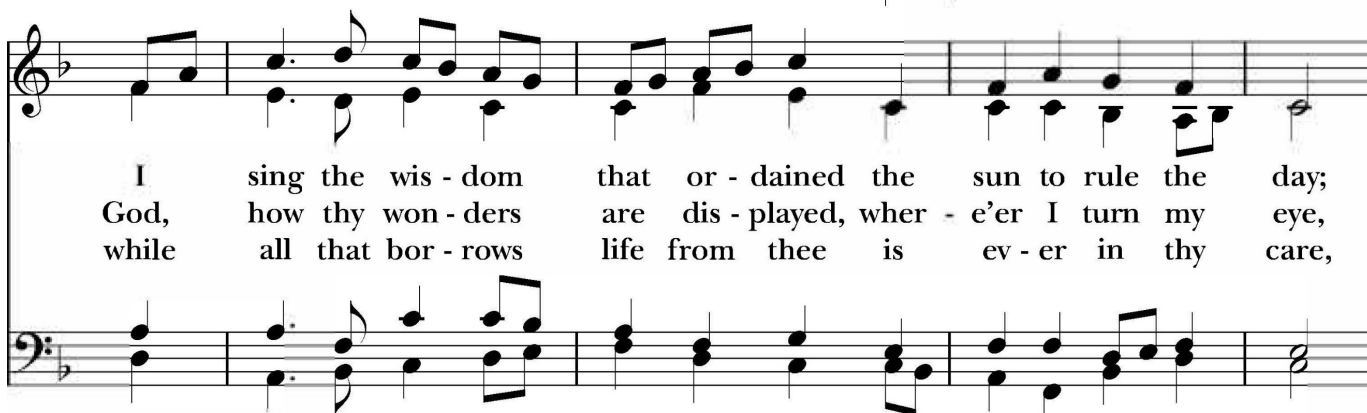
The Hymnal 1982, #398 – I Sing the Mighty Power of God



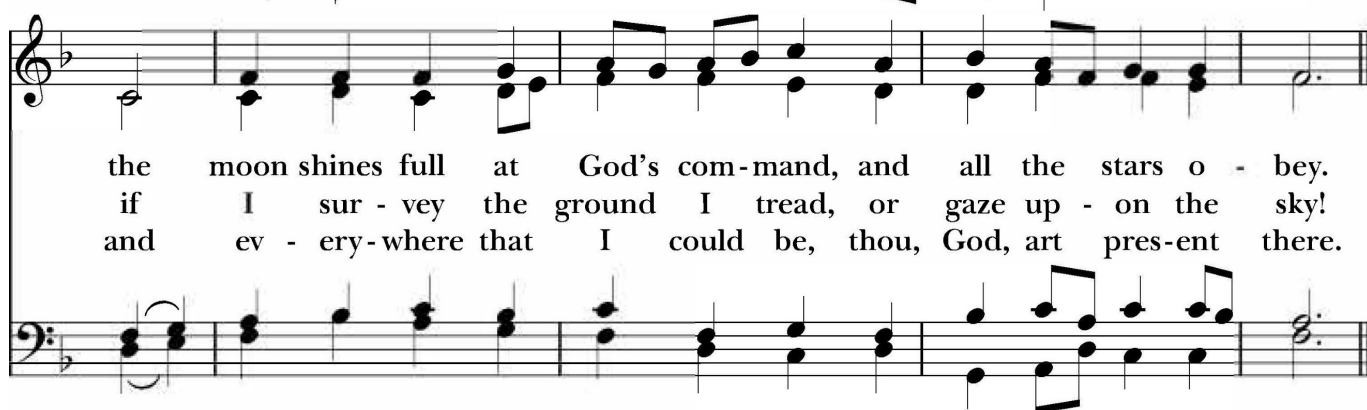
1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,
2 I sing the good-ness of our God, that filled the earth with food;
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;



that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.
God formed the crea-tures with God's Word, and then pro - nounced them good.
and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;



I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;
God, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,
while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,



the moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

The Gospel

John 14:15-21

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus said, “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Parent, who 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 her nor knows her. You know her, because she abides with you, and she 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 Parent, 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 Parent, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

Priest The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Priest-in-Charge

The Nicene Creed

The Nicene Creed is the historic statement of faith of the Church. It helps to knit the Church together across peoples and places, time and space. We pray it together as a single body, a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

1. We be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all things that
2. We be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci -
3. We be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the saints with-

be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and
fied; tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied - True Life there had tru - ly
in One church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from

sea. We be - lieve in God's Child, Je - sus, now for
died. We be - lieve that on the third day Christ was
sin; in the bod - y's res - ur - rec - tion, for the

us Rab - bi and Christ, of the Spir - it and of
raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed to God's
break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's ev - er -

Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.
 right hand. Christ will come to judge and save.
 last - ing. This the faith that we have claimed.

Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993). Music: Domhnach Trionoide, Gaelic melody; harm. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).

Prayers of the People

Almighty One, you have filled your Church with new life and empowered us through the conquering love of Jesus: Raise us with your Spirit that we may live in the power of Christ's resurrection to bring life and light to all the world. Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

The right hand of the Most High has triumphed over evil and death, bringing new hope to all the world: Speak your living truth unto everyone who leads and holds authority among the nations, that they may be agents of life and justice. We pray especially for all those working in our world to bring a quick end to violence and suffering. Either silently or aloud, for what nations and leaders do we pray this day? *(The people are invited to offer their own petitions.)* Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

The Apostle Peter has taught us, O God, that you show no partiality but accept all who live reverently and do right: Let your peace extend to every person, that the power of evil and injustice may be banished, and all people may live as beloved children of the divine. Either silently or aloud, for whom do we pray this day? *(The people are invited to offer their own petitions.)* Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Be with us in this community of the Parish of Saint Paul, and with the whole Church, that we may be glad witnesses of your goodness, O Holy One. We pray especially for Lee Hatfield and Bill Ransone, who celebrate birthdays this coming week. Either silently or aloud, for whom and what in the Church universal do we pray today? (*The people are invited to offer their own petitions.*) Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Let Christ's resurrection power bring healing and hope to those for whom we pray, especially Margaret; Will; Charles and Mary Lou Montgomery; Alicia; Jennifer; John; Gabriel and his family; Phil; Julia; Ryan; Nancy Williamson; Jim Nolan; David Murphy; David Tabors; Kristin; Deb; Tom; Sean and Jack; and for the Global Village Children's Project, the Centre Street Food Pantry, AA, and NewCity Church. Either silently or aloud, for whom else do we pray this day? (*The people are invited to offer their own petitions.*) Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Hear our prayers of grateful gladness this Easter season as we give thanks for the blessings in our lives. Either silently or aloud, for whom and what do we give thanks this day? (*The people are invited to offer their own thanksgivings.*) Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Remember in the light of the resurrection those who have died. We pray especially for Kristen Brelsford, in whose memory today's altar flowers are given. Either silently or aloud, whom do we remember by name this day? (*The people are invited to offer names.*) Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Prayer for the Social Order (*BCP* p. 823)

Intercessor Together let us pray.

All **Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Silence

Presider offers a collect.

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

(The congregation is invited to exchange signs of peace.)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem

Choir

If Ye Love Me

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

Words: John 14:15-17

Music: Thomas Tallis (c.1505-1585)

The Doxology – *Tune: Old Hundredth*

Please rise as you are comfortable.

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above all life and death
Creator, Christ, and Holy Breath. Amen.*

You are invited to rise, sit, or kneel as you feel comfortable.

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

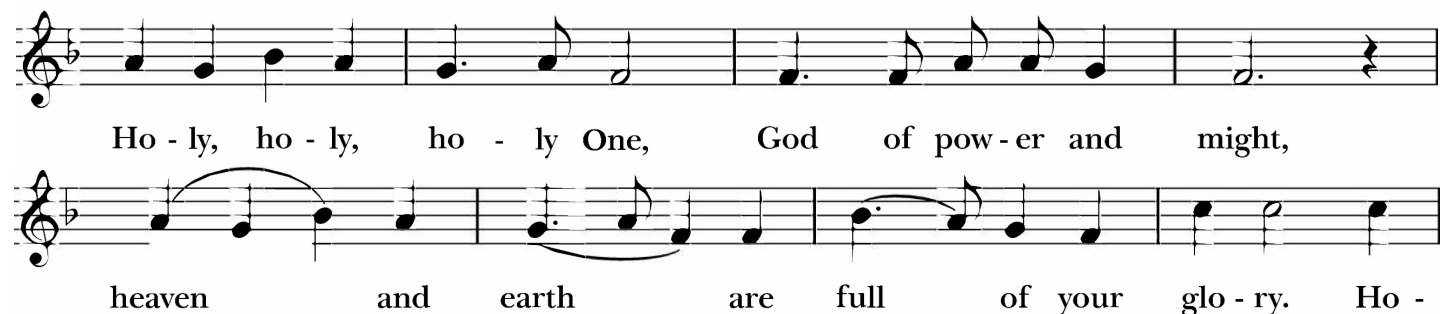
People **We lift them up to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Holy One our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Child Jesus Christ our Savior; for Christ is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By Christ's death he has destroyed death and by Christ's rising to life again Christ 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly One, 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 Christ who comes in the name of our God. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before Jesus died for us, our Savior 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 Jesus 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."

