



# CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022

10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

*if you are not fully vaccinated, please wear a mask out of love for others who are not fully vaccinated. Please silence your electronic devices. Music and lyrics of hymns may be found in the blue Hymnal 1982.*

The Opening Voluntary                      Voluntary in F                      George Friedrich Handel

Processional Hymn                      "I Come With Joy To Meet My Lord"                      Hymn 304

Celebrant    Alleluia, Christ is risen.

People        *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

*The Celebrant says*

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.*

Gloria in excelsis

Hymnal S 280

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the  
Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

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. **Amen.**

**Reader**      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."

**Reader**      The Word of the Lord

**People**      *Thanks be to God*

### **Psalm 148**    *Laudate Dominum*

- 1    Hallelujah!  
     Praise the Lord /from the /heavens; \*  
     praise/ him in the heights.
- 2    Praise him, all you /angels of /his; \*  
     praise/ him, all his /host.
- 3    Praise him,/ sun and /moon; \*  
     praise him,/ all you shining /stars.
- 4    Praise him,/ heaven of /heavens, \*  
     and you /waters above the /heavens.
- 5    Let them praise the Name /of the/ Lord; \*  
     for he commanded, /and they were cre/ated.
- 6    He made them stand fast for/ ever and /ever; \*  
     he gave them a law which /shall not pass a/way.



- 7 Praise the Lord /from the /earth, \*  
you sea-/monsters and all /deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail,/ snow and /fog, \*  
tempestuous wind,/ doing his /will;
- 9 Mountains /and all /hills, \*  
fruit /trees and all /cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts /and all /cattle, \*  
creeping /things and winged /birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth /and all /peoples, \*  
princes and all /rulers of the /world;
- 12 Young /men and /maidens, \*  
old /and young toge/ther.
- 13 Let them praise the Name/ of the /Lord, \*  
for his Name only is exalted,  
his splendor is /over earth and /heaven.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his people  
and praise for all his /loyal /servants, \*  
the children of Israel, a people who are near him./  
Hallelu/jah!

**Reader** A reading from the Revelation of 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."

**Reader** The Word of the Lord  
**People** *Thanks be to God*

Sequence Hymn

*"Thou Art the Way"*

Hymn 457

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John (13:31-35)

People: *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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Rev. John Adams

The Nicene Creed *standing*

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.

The Prayers of the People Form III *Standing or kneeling*

BCP 387

Reader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
People *That we all may be one.*

Reader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
People *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

Reader We pray for Bishop Mark and all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
People *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

Reader We pray for Joe and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
 People *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Reader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
 People *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Reader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
 People *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Reader Give to the departed eternal rest.  
 People *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Reader We praise you for all your saints who have entered into joy;  
 People *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Reader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others; especially Mary Ruth, Cindy, Mark, Bob S., Lauren, Tammy T. Sue and Noah.

*All may offer their prayers and thanksgivings at this time, aloud or in the silence of their hearts, after which the Celebrant offers a concluding collect.*

**The Peace** *Standing*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
 People **And also with you.**

*The Peace may be exchanged through handshakes, hugs, fist bumps, waves, nods, or other such expressions; please be attentive to how much or little physical contact your neighbors would prefer. Once the Peace has been sufficiently exchanged, the people may sit for announcements.*

Offertory Anthem *O Holy City* arr. Roger Price

The Doxology: *Lasst uns erfreuen*

All: Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;  
 praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia!  
 praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Holy Communion, Eucharistic Prayer D *Standing* BCP 372

Celebrant The Lord be with you.  
 People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.  
 People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
 People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before

you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

*Celebrant and people*

*Hymnal S 125*

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.***

*Celebrant Standing or Kneeling*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and people*

***We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.***

*Celebrant*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Stephen and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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

### The Lord's Prayer (People and Celebrant)

Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

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.

Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses  
Breaking of Bread

### Fraction Anthem

### *Christ Our Passover*

Hymnal S 154

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive at the altar rail, kneeling or standing. If you wish to receive the wine, you may either sip from the common cup or take a cup from one of the side tables as you come forward, into which a chalice-bearer will pour a small portion of wine; if you wish to intinct (dip the wafer into the wine), please take a small cup and do not intinct in the common cup. Gluten-free wafers are available by request. If you do not wish to receive, you may come to the rail and place your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. Those who cannot or prefer not to come forward may inform an usher, and the celebrant will come to you.*

### Communion Chant

*"I am the true vine"*

John 15, Psalm 80

Communion Hymn Ubi caritas et amor ubi caritas Deus ibi est (**Repeat**)

Taize

*Translation: Where true charity and love abide, God is there.*

*Once all have received, the celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and people, standing or kneeling*

Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
 that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
 And now, Father, send us out  
 to do the work you have given us to do,  
 to love and serve you  
 as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

