

May he fill our hearts with joy.

The Gloria

**All glory to God in the heights of the heavens,
and peace to his people, his people on earth.
We praise you, we bless you,
we give you our worship,
and for your great glory we sing out our thanks.**

**O Lord, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty,
Lord Jesus the Christ and the Father's dear Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, only Son of the Father
have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy on us.**

**Lord, you take away all the sin of the world,
hear our prayer from your place
at the Father's right hand.
Have mercy upon us; you only are holy
and you, you alone, are our Lord and our God.**

**Lord Christ, Holy Spirit and Father Almighty,
Most High and most glorious, we give you our praise.
All glory to God in the heights of the heavens,
and peace to his people, his people on earth
The Collect of the Day**

**Almighty God,
your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord.
Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of his peace,
and bring the whole of creation
to worship at his feet,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

A reading from the Book of Acts (1:1-11)

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

Listen for the leading of the Spirit
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 47

**Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with a cry of joy.**

**For the Lord Most High is to be feared;
he is the great king over all the earth.**

**He subdues the peoples under us,
and the nations under our feet.**

**He chooses our inheritance for us,
the pride of Jacob whom he loves.**

**God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.**

**Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our king, sing praises.**

**For God is king of all the earth;
sing praises with all your skill.**

**God reigns over the nations;
God sits upon his holy throne.**

**The nobles of the peoples have gathered together
with the people of the God of Abraham.**

**The rulers of the earth belong to God,
and he is highly exalted.**

The Psalm Prayer

Blessed are you, God of all the earth;
you have called us out of every people and nation to be a royal priesthood and citizens of your holy city. May our words of praise call the world to turn to the joy of fellowship with you, through Jesus Christ our Lord and the King of glory shall come in.

The Second Reading

A reading from Ephesians 1:15-23

For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may

know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

Listen for the leading of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

The Proclamation of the Gospel

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn CP324 *Hallelujah*

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke (24: 44-53)

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."

Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

We sing:

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

The Homily

*A silence for reflection follows the sermon.
The Congregation stands at the invitation of the Celebrant.*

The Nicene Creed

I invite you to stand as we profess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God
the Father 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.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped 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

*We pray for the world, the church and ourselves, assuming whatever physical position helps us to pray
(remain standing, kneel, or sit).*

The response to the intercessions will be:

Risen Lord,
hear our prayer.

Invitation to Confession

Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners

and invites us to this table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

(Silence is kept.)

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Absolution

Almighty God, have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Peace

May the peace of the risen Lord be with you.

And also with you.

*We greet one another saying, "Peace be with you" or
"The Peace of Christ".*

The Celebration of Holy Communion

The offering of money is a sign of our gratitude for God's blessing of our lives, collected in the plates placed at the front and back of the church before the service. The offering plates will not be passed during the service.

Offertory *In Christ Alone*

**In Christ alone my hope is found.
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All,
here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The love of God was magnified.
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid.
Here in the death of Christ I live.**

**There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.**

Then, bursting forth in glorious Day,
up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am His and He is mine,
bought with the precious Blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the pow'r of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from His hand.
Till He returns or calls me home,
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

Prayer over the Gifts

Eternal God,
our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time. Accept all we offer you
this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory
and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets
in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were created and have their being.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and
skill; you made us the stewards of creation.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

But we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call
us to return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent
your Son, born of a woman, to be our Saviour. He was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our
iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

Therefore we praise you joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with
those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their
unending hymn:

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

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

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, 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."

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised;

through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

A brief silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven,"
says the Lord.

Give us this bread for ever.

"I am the vine, you are the branches."

May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

The Gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us your peace.**

Spiritual Communion

For those who are worshipping with us online, we invite you to make your spiritual communion, by inviting Jesus into your heart, saying "Come, Lord Jesus."

A brief silence is kept.

*This is Christ's table.
It is made ready for those who love him,
and for those who want to love him more.
So come, whether you have much faith or little;
have tried to follow or are afraid you've failed.
Come, because it is He who invites us to receive his life.*

All are welcome to come to the altar rail. If you are not receiving the bread and wine, please come for a blessing, indicating this by placing a hand on your heart.

After the distribution at the altar rail, communion will be brought to those who wish to receive it at their seats.

Anointing with prayer for healing will be offered during communion, and prayer for those who wish it at the back of the sanctuary.

Hymn CP73 *One Bread, One Body*

***One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless—
and we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.***

**Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more.**

Refrain:

**Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all.**

Refrain:

**Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one for all.**

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,

*one cup of blessing which we bless—
and we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.*

Hymn *Be Still for the Presence*

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.
Come, bow before Him now,
with reverence and fear.
In Him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.
He burns with holy fire,
with splendour He is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister His grace.
No work too hard for Him,
in faith receive from Him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

Hymn *Jesus is King*

Jesus is King, and I will extol Him.
Give Him the glory and honour His name.
He reigns on high, enthroned in the heavens,
Word of the Father, exalted for us.

We have a hope that is steadfast and certain.
Gone through the curtain and touching the throne.
We have a Priest who is there interceding.
Pouring His grace on our lives day by day.

We come to Him, our Priest and Apostle.
Clothed in His glory and bearing His name.
Laying our lives with gladness before Him.
Filled with His Spirit, we worship the King.

O Holy One, our hearts do adore You.
Thrilled with Your goodness, we give You our praise.
Angels in light, with worship surround Him,
Jesus, our Saviour, forever the same.

Prayer after Communion

Eternal Giver of love and power, **your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom. Confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Doxology

All your works praise you, O Lord.
And your faithful servants bless you.

Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen

The Blessing

May Almighty God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit bless you on this day when his only Son ascended into heaven to prepare a place for you. **Amen.**

Closing *Hear the Call of the Kingdom*

**Hear the call of the kingdom, lift your eyes to the King:
let His song rise within you as a fragrant offering
of how God, rich in mercy, came in Christ to redeem
all who trust in His unfailing grace.**

**Hear the call of the kingdom to be children of light,
with the mercy of heaven, the humility of Christ;
walking justly before Him, loving all that is right,
that the life of Christ may shine through us.**

*King of heaven, we will answer the call.
we will follow, bringing hope to the world,
filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim
salvation in Jesus' name.*

**Hear the call of the kingdom to reach out to the lost
with the Father's compassion in the wonder of the cross,
bringing peace and forgiveness and a hope yet to come:
let the nations put their trust in Him.**

*King of heaven, we will answer the call.
we will follow, bringing hope to the world,
filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim
salvation in Jesus' name. (repeat)*

*filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim
salvation in Jesus' name.*

**Send us out in the power of Your Spirit, Lord.
May our lives show Jesus to the world.**

**May each thought and word bring glory to Your name.
Send us out in Your Spirit, Lord, we pray.**

The Dismissal

We are raised to new life with Christ.
Go in his peace. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

A Warm Welcome to all

Are you new to St. John's? We are so glad you have joined us today for worship. We encourage you to stay for coffee hour and introduce yourself to one of the clergy.

Would you like a visit? We'd be happy to visit with you at your home, in a coffee shop or at the church for pastoral conversation and/or home communion at your request.

Please call the office and one of the clergy will get back to you. 705.944.5350

If you experience a pastoral emergency (someone in the hospital or in urgent need) you can call our priest, The Rev. Canon Susan Spicer at 705.886.0057

Are you on the parish mailing and email list? If you would like to be, please let the office know.

Our Leaders Today

<i>Priest in Charge</i>	The Rev. Canon Susan Spicer
<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. Denise Byard
<i>Preacher and Deacon</i>	The Rev. Deb Wilson
<i>Music Director & Pianist</i>	Linda Parsons
<i>Organist</i>	Sylvia Amesbury
<i>Crucifer</i>	Hunter Thomas
<i>Reader</i>	Maureen Harjula
<i>Intercessor</i>	Kim Bagg
<i>Communion Assistants</i>	Marilyn La Marche/Moyra Seabright
<i>Technical Team</i>	Ben Conrad/Hayley Bagg
<i>Prayer Ministry Team</i>	Ted & Nancy Hodgkinson
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