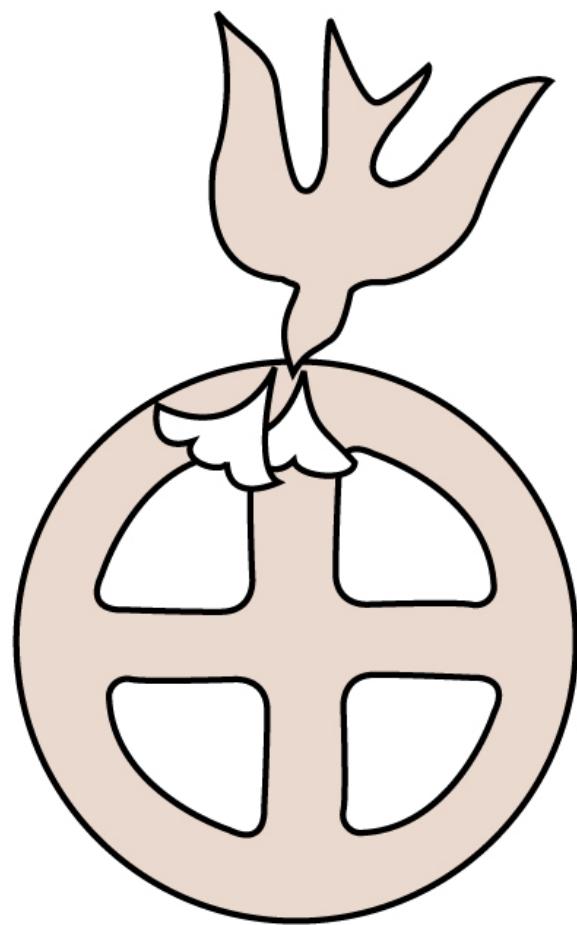


# ST. GREGORY THE GREAT EPISCOPAL CHURCH



MAY 21, 2023  
LIVE STREAMED ON YOUTUBE

10:30AM

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION \*

What happens when you are spiritually prepared and desire to receive communion, but can't? Such a case is referenced by a paragraph in the 1979 Prayer Book:

*If a person desires to receive the Sacrament, but, by reason of extreme sickness or physical disability, is unable to eat and drink the Bread and Wine, the Celebrant is to assure that person that all the benefits of Communion are received, even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth.*

A nation-wide shut down due to a pandemic fits, I'm sure we'll agree, with the words "by any other impediment" listed in the first Prayer Book. Our Lord will not cut us off from his grace. If we truly desire him, he will come to us, even if we cannot receive the Sacraments he has instituted so that we may receive his grace. This is not a new idea. St Thomas Aquinas, writing nearly 800 years ago, said:

*before receiving a sacrament, the reality of the sacrament can be had through the very desire of receiving the sacrament. Accordingly, before actual reception of this sacrament, a man can obtain salvation through the desire of receiving it, just as he can before Baptism through the desire of Baptism, as stated above (Summa, III.73.iii)*

Desiring to receive the spiritual grace of the Most Holy Eucharist (and being prevented from receiving it sacramentally) is known as Spiritual Communion. It is so very important to note that this gift is given to us when we cannot, for very good reason, be present at mass.

When you are watching a live-stream or recording of our liturgies, any of the following prayers may be said at the moment of communion when you would normally leave your pew and make your journey to the altar:

**In Union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of Your Church where Your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer You praise and thanksgiving. I believe that You are present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to You, and embrace You with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from You. Let me live and die in Your love. Amen.**

*OR*

**Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love, you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. Though I cannot physically consume these gifts of bread and wine, I thank you that I have received the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may I embody your desire, and be renewed for your service, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen. (from Enriching Our Worship 2)**

*OR*

**"My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament.  
I love you above all things and I desire you with all my heart.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were already in my heart  
and unite myself to you completely.  
Please do not let me ever be separated from you."** (by St. Alphonsus Liguori)

*\*Except where otherwise indicated, the whole of this article (with only very little amendment) is taken from the website of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where it was posted on April 5, 2020. No author was specified.*

# THE HOLY VIRTUAL EUCHARIST

The Seventh Sunday of Easter: The Sunday after Ascension Day

## THE WORD OF GOD

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Prelude

*Largo*

Arcangelo Corelli

#### Processional Hymn 450

*All hail the power of Jesus' Name!*

CORONATION

*All hail the power of Jesus' Name!*

6 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe, on this ter - res - trial

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros-trate  
2 Crown him, ye mar - tys of our God, who from his al - tar  
3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did  
\* 4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the  
\* 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm-wood and the

ball, to him a - scribe, and

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and  
2 call; praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and  
3 call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and  
4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and  
5 gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and

crown him Lord of all! to him a -

1 crown him Lord of all! bring forth the roy - al  
2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of  
3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,  
4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you  
5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

scribe, and crown him Lord of all!

