



St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church

May 21, 2017

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

PRELUDE Little Prelude and Fugue in E Minor Johann Sebastian Bach

Please stand as you are able until the Lessons.

OPENING HYMN #405 in *The Hymnal* (blue book) Royal Oak
All things bright and beautiful

Morning Prayer: Rite II

Today's service begins with one of the Easter sentences on page 77 in The Book of Common Prayer (red book). Morning Prayer has a number of options, but the service will generally continue forward in the book. An exception is the Prayers of the People that are later in the book, following which we return to Morning Prayer.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Page 79 in The Book of Common Prayer.

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Page 80 in The Book of Common Prayer.

THE ANTIPHON FOR EASTER

Officiant: Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed:

*People: **Come let us adore him. Alleluia.***

VENITE

Page 82 in The Book of Common Prayer, read by all.

THE ANTIPHON FOR EASTER IS REPEATED

*All: **Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.***

THE PSALM

Psalm 66:7-18

Jubilate Deo

7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

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

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

10 You brought us into the snare; *
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

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

12 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.

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

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

15 I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue.

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

17 But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
nor withheld his love from me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; *
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen

THE LESSONS

The people sit.

Acts 17:22-31

Then 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: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE *The Canticle will be announced, please stand as you are able, then be seated for the 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 Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an account of 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. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he 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 people, 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 him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE *The Canticle will be announced, please stand as you are able until after the Gospel.*

GRADUAL HYMN #400 in *The Hymnal* (blue book)
All creatures of our God and King

Lasst uns erfreuen

John 14:15-21

The Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

'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 for ever. 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.'

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Apostles' Creed *Page 96 in The Book of Common Prayer*

THE PRAYERS *Page 97 in The Book of Common Prayer*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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 Prayers of the People, *the page number in The Book of Common Prayer will be announced*

The Peace

Deacon: La Paz del Señor sea siempre con usted. (*The peace of the Lord be always with you.*)

People: **Y también contigo.** (*And also with you.*)

Announcements, Birthday, and Anniversary Blessings

OFFERTORY HYMN #292 in *The Hymnal* (blue book)
O Jesus, crowned with all renown

Kingsfold

Pledgers, please place your offering in an envelope and write your name on it so the treasurer can easily identify your giving. Thank you.

The General Thanksgiving

Page 101 in The Book of Common Prayer.

The Dismissal

Deacon: Alleluia, alleluia. Bendigamos al Señor. (*Alleluia, alleluia. Let us bless the Lord.*)

People: **Demos gracias a Dios. Alleluia, alleluia.** (*Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*)

POSTLUDE

The Kingsfold Trumpet

Alfred Fedak

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. John’s offers a work-day Holy Eucharist on Wednesdays at 12:10.

Please join in the coffee hour after the service in the Parish Hall. Exit the door on the front left of the church, the Parish Hall is the next building over.

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