

The CATHEDRAL of STPHILIP

The Sixth Sunday of Easter: Year C

25 May 2025

★ 8:45 A.M. and 11:15 A.M.

The Holy Eucharist

The Reverend Canon Julia B. Mitchener, Celebrant The Reverend Theophus "Thee" Smith, Ph.D., Preacher

Voluntary

Jardins sous la pluie

Claude Debussy (1862-1918), arr. Chase Looomer

The Welcome

THE WORD OF GOD

All sing.

The Processional: Hymn 292

music: Kingsfold, English melody, adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) words: Edward White Benson (1829-1896), alt.



The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

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.

music: Festival Canticle, Richard Hillert (1923-2010) words: Revelation 5:12-13; adapt. John W. Arthur (1922-1980)



The Collect of the Day: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All 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 Lesson Acts 16:9-15

Lector A Reading from The Acts of the Apostles.

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

At 11:15 a.m., the choir sings

The Gradual: Psalm 67

Anglican chant: Edward C. Bairstow (1874-1946)

BCP, p. 675

- I May God be merciful to us and bless us, * show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, * your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; * let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
 for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; * let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; * may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give us his blessing, * and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

The Epistle Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

Lector A Reading from The Revelation to John.

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

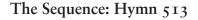
I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

All stand to sing.



music: Bridegroom, Peter Cutts (b. 1937) words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944)



The Holy Gospel

John 14:23-29

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to John.

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

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

The Sermon The Rev. Dr. Thee Smith

All stand

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant With Christians across time and around the world, we say together the Nicene Creed.

All 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.

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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.

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.

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant Let us stand or kneel to pray.

In peace we pray to the Lord.

Intercessor We pray for the people of God throughout the world.

In the Anglican Communion of Churches,

we pray today for the Anglican Church of Kenya;

for the Episcopal Church and Sean, our Presiding Bishop; and for the Diocese of Atlanta and Robert, our Bishop.

We pray for this Cathedral parish and our ministry of the day:

The Cathedral Wedding Guild.

We pray for those on our parish retreat this weekend.

Risen Lord,

All Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for the world and its leaders, that the forces of darkness and violence may be

overcome by peace and justice. We pray for Donald, our President; for the Congress and

the Courts; for Brian, our Governor; and for Andre, our Mayor.

Risen Lord,

All Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for the sick, the suffering, the displaced, and those who are persecuted for their

faith, that the Risen Christ may visit them with healing power and give them strength.

Risen Lord,

All Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We give thanks for the many blessings of this life.

We give thanks for the marriage of Emmierose Scates and Alec Oortman.

Risen Lord,

All Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for those on our prayer list, including those with new or immediate concerns:

Bob Coatney, Catherine Jachthuber, Susan Wilson

We offer further prayers and intercessions, silently and aloud.

Risen Lord,

All Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for those who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Risen Lord.

All Hear our prayer.

Celebrant

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

The Celebrant says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Parish Notices

Those for whom prayers have been requested:

For Immediate Needs
Bob Coatney
Catherine Jachthuber
Susan Wilson

Long Term Prayers R. Huntley Allen Lucy Baker Catalina Barragan Ed Black Ann & Frank Blackistone, Ir. Lawrence Booker Cheryl Bryant The Bryant Family Melanie Contreras The Crossley Family Rita Daly Ierri Darnell Debbie Dewees Mary Wayne Dixon Phoebe Forio Tom Frolik Susan Gavalis Jenny Ham Tory Hartness Heather Huber Gena Inman Jane Jones Bennie King Randi King Lisa Krysiak Bonnie Lamberth Virginia LaMon William Lane Liza Lanier Ralph Lewis Robert Lewis Stewart Long, Ir. *Iill Mahaffey* Kit Mason

Tommy Mason

Floyd McRae Sally Menning Graham Mulling Susan Myers Iim Myrick Charlie Neal Lori Hegwood Owens Marian Palmore Iim Powell Nancy Qarmout Buddy Redd Rubye Reid Lorraine Reynolds Barbara Rice Bob Riggins Agnes Elizabeth Robertson Bill Roth Kay Sanders Nancy Sanders Emmierose Scates Louis "Skip" Schueddig Roberta Shields Tommy Truesdale Art Vinson

