

Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church
The Fourth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 8, 2022

8 a.m. The Holy Eucharist, Rite One
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Prelude *Voluntary on "Christ ist erstanden"* Robert Lind

10:00 Hymn 184 *Christ the Lord is risen again!* *Christ ist*
erstanden

THE WORD OF GOD

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Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Collect for Purity

Gloria *To God be the Glory* *(in black binder)* *English Folk Mass*

8:00 The Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Easter:

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of thy people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calleth us each by name, and follow where he doth lead; who, with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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The Lessons Acts 9: 36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

8:00 The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

10:00 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

1 The Lord is my shepherd; *

I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *

and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; *

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Revelation 7: 9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed

in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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The Gospel

John 10: 22-30

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

8:00 *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

10:00 *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.

8:00 *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

10:00 *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Reverend Sarah A. Conner

The Nicene Creed

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*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

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Alan and Gayle, our Bishops; and Martha, our Regional Canon. In our diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Mark's Chapel, St. Mark's School, Southborough; St. Elizabeth's Church, Sudbury; St. Peter's Church, Weston; The Ministry of the Diocesan Altar Guild and all Altar Guilds.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.

We pray for those serving in the armed forces, especially Ken Christian, James Daley, Justin Anaya, John Schweizer, Wesley Lefavour, Nic Jacobs, Will Smith, Sean Kiely, Teddy Libelo and all those serving in harm's way.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Grant us the wisdom and grace to do Your will as we seek a new rector. Bless us with clear eyes, listening ears, and discerning minds. Speak to all of our hearts, the hearts of our Search Committee, and our parish leadership as we seek a new rector. Help us to discover a mutual path toward fulfilling Your will for us and the community we serve.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. On this Mother's Day, we give thanks for the Lord's blessed mother Mary, for all mothers, and for those who are like mothers to us. And we pray for all who are walking in or supporting the Mother's Day Walk for Peace in Boston.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray especially for Lily; Chris; Ron Budka;

Lloyd Dixon; Kirsten; Patty McGregor; Tatiana; Demetrius Johnson; David Auxer; Peg Zilinsky; Elena; Bill Trenchard and family; Ronald; Marian; Alison Kemper and family; James and family; Christine Koellmer; Nikki, John and family; Sandy; Katharine Pearce; Ginny Johnson; Michelle Abell, Bill and Phil; Katie Kiely; Lorraine Legendre; Nancy and Jeff Santora; and for all those suffering from COVID-19; for the homeless, victims of war, drug addiction and climate disasters around the world; for the people of the Ukraine and the residents of Gaza and for any others you would like to add at this time either silently or aloud.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom We remember all those killed in shootings and other acts of violence and those who have died of COVID-19 and other diseases, famine, extreme weather, and drug addiction. We pray for Ruth D. Farrar and for the Bernardini and DeLollis families for whom our Sanctuary candle burns, and for any others you would like to add at this time either silently or aloud.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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 neighbors 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.*

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

Announcements

Offertory anthem

O Holy City, Seen of John

arr. Roger Price

10:00 The Presentation Hymn

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

O praise him, Alleluia.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

O praise him, O praise him,

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving: *(You may stand or kneel during the entire Eucharistic Prayer)*

Eucharistic Prayer B

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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 God thanks and praise.*

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:

Sanctus and Benedictus *Holy, Holy, Holy* (black binder)

English Folk Mass

*Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.*

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

*We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.*

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Peter and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, 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.*

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem *O Lamb of God*

English Folk Mass

*O Lamb of God, our Lord most holy, who redeems us from our sin,
Have mercy on us, meek and lowly, make us clean and pure within,
Grant us your peace we humbly pray, as we worship you today
Receive your body and blood, renewed in faith by heav'nly food.*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*People should come forward to the celebrant to receive.
~All Christians of every tradition are welcome to receive Communion~*

10:00 Hymn 663

The Lord my God my Shepherd is

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Post-Communion Prayer

*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 Easter Blessing

The Dismissal

Lay Minister: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

10:00 Hymn 708

Savior, like a shepherd lead us

Sicilian Mariners

Postlude

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Barbara Harbach

~St. Peter's feeds God's people - all are welcome at our table~



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