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Presider and People

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

The Presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and the Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are all acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.
AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

You are invited to say whatever version of the Lord's Prayer is meaningful for you today

Presider

As our savior Christ has taught us, we now pray

**Our Loving God in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

Save us from the time of trial,
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei

The Hymnal 1982, #S171

This setting is not used in Lent.

Antiphon: Cantor; then All



Be known to us, Christ Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Cantor



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

Cantor



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

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Presider

These are the Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ lived and loved, died, and rose for you, and feed on Christ in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion

Jesus says, "Come and see."

You are welcome at this Table, exactly as you are, because of who you are. If you feel called to the Table, please come forward to receive communion.

Gluten-free communion bread is available. Please let the priest know when you come for communion.

If you do not wish to receive the consecrated wine, please know that receiving the consecrated bread alone constitutes a full communion.

If you do not desire communion, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing – please cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire a blessing.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

(The following prayer of Spiritual Communion is said privately and is intended for individuals participating remotely, and for individuals who may not wish to receive communion or a blessing.)

In union, O God, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. And since I cannot receive you today in the sacrament of bread and wine, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, 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.

Postcommunion Hymn

You are invited to stand, sit, or kneel as you are comfortable.

MHSO, #129 – God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale

1. God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the
 2. God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the
 3. God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
 4. God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
 5. God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the

6
 swirl - ing stars _____ How does the crea - ture say
 trum - pet blast _____ How does the crea - ture say
 prod - i - gal _____ How does the crea - ture say
 prun - ing hook _____ How does the crea - ture say
 lov - ing heart _____ How does the crea - ture say

11
 Awe _____ How does the crea - ture say Praise _____
 Grace _____ How does the crea - ture say Thanks _____
 Care _____ How does the crea - ture say Life _____
 Love _____ How does the crea - ture say Peace _____
 Joy _____ How does the crea - ture say _____ Home

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Postcommunion Prayer

You are invited to stand as you are comfortable.

People and Presider

Eternal God,

you have graciously accepted us as living members

of our Savior Jesus Christ,

whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives,

and you have fed us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

Send us now into the world in peace,

in the promise of Christ's love, which defeats evil and death,

and grant us strength and courage,

in face of fear and doubt,

through the power and breath of the Holy Spirit,

to be the church, a community of flawed and forgiving disciples,

to love and serve you,

to seek justice and to live in peace,

with gladness and singleness of heart;

through Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Postcommunion Prayer is an adaptation from the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (Expansive Edition) and the Statement of Faith from the Iona Abbey Worship Book (2001).

Easter Blessing

(The Book of Occasional Services 2022)

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us God's own children through the resurrection of God's Child Jesus, our Savior, bestow upon you the riches of God's blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty – the Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier; the Parent, the Child, the Holy Spirit – be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Processional Hymn

The Hymnal 1982, #657 – Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
 2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
 3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Section: The Christian Life Title: Love divine, all loves excelling Meter: 87. 87. D Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

Announcements

Dismissal

You are invited to stand as you are comfortable.

Presider Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Resurrection.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia!**



TODAY'S LITURGY

Participants

The Rev. Dr. Meghan T. Sweeney – Priest-in-Charge

Brenda Carter – Keyboardist

Bernice Cramer – Lector of First Reading and Leader of Psalm

Margaret Hummel – Lector of Second Reading

Carter Lustig – Acolyte

Tricia Tyler – Intercessor and Lay Eucharistic Minister

Ellie Pandorf and Jack Blay – Altar Guild

Chris Gruener – Usher/Attendance

David Montgomery and Kathryn Anderson – Counters

Aaron Montgomery – Tech

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PRAYERS

In Our Diocesan Cycle Of Prayer:

For the Episcopal Church; for Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop; Julia Whitworth, our Diocesan bishop, and Ian Douglas and Mary Glasspool, our Assisting Bishops; all ministers, lay and ordained; and we pray for our own Parish of St Paul; Church of the Good Shepherd, Acton; St. Andrew's Church, Ayer; Trinity Church, Concord; St. Andrew's Church, Framingham; and for the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.

