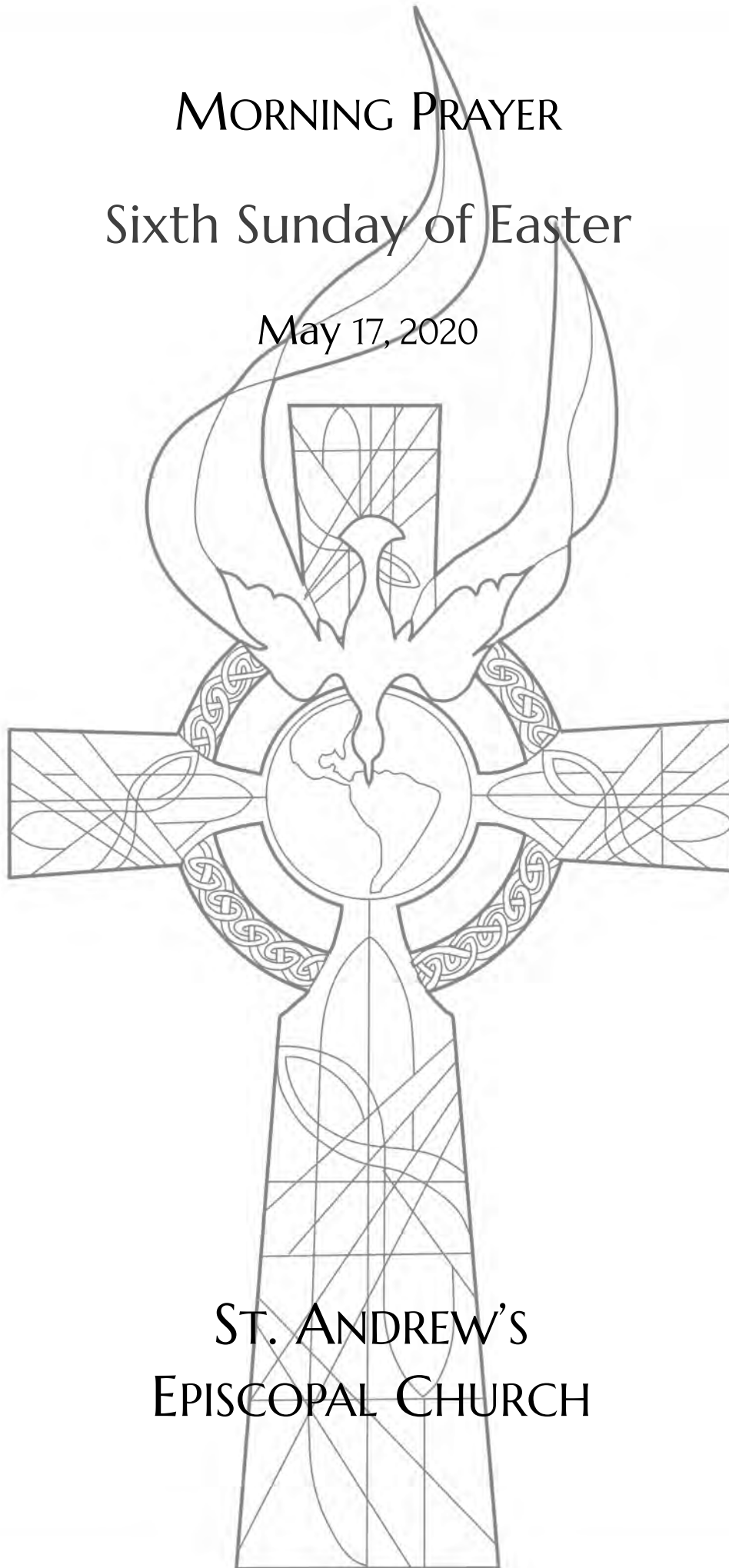


MORNING PRAYER  
Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2020



ST. ANDREW'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# THE GATHERING

## OPENING HYMN

*O God, Whose Word Well Planted*

O God, whose word well planted yields fruit a hundred-fold,  
We praise your graces granted to those who sowed of old,  
Who by their witness scattered good seed upon the soil  
Where others, reaping, gathered the harvest of their toil.