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!  
2 pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!  
3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!  
4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!  
5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,  
on this terrestrial ball,  
to him all majesty ascribe,  
and crown him Lord of all!

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 351

Celebrant: *Alleluia! Christ is risen!*People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

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 S-277

*Glory to God*

David Hurd

1. Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.  
 2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you,  
 we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,  
 on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
 4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;  
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re - ceive our prayer.  
 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,  
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

## THE FIRST READING

Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

*Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.**Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36 (spoken at 8AM)**



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- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be / scattered; \*  
    let those who hate him flee be-/fore him.
- 2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it a-/way; \*  
    as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of / God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before / God; \*  
    let them also be merry and / joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the / heavens; \*  
    YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice be-/fore him!
- 5 Father of orphans, defender of / widows, \*  
    God in his holy habi-/tation!
- 6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into / freedom; \*  
    but the rebels shall live in dry / places.
- 7 O God, when you went forth before your / people, \*  
    when you marched through the / wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of / Sinai, \*  
    at the presence of God, the God of / Israel.
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your in-/heritance; \*  
    you refreshed the land when it was / weary.
- 10 Your people found their / home in it; \*  
    in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the / poor.



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- 33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the / earth; \*  
    sing praises to the / Lord.
- 34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient / heavens; \*  
    he sends forth his voice, his mighty / voice.
- 35 Ascribe power to / God; \*  
    his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the / skies.
- 36 How wonderful is God in his holy / places! \*  
    the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be / God!

**THE SECOND READING**

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

*Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
Thanks be to God.*

## Sequence Hymn 483

*The head that once was crowned with thorns*

ST. MAGNUS

1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;  
 2 The high - est place that heaven af - fords is his, is his by right,  
 3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low,  
 4 To them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given;  
 5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove,

1 a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.  
 2 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's e - ter - nal Light;  
 3 to whom he man - i - fests his love and grants his name to know.  
 4 their name, an ev - er - last - ing name; their joy, the joy of heaven.  
 5 their prof - it and their joy to know the mys - tery of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,  
 though shame and death to him:  
 his people's hope, his people's wealth,  
 their everlasting theme.

## THE GOSPEL

John 17:1-11

Celebrant: *The Holy Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, according to John.*  
 People: **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

*The Gospel of the Lord.  
 Praise to you, O Christ.*

THE SERMON: The Rev. Doug Adkins

THE NICENE CREED  
*(said by all)*

BCP 358

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.

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, especially Michael, Rob, and Don, and all priests and deacons, especially Nikki, Christina, Carol, Ellen, Doug, Dutton, and Lin;

***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed eternal rest;

***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. . . .

We give special thanks for ...

*The Celebrant adds a Collect.*

#### THE PEACE

*Celebrant:* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People:* And also with you.

#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

##### Offertory Anthem

*Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise!*

arr. Dan Forrest

If God be for us, who can be against, us?  
 He who did not spare His only Son, but gave Him up for all,  
 Shall He not with Him freely give us all things?  
     Hail the day that sees Him rise, Alleluia!  
     To His throne beyond the skies, Alleluia!  
     Christ, the Lamb for sinners giv'n, Alleluia!  
     Enters now the highest heav'n Alleluia.  
     Circled round with angel pow'r's Alleluia!  
     Their triumphant Lord and ours, Alleluia!  
     Christ has conquered death and sin, Alleluia!  
     Take the King of Glory in, Alleluia!  
 Shall He not with Him freely give us all things?  
     Alleluia!

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D

BCP 372

*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 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 sing,

\* **Sanctus S-129**

*Holy, holy, holy*

Robert Powell

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in common time and G major. The lyrics are integrated into the music, with three-measure slurs above certain groups of notes. The lyrics are:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly      Lord, God      of pow-er and  
might,      hea - ven and earth are      full of your glo - ry.      Ho -  
san - na in the      high - est.      Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the      high - est.