Parish Prayer List – Prayers are Requested for:

Margaret; Will; Charles and Mary Lou Montgomery; Alicia; Jennifer; John; Gabriel and his family; Phil; Julia; Ryan; Nancy Williamson; Jim Nolan; David Murphy; David Tabors; Kristin; Deb; Tom; Sean and Jack; and for the Global Village Children's Project, the Centre Street Food Pantry, AA, and NewCity Church.

SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Birthday Lee Hatfield (May 12)!

Happy Birthday Bill Ransone (May 16)!

Today's altar flowers are donated by Natalie Brelsford for the Glory of God and in loving memory of Kristen Brelsford.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Happening at POSP

- **Saturday, May 16:** Parish Clean-Up Day (Part 1) from 8am-Noon
- **Saturday, June 6:** Boston Pride for the People Parade with Diocesan Contingent
- **Sunday, June 7:** The Rev. Marissa Rohrbach, Canon for the Diocesan Central Region, Guest Preacher
- **Sunday, June 14:** Newton Highlands Village Day - Shared Worship and Street Festival

Ascension Day Liturgy - Thursday, May 14 at 7pm at Trinity Church, Newton Centre

The Charles River Deanery gathers for an Ascension Day liturgy at Trinity Church, Newton Centre. All are invited!

Memorial Service for Donny Murray on Saturday, May 23 at 10am

A memorial service for Donny Murray -- a longtime friend and associate of Ellie and Bob Pandorf -- will be held at St. Paul's on Saturday, May 23 at 10am. All are welcome to attend.

Pastoral Care Support

Members of the Pastoral Care Committee (currently Christopher Gruener, Margaret Hummel, John McDargh, David Montgomery, Mary Lou Pierron, Phil Whitbeck, and Rev. Meghan) are available to lend an ear, pray with people, and offer support in the ways we can. Please don't hesitate to reach out to a member of the committee, or to Rev. Meghan directly, with pastoral needs.

Morning Prayer on Thursdays at Grace Church, Newton Corner

Grace Church, Newton Corner offers Morning Prayer on Thursday mornings at 8am in the chapel. POSP parishioners are invited to attend.

Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please email Lise in the parish office or use this QR code.



Altar Flowers

If you would like to contribute altar flowers for a thanksgiving or memorial, please be in contact with Lise in the parish office.

Can Redemption Volunteers

Volunteers sought to assist with can redemption for the Plenty ministry. Please connect with Christopher Gruener or speak with Rev. Meghan if you can assist.

Receive the Parish Newsletter!

The newsletter is sent about once per week (occasionally more often if there is a pressing notice, for example, of snow cancellation, etc.). **The newsletter contains reflections from parishioners and *lots* of information and announcements about our diocese, the greater church, and other goings-on in and around town and in the world, that are not printed in this bulletin.**

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Episcopal Leadership

The Rt. Rev. Julia E. Whitworth – Bishop Diocesan, The Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts (diomass.org)

The Rt. Rev. Ian Douglas and the Rt. Rev. Mary Glasspool, Assisting Bishops, The Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts

The Most Rev. Sean Rowe – Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church (episcopalchurch.org)

Staff and Office Hours at the Parish of St. Paul

Priest-in-Charge: The Rev. Dr. Meghan T. Sweeney – meghan@parishofstpaul.org. Office Hours: In-Person, usually on Wednesday, 9am -1pm and by appointment (please email Rev. Meghan directly if you would like to make an appointment).

Parish Administrator: Lise Brody – office@parishofstpaul.org. Office Hours (may vary): Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am-1pm

Vestry at the Parish of St. Paul

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to be in touch with your vestry. The next Vestry Meeting is on May 20.

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Elected Parish Leaders at St. Paul's

Delegates to the Charles River Deanery: Eliza Blay, Kim Koger, David Montgomery, and Mary Lou Pierron


Delegates to the Diocesan Convention: Jack Blay and Tricia Tyler; alternate Kim Koger

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