For Family & Friends
Carolyn

& Franklin Adams
Josephine Rose Adams
Carrie Andrews
Annette Bechtold
Ray & Pat Bell
Jason Borland
Marianna Bortner
Brice Bradshaw
Jason Brady
Trip Bray
Dennis & Robin Bridges
Saint Legend Brown
Chaz Brownfield
Beverly Brownlee

William Brownlee Anne Bumbak Lila Jo Callaway IoAnn Carrin Roanne Chandraratna Stephen Chaussinand Anna Clifford Georgia Collier Linda Connelly Ellen Cordova Ava Corroon Leigh Eigel Mary Kent Ellis Marilyn Epstein Adam Freeman Kyle Garcia David Garlock Ann George Terry Gilliam Nikki Greenaway Kerry Gresham Ted Hackett Harold Ham Ryan Hamilton Joanne Dopp Hamlyn Carole Ann Harris Davis Hatcher Shirley Helmke Lisa Hoybach Jerry Hughes Jane Hunnicutt Beth Ingle William Irwin Jane Jackson Farley Jenkins, Sr. Curtis Iones DaNae Sobeautiful Arzelia Iones Delores & Lee Josephs Patricia Kasm Mary Weston Klein Nilda Lebrón

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

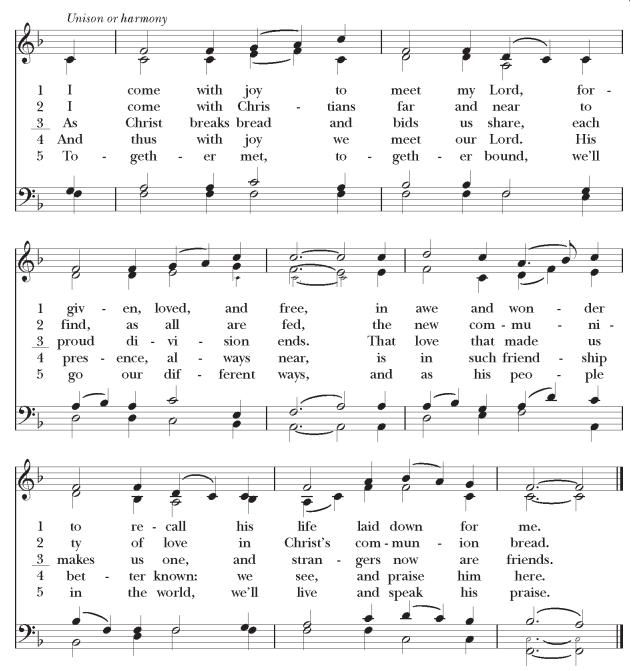
The Offertory Anthem

music: Richard Shephard (1949-2021), The Secret of Christ words: Isaiah 42:14-16; Revelation 22:1-3; Pilgrim Prayer (based on Colossians 4: 2-4) by The Revd Canon Derrick Walters)

For a long time I have held my peace, but now I will speak. I will lead the blind in a way they know not, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn their darkness into light, and I will not forsake them. And he showed me a pure river of the water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God; and on either side of the river was there a tree of life, and the leaves of the trees were for the healing of the nations. Help us, Lord, to persevere in prayer with minds awake and thankful hearts, that we may share the secret of Christ with those we meet on our earthly pilgrimage, following in the steps of Jesus, our Master and our Friend. Amen.

The Presentation: Hymn 304

music: Land of Rest, American folk melody, adatp. and harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983) words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936)



The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

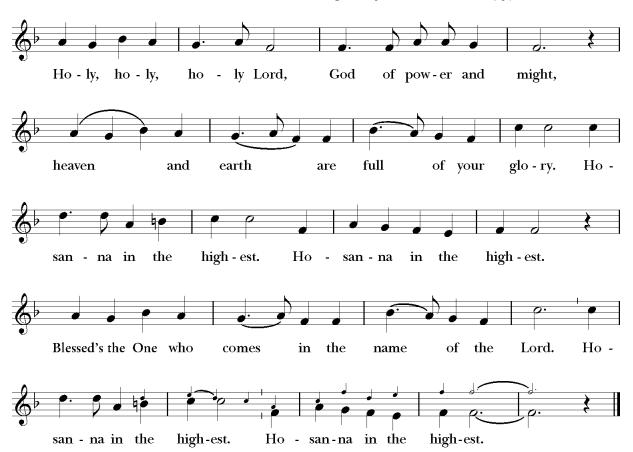
But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting 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:

All sing.