*The celebrant blesses the people.*

Recessional Hymn

*"O Holy City Seen of John"*

Hymn 583

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

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Closing Voluntary

*In Peace and Joy I Now Depart*

Johann Christoph Bach

*The beauty of the Altar Flowers are Given to the Glory of God  
 and in Loving Memory of  
 Margaret English Lester  
 By the Coleman family*

*The beauty of the Narthex Flowers are Given to the Glory of God  
 and in Loving Memory of  
 Curtis and Estelle Bryant  
 By the Family*

Pray today for the Bishop's Visitation to St. Paul's, Lynchburg. Pray for the people of St. Paul's, Lynchburg and their rectors, The Rev. Diane Vie and the Rev. Todd Vie. The People of the Diocese of Haiti as they search for their new Bishop. The Diocese of Leeds and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Nick Baines.

### May Events

- **Adult Sunday School** in the Parish House at 9:30 am. The Book of Acts will be discussed.
- **Sunday services at 10:30 am.**
  - Rite II, w/HE Rev. John Adams presiding
- **The Daily Office** is being offered by an ecumenical group of dedicated individuals at 9 a.m. for morning prayer, noon for noontime prayer and at 5 p.m. for evening prayer. Join the group on Facebook Live, their page is Daily Office Prayer and the link is <https://www.facebook.com/dailyOfficePrayer/>.
- **Monday Evening Class**  
 The Monday evening study group gathers in the Parish House for a light dinner at 6:30 pm and concludes around 8:30; beginning May 16, we will be discussing the next Sunday's Scripture readings. All are welcome; please join us!
- Every Wednesday, **Noontday Holy Eucharist in the Chapel.**
- **Loaves & Fishes** will be served the last Wednesday of each month from 5:00 - 5:45 pm using the drive-thru pickup system from the Parish House parking lot.



### Event with Rev. Roy Pollina

This afternoon (May 15), Fr. Pollina (the former Rector of Christ Church) will be the distinguished speaker at the Martinsville-Henry County Historical Society's Annual Meeting, discussing his book *Justified by Her Children*, which considers Christ Church, Martinsville, and the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia during the conflict over desegregation in the early 1960s. The meeting is free and open to the public and will take place at 3:00 pm in the Courtroom of the Historic Henry County Courthouse (1 East Main St.).

### End of Schoolyear Celebration

May 22 will be Christ Church's End of Schoolyear Celebration, with a Parish Picnic following the 10:30 service. The Youth will be providing fried chicken as the main entrée. **Please sign-up on our website under 'volunteers' to bring one or more of your favorite dishes as a complement.** The Youth Group will be helping with the cleanup after the meal and will subsequently watch a movie together.

### Graduates

Join us as we will salute all of our graduates, whether from High School, College, or Graduate, Professional, or Adult programs. Please send us your recognition and grad's information **by Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**! (Email is preferred to [office@christchurchmvl.org](mailto:office@christchurchmvl.org) or phone us at 276-632-2896. *We will be thrilled to share your good news!*

### Pentecost

June 5 is the Feast of Pentecost, a principal feast of the Church; you are invited to wear red in celebration of the Holy Spirit. We will be baptizing new members into the Body of Christ and celebrating with a reception afterwards in the Parish House. **Please note that, beginning June 5 and running through August 28, the worship service will start at 10:00 am (instead of 10:30).**

**Grace Network** - Our Grace Network Assignments for **May thru June: Apple Sauce (12-15oz)**. For the month of May: **bath soap, toilet paper and toothpaste**. As a Church family, we have committed to helping Grace Network with stocking their food pantry for those in need. Please remember to pick up our assigned item the next time you visit the grocery store. You can bring your items to the Church office OR put them in the little red wagon in the Narthex.

## THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE:

Officiant: Rev. John Adams  
Lector/prayers: Trippi Penn  
Chalists: Nancy Spilman, Dawn Stone  
Acolyte: Baylie Coleman  
Organist: Lynn Gardner  
Chorister/Cantor: Raul West  
Ushers: Gus Barber, Rives Coleman, Dan Cahill, Jay Dickens  
Altar Guild: Team One – Beth Sibbick, Stuart Webster, Alexandra O'Hare,  
LaRue Powers, Jane Thomasson, May Hawfield,  
Lyndsay Titus, Beth Cahill (Susan Critz – flower substitute)

### Vestry for 2022

**Year 3:** Carolyn Byrd; Beverley Coleman, Secretary;  
Cece Johnson; Ellen Maxwell  
**Year 2:** Hank Long, Senior Warden;  
Ruby Stultz; Rebin Titus; Pat Walmsley  
**Year 1:** Ben Beeler; Jay Dickens,  
Beverly Lyle, Treasurer;  
Andy Williams, Junior Warden