*Celebrant continues*

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.*

*The Celebrant continues*

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 Gregory 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 has taught us, we are bold to say

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

**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.**

\* Fraction Anthem S-161

*Lamb of God*

David Hurd

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Communion Hymn 603

*When Christ was lifted from the earth*

ST. BOTOLPH

1 When Christ was lift - ed from the earth, his  
2 Still east and west his love ex - tends and di -  
3 Where gen - er - a - tion, class, or race di -  
4 Thus free - ly loved, though ful - ly known, may  
arms stretched out a - bove through ev - ery cul - ture,  
al - ways, near or far, he calls and claims us  
vide us to our shame, he sees not la - bels  
I in Christ be free to wel - come and ac -  
ev - ery birth, to draw an an - swering love.  
as his friends and loves us as we are.  
but a face, a per - son, and a name.  
cept his own as Christ ac - cept - ed me.

## Communion Anthem

*King of all ages, throned on high*

Paul Isom

King of all ages, throned on high,  
Yet saviour too of those with faith,  
Death at your onslaught died in fear  
And grace triumphant rules supreme.  
Risen from death, the heav'ly Christ  
Receives from God the Father's hand  
Power over all created things:  
A gift he could not know on earth.  
Then at your coming on the clouds  
With shining strength to be our judge,  
Cancel the debt we owe you still,  
Give back the glory we have lost.  
Glory, glory to you, O Christ,  
Exalted from our sight,  
Reigning for ever more,  
With Father and with Paraclete.  
Amen.

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love, you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. Though I cannot physically consume these gifts of bread and wine, I thank you that I have received the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may I embody your desire, and be renewed for your service, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Enriching Our Worship 2

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 366

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 BLESSING

### Closing Hymn 494

*Crown him with many crowns*

DIADEMATA

*Descant*

5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en-throned a - bove;

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!  
 2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and  
 3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and  
 4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who  
 5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove; Crown

crown him to whom is given the won-drous name of Love.

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -  
 2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who  
 3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his  
 4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran-somed sin - ners slain, now  
 5 him the King, to whom is given the won-drous name of Love. Crown

Crown him with man-y crowns, as thrones be - fore him

1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and  
 2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu-man breast, and  
 3 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, and  
 4 lives in realms of light, where saints with an-gels sing their  
 5 him with man - y crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall, crown

fall, crown him, ye kings, for he is King of all.

1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.  
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King.  
 5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

## THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: *Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

People: **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## Postlude

*Divertimento III*

W.A. Mozart



*Special thanks to Josh Klein, Barbara Hawman, and Ron Balthazor for their music today!*

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*The altar flowers are dedicated by Stacie Court  
to the honor and glory of God,  
and in thanksgiving for Andy Quick & Sarah Kuehler,  
her children's spouses.*

## Prayers of the People

**In our Parish** we pray for Jason Vogt, Susan Dunn & family, David Kirshenblatt, Don Musholt, Beth Massey, Cayden Mitchell, Billy Hale, Bill Alworth, Stephen Morris, Barbara Johnson, Sue Bush, Janice Rusk, Jennifer Polzin, Susan Williams, Dan Williams, Pat MacKinnon, Shelby Welch, Don Downie, Olivia Carlisle, Angie Defalco, Ken Packer, Rosina, Eliot, Patricia, Ben, Mobley, Scott, and Lynn.

**In thanksgiving for those celebrating their birthday this week:** Jon Vail and Angela Greene; **and for those celebrating anniversaries:** Paul & Rebecca Welch and Luther & Carol Rogers.

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*The people listed here are prayed for by name at each Sunday service. To request prayer for yourself or someone else, please call the office (706-546-7553). If at the beginning of the next month the person needs to remain on the list, please call and give the office an update.*

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## NEXT WEEK

### PENTECOST FESTIVE COFFEE HOUR | SUNDAY, MAY 28

The Parish Life Committee is hosting a festive coffee hour after the 10:30 service on Pentecost Sunday, May 28, in the Parish Hall. Please come and bring a finger food to share---think about the colors of red, yellow, and orange... strawberries, watermelon, cantaloupe, cupcakes, chