

# THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 18, 2025

Holy Eucharist 10:00 am

The very first Easter taught us this: that life never ends and love never dies.

Kate McGahan

Today we welcome new members to St. Thomas:

Jerene Dekate

Kim & Everett Diemer

Amy Hester Felton

Bridget & Meg Powers and their children Lainee & Frankie

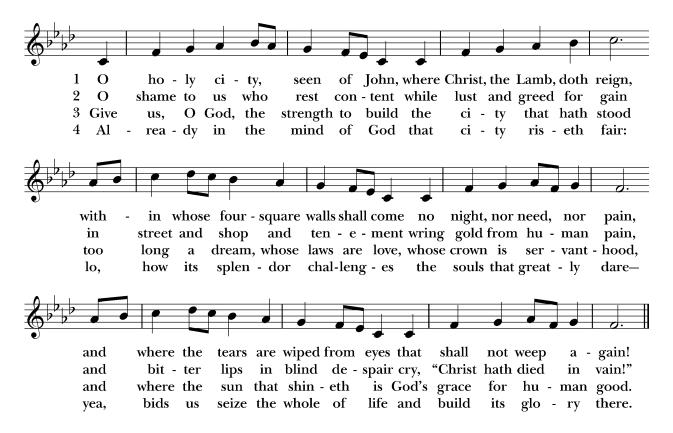
Mark Sander

Tuya Shepel

Childcare for children ages 4 and under is available during the 10am service in the Ebsworth Life Center. Access the Childcare Room from the north lobby, nearest the main parking area, just past the elevator. Follow the signs or please ask an usher or greeter to escort you to Room 109.

All rise, as able, as the bell tolls.

#### HYMN AT THE PROCESSION



Hymnal 1982, 583 ©; Words: Walter Russell Bowie (1882-1969), alt. Music: Morning Song, melody att. Elkanah Kelsay Dare (1782-1826)

#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

All The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

# **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

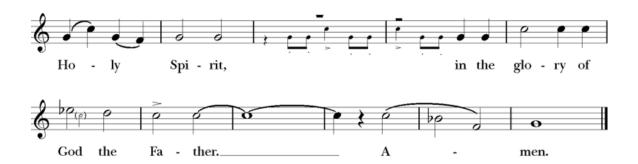
Celebrant

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.

All Amen.

# **G**LORIA





# THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

And also with you. All

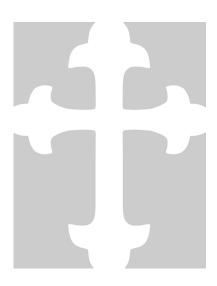
Celebrant Let us pray.

> Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the

Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*A11* Amen.

All may be seated.



### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

# THE FIRST READING

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (11:1-18).

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

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

All Thanks be to God.



Psalm 148

# Laudate Dominum

Sung by the choir.

- 1 O Praise the Lord of heaven: \* praise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him all ye angels of his: \* praise him all his host.
- 3 Praise him sun and moon: \* praise him all ye stars and light.
- 4 Praise him all ye heavens, \* and ye waters that are above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord: \* for he spake the word, and they were made; he commanded and they were created.
- 6 He hath made them fast for ever and ever: \*
  he hath given them a law which shall not be broken.
- 7 Praise the Lord upon the earth, \* ye dragons and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and vapors, \* wind and storm fulfilling his word;
- 9 Mountains and all hills; \* fruitful trees and all cedars;
- 10 Beasts and all cattle; \* creeping things and feathered fowls;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all people; \* princes and all judges of the world;
- 12 Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the Name of the Lord: \*
  for his Name only is excellent,
  and his praise above heaven and earth.
- 13 He shall exalt the horn of his people: all his saints shall praise him; \* even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.



### THE SECOND READING

Lector A reading from the Revelation to John (21:1-6).

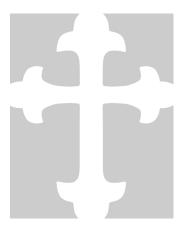
I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