O God of seed and harvest, of sun and soil and rain,  
Attend the Word we sow lest its planting be in vain.  
Send showers of your Spirit, bright sunshine of your Grace,  
That multitudes who hear it your Gospel may embrace.

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## OPENING SENTENCE

Officiant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Officiant: On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it. *Psalm 118:24*

## THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All: 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. Alleluia.

## CHRIST OUR PASSOVER

*Pascha nostrum*

*1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22*

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \*  
therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \*  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \*  
death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \*  
but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \*  
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, \*  
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a man came death, \*  
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, \*  
so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

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.  
Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, \*  
whose love has not been withheld 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

## FIRST LESSON

Acts 17:22-31

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## CANTICLE

A Song of Creation (Part 3)

*Benedicite, omnia opera Domini*

Give glory, all you works of God, praise him, exalt his name;  
In all his firmament of power, praise him, exalt his name.

O glorify the Lord, green earth, praise him, exalt his name;  
O mountains, hills and all that grows, praise him, exalt his name

Give glory, springs and seas and streams, and whales that in them move;  
Birds of the air, give glory too, praise him, exalt his love.

Give glory, O beasts of the wild, all flocks and every herd;  
O men and women everywhere, praise the lifegiving Word.

Let glory to the Father, Son, and Spirit be upraised;  
In all his firmament of power let him be ever praised.

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## SECOND LESSON

John 14:15-21

Reader: A Reading from the Gospel of John.

Jesus said, "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 forever. 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."

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## HOMILY

The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick

## MEDITATIVE MUSICAL REFLECTION

*Prelude in F minor*

Joshua Gargett, piano

J.S. Bach

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

*Officiant and People together*

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.

## THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

All: Our Father 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.

## SUFFRAGES

Officiant: Help us, O God our Savior;

People: **Deliver us and forgive us our sins.**

Officiant: Look upon your congregation;

People: **Give to your people the blessing of peace.**

Officiant: Declare your glory among the nations;

People: **And your wonders among all peoples.**

Officiant: Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

People: **Never forget the lives of your poor.**

Officiant: Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

People: **And your favor to those who are true of heart.**

Officiant: Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

People: **So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**



## THE COLLECTS

### COLLECT OF THE DAY: EASTER 6

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.**

### A COLLECT FOR STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### A COLLECT FOR THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

O God of all the nations of the earth: Remember the multitudes who have been created in your image but have not known the redeeming work of our Savior Jesus Christ; and grant that, by the prayers and labors of your holy Church, they may be brought to know and worship you as you have been revealed in your Son; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Prayers of intercessions and thanksgivings are invited, silently or aloud, at this time.*

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

All: Almighty God of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Officiant: Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or  
imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus  
for ever and ever. (*Ephesians 3:20, 21*)

All: Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN

*O Jesus, Crowned With All Renown*

O Jesus, crowned with all renown, since thou the earth hast trod,  
Thou reignest and by thee come down hence forth the gifts of God.  
Thine is the health and thine the wealth that in our halls abound,  
And thine the beauty and the joy with which the years are crowned.

Lord, in their change, let frost and heat and winds and dews be given;  
All fostering power, all influence sweet, breathe from the bounteous heaven.  
Attemper fair with gentle air the sunshine and the rain,  
That kindly earth with timely birth may yield her fruits again.

# ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

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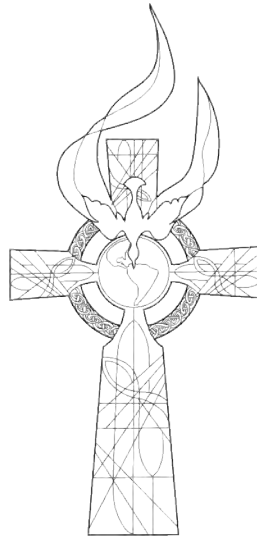
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