



THE SENT: GOD'S CHURCH DEPLOYED

An Anglican online presence
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A Service of the Word
for

Ascension Sunday – May 29th, 2022

Opening Responary & Gathering of the Community

One Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

One May God's grace and peace be with you.

All May God fill our hearts with joy.

One Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together on the Lord's Day to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Welcome

Opening Hymn CP 5 Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Confession and Absolution

One Most merciful God,

All 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 neighbours 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.

One By the power of the Holy Spirit, as a witness to the death and resurrection of Christ Jesus and the assurance of pardon in Jesus' name, I proclaim to you the forgiveness of all your sins, that with renewed life you may serve this creation and the people of God in peace and strength. God is with you.

All Amen.

The Peace

One The peace of the Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Act of Praise CP 388 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Collect of the Day

One God unheld by word or wall: lift us from dullness and cynical contempt; make us ready for your Spirit of transforming power; and turn our hearts to the mending of the world, through Jesus Christ, the name above all names.

All Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47
Second Reading Ephesians 1:15-23
Gradual Hymn
Gospel Reading Luke 24:44-53

All Hail King Jesus

Gospel Discussion

1. Where is the trouble/challenge/conflict in the passage?
2. Where is the trouble/challenge/conflict in our world?
3. Where is the grace/love in the passage?
4. Where is the grace/love in our world?

Apostles' Creed

One Let us confess our faith as we say,

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Please respond to each petition ending "Hear us, O God" with "... your mercy is great."

Offering

Offertory Hymn CP 461 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

One Eternal God, our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time. Accept all we offer you this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

One And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,
All 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Doxology

One Glory to God
All whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

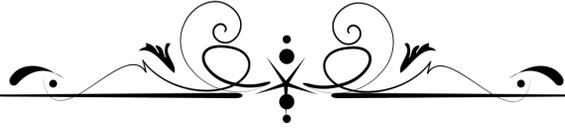
Announcements & Blessing

Closing Hymn CP 379 Rejoice the Lord Is King

Dismissal

One Go forth with the spirit of wisdom and hope, with eyes enlightened and minds aroused by the power of Christ. Be assured that wherever you go, Christ is with you. Be kind to all who are sent your way because of the Holy Spirit who gives you the power.

All Thanks be to God.



Announcements

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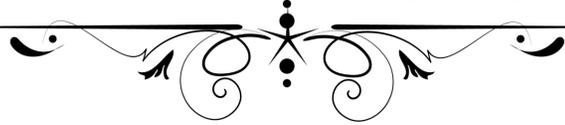
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May 29, 2022

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All Saints - Noon -12:30
St Augustine - 1-1:30pm
St James - 2-2:30pm

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First Reading**Acts 1:1-11**

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But 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.” ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They 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.”

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

Psalm 47

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a cry of joy. For the Lord Most High is to be feared; he is the great king over all the earth.

REFRAIN God has gone up with a shout.

He subdues the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet. He chooses our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

REFRAIN God has gone up with a shout.

God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn. Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our king, sing praises.

REFRAIN God has gone up with a shout.

For God is king of all the earth; sing praises with all your skill. God reigns over the nations; God sits upon his holy throne.

REFRAIN God has gone up with a shout.

The nobles of the peoples have gathered together with the people of the God of Abraham. The rulers of the earth belong to God, and he is highly exalted.

REFRAIN God has gone up with a shout.

GLORY TO THE FATHER, AND TO THE SON, AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT:

AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW AND WILL BE FOREVER. AMEN

Second Reading**Ephesians 1:11-23**

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

Gospel**Luke 24:44-53**

THE LORD BE WITH YOU.

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE.

GLORY TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Then [Jesus] said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them.

⁵¹While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven.

⁵²And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

THIS IS THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST.

PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Hymns

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Opening Hymn CP 5 Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

1 Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise!
Triumph o'er the shades of night:
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

2 Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return
till thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes and warm my heart.

3 Visit then this soul of mine,
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, Radiance divine,
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.

Act of Praise CP 388 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

1 Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
he whose word cannot be broken
formed thee for his own abode.
On the rock of ages founded,
what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
thou mayest smile at all thy foes.

2 See! The streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters
and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river
ever flows their thirst to assuage?
Grace, which like the Lord, the giver,
never fails from age to age.

3 Round each habitation hovering,
see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a covering --
showing that the Lord is near.
Thus they march, the pillar leading,
light by night, and shade by day;
daily on the manna feeding
which God gives them when they pray.

4 Saviour, if of Zion's city
I through grace a member am,
let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in thy name.
Fading is the world's best pleasure,
all its boasted pomp or show:
solid joys and lasting treasures
none but Zion's children know.

Gradual Hymn All Hail King Jesus

All hail, King Jesus,
Al hail, Emmanuel;
King of kings, Lord of lords,
Bright Morning Star.
And throughout eternity
I'll sing your praises,
And I'll reign with you throughout
eternity.

Offertory Hymn CP 461 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

1 Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
you soldiers of the cross!
Lift high his royal banner,
it must not suffer loss.
From victory on to victory
his army he shall lead
till evil is defeated,
and Christ is Lord indeed.

2 Stand up, stand up for Jesus!
The trumpet call obey;
then join the mighty conflict
in this his glorious day.
Be strong in faith and serve him,
against unnumbered foes;
let courage rise with danger,
and strength to strength oppose.

3 Stand up, stand up for Jesus!
Stand in his power alone,
for human might will fail you --
you dare not trust your own.
Put on the gospel armour,
keep watch with constant prayer;
when duty calls or danger,
be never failing there.

4 Stand up, stand up for Jesus!
The fight will not be long:
this day the noise of battle,
the next the victor's song.
To everyone who conquers,
a crown of life shall be;
we, with the king of glory,
shall reign eternally.

Closing Song CP 379 Rejoice the Lord Is King

1 Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing
and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

2 Jesus the Saviour reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

3 His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus given.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

4 He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice:
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

5 Rejoice in glorious hope;
Jesus, the Judge, shall come
and take his servants up
to their eternal home.
We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;
the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!