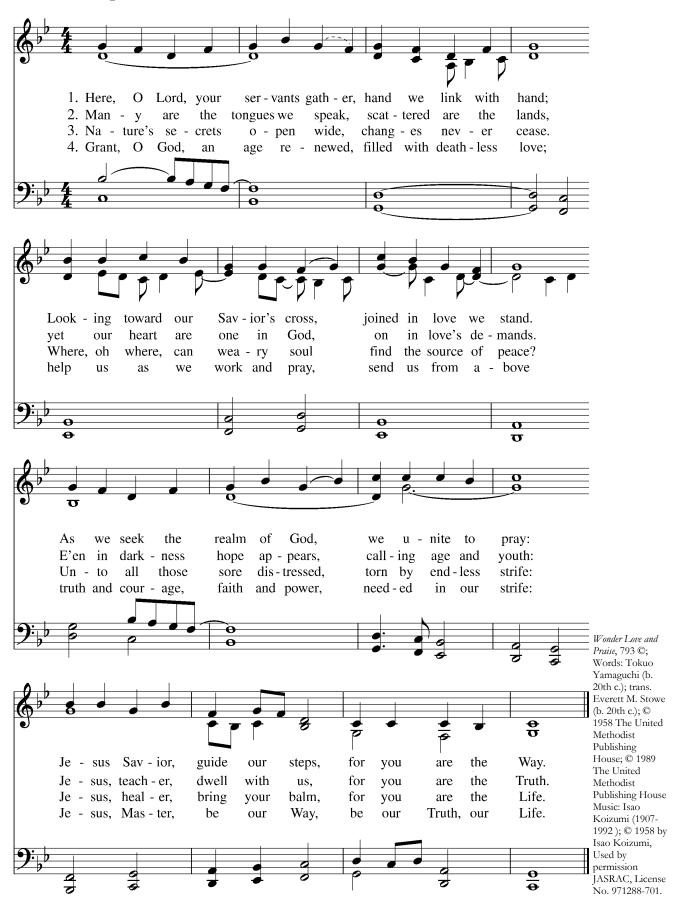
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# SEQUENCE HYMN

All rise as able and sing.



### THE GOSPEL

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John (13:31-35).

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### **SERMON**

The Rev. Elizabeth (Liz) R. Costello

All may be seated.

Silence follows the sermon.

All rise, as able.

# 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. 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

Intercessor

Heavenly father, we give you thanks for the love and living presence of your Son Jesus Christ who has made himself known to us in the sharing of the bread and wine. As you sent your Son, so you send his disciples, so that all who love him and testify in his name may have everlasting life.

We pray for the church throughout the world. At St. Thomas, we pray for lay leaders, volunteers, and clergy who seek to put your words into action. In the Anglican Communion we pray for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and Middle East. In the Diocese of Olympia, we pray for St. John's, Gig Harbor; Faith, Poulsbo; and St. Andrew's, Port Angeles.

Let us pray to the Lord.

# All Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for Pope Leo XVI (14th) as he begins his ministry, that he may be a faithful shepherd for our Roman Catholic siblings, a sign of unity among all Christians of good will, and a voice for justice and peace in the world. Let us pray to the Lord.

# All Lord, hear our prayer.

During Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage month, we give thanks for AAPI Christian siblings in our community and throughout the world. Let us pray to the Lord.

# All Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor

Bless the leaders of this land and all nations of the world with wisdom and compassion, so all may be one people under God and so that human rights and justice may be served. We pray especially for all who are victims of oppression and violence. Let us love one another as he loved us. Let us pray to the Lord.

# All Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor

Comfort and heal all who suffer in body, mind or spirit, especially:

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Cate & Ben, Cam, Jane, Matt & Teah, the Albert family, the Weng family, Laurie, Fred, Martha, Tom, Sue-Z, Mary, Jim, Linda, Patsy, Sarah, the Viereck & Burtnick families, Eric & the Weindel family, Kim, Sally, Amit, and Susan.

Intercessor

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially:

All

Elizabeth Kershner-Gerrity, Mr. Weng, Kevin Diers, Web Sandbulte, Yvonne Hoefert Kesl, Sandy Dyer, Victor Parker Sr., Candace Laing, Caroline M. Karlin, Sandy Wayne, Albert Clement, Ellen Chapman, and Vicki Williamson.

Intercessor

Please add your own thanksgivings and intercessions, either silently or aloud.

Silence is held.

Intercessor Let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Receive these prayers, O God, and transform us through them, that we may

have eyes to see and hearts to understand not only what you do on our behalf,

but what you call us to do so that your realm will come to fruition in glory.

All Amen.

Recognition of new members.

All rise, as able.

# THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

All And also with you.

We greet one another with a sign of peace.

All may be seated.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** We share some of the many ways to be engaged in the life of our community.

# LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice of God.

An offering is received to support the mission of St. Thomas. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed, using the QR code at right, or at stthomasmedina.org/giving.



#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

A new commandment

Thomas Tallis

A new commandment give I unto you, saith the Lord, that ye love together, as I have loved you, that e'en so ye love one another.

By this shall ev'ry man know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

text: John 13:34-35

# PRESENTATION HYMN

All rise and sing.



Hymnal 1982, 205 ©; Words: Cyril A. Alington (1872-1955) Music: Gelobt sei Gott, Melchior Vulpius (1560?-1616)



All rise, as able.

Celebrant

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.All And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

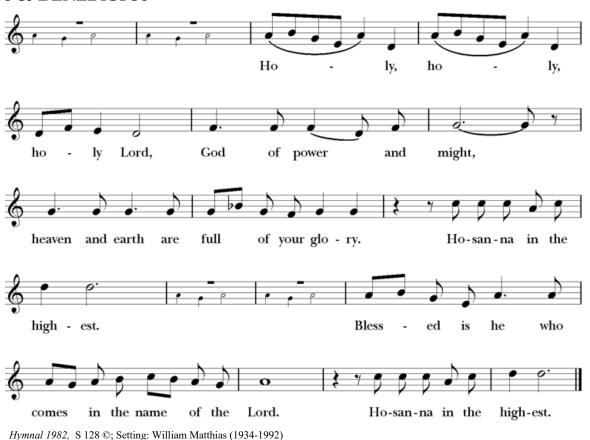
All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

# SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS



The people remain standing, or kneel, as able.

Celebrant

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Thomas and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

### All AMEN.



### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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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,

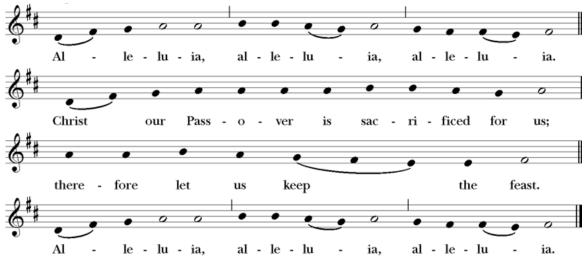
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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 Bread is broken.

# **FRACTION ANTHEM**



Hymnal 1982, S 154 ©; Setting: From New Plainsong; David Hurd (b. 1950)

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All may be seated for the time of Communion.

Ushers will invite each row forward to the altar. Bread and wine are distributed at standing stations. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is **not** available at this time. If you prefer to receive a blessing (or not to receive bread and/or wine), place your arms across your chest as a sign. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all strife; such a life as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes a guest.

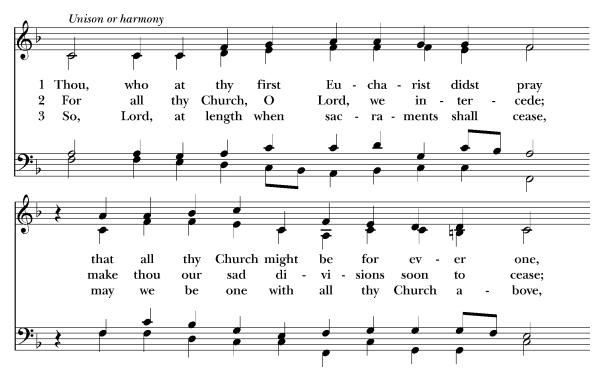
Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a joy as none can move: such a love as none can part; such a heart as joys in love.

text: George Herbert

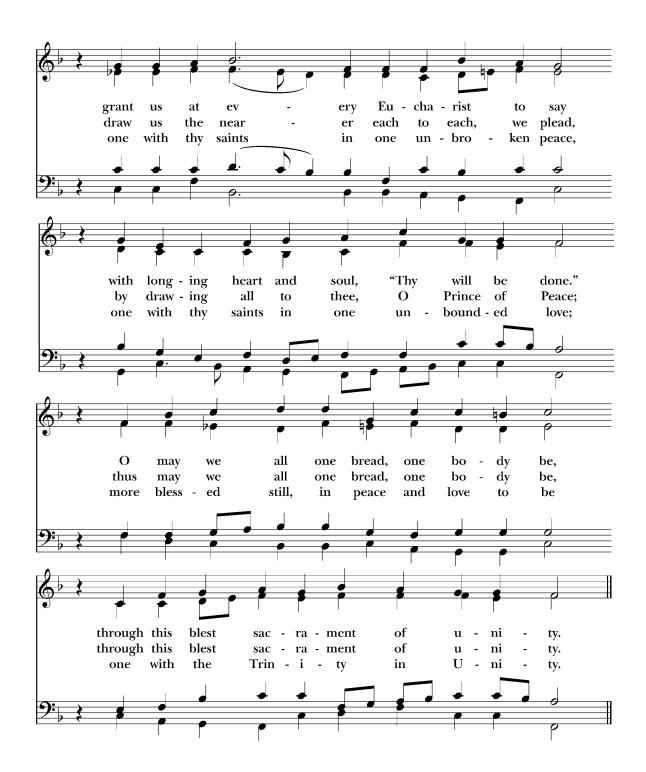


# **HYMN DURING COMMUNION**

All sing.



Hymnal 1982, 315 ©; Words: William Harry Turton (1856-1938) Music: Song 1, melody and bass Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625); harm. Hymns for Church and School, 1964



All rise as able.

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# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

# **BLESSING**

Celebrant

Friends, life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel this way with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you now, and remain with you forever.

#### All Amen.

# HYMN AT THE CLOSING

All sing.



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# **D**ISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

**VOLUNTARY** Fanfare William Mathias



# SERVING THIS DAY

The Rev. Elizabeth (Liz) R. Costello

Rector

The Rev. Edmund Harris

Associate Rector

Dr. Paul Meier

Director of Music & Organist

The Rev. James N. McEachran

Priest Associate

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