The Sanctus and Benedictus

setting: S-125, Richard Proulx (1937-2010), A Community Mass



All stand or kneel.

Celebrant 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:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant 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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, 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,

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Choir, then all.



Choir The bread which we break, Alleluia, is the communion of the Body of Christ. *All repeat the Antiphon*.

The Communion

All may receive the consecrated bread and wine of the Eucharist. You may receive at the altar or at floor-level stations. Stand or kneel and receive the bread (a wafer) in the palm of your hand. Gluten-free wafers are available at all communion stations upon request. Receive the wine either by drinking from the cup (guiding it to your lips) or by touching the wafer lightly to the wine. If you desire to receive a blessing, cross your arms across your chest.

Communion Anthem

music: Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585), If ye love me words: John 14:15-17

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 for ever, even the spirit of truth.

music: Mendon, melody from Methodist Harmonist, 1821; adapt. and harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872) words: Simon Browne (1680-1732), alt.



The Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All 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.

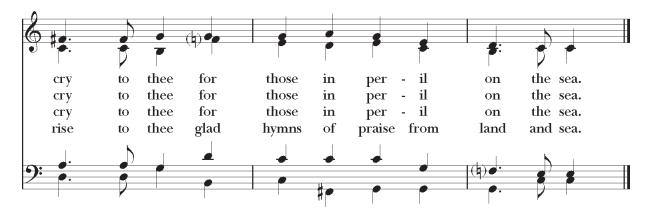
The Blessing

All sing

The Processional: Hymn 608

music: Melita, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876) words: William Whiting (1825-1878), alt.





The Dismissal

Deacon

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Voluntary

All

Improvisation on "Melita"

Chase Loomer

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Hearing loops are installed in all seating areas of the Cathedral Nave. To use this assisted listening system, turn your hearing aid to the T-coil position or ask an usher for a listening device.

CHILDREN

Children of all ages are welcome and encouraged to participate fully in our liturgy. For parents who prefer it, The Nurturing Center is open for children three and younger from 8:30 a.m. through the end of the 11:15 a.m. service each week.

YOUTH

PROGRAMS FOR GRADES 6-12

Stay connected with the youth on Instagram @cathedralATLyouthministry.
We post reminders and signups for upcoming events, motivational scripture, and pictures from our weekly gatherings. You can stay up to date on everything the Youth Program has planned!

ADULT EDUCATION

Living Faith and Old Fashioned Sunday School will resume at 10:10 a.m. next Sunday, June 1.

Enjoying Biblical Greek—Room 239 (1:15 p.m.)

Open to beginners, this class includes long-term members who use translation aids including lexicons and commentaries to enjoy how probing the Greek of New Testament texts adds nuance and depth to reading Holy Scripture. Join us in person or on Zoom. For more information, contact The Rev. Dr. Thee Smith (tsmith@cathedralATL.org, 404-365-1093).

MINISTRY OF THE DAY

Each week, the Cathedral community gives thanks for one of our many ministry groups. This Sunday, we give thanks for The Cathedral Wedding Guild. Wedding guild members work with each couple before their wedding rehearsal, assist the clergy with the rehearsal and coordinate preparations for the ceremony on the wedding day. The guild is the welcoming committee for those getting married as well as their families and guests. We want all participants and attendees of Cathedral weddings to feel welcome, blessed, and have a beautiful experience. The Guild welcomes and needs new members. For more information about the Wedding Guild, please contact The Rev. Salmoon Bashir, Canon for Liturgy and Ecumenism, (sbashir@cathedralATL.org, 404-365-1035).

SUNDAY WORSHIP

7:45 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Mikell Chapel
8:45 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Cathedral
11:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Cathedral
11:15 a.m.	La Santa Eucaristía	Mikell Chapel

WEEKDAY WORSHIP

Morning Prayer is held weekdays at 8:45 a.m. in Mikell Chapel or at the lychgate across from Child Hall.

Services of Holy Eucharist are held in St. Mary's Chapel, upstairs from the Atrium, every weekday at 12:15 p.m.

Taizé: Prayers for Peace is offered every third Monday of the month at 8 p.m. in Mikell Chapel. The **Indoor Labyrinth** is available in Child Hall prior to the service.

The Outdoor Labyrinth in front of the Lanier House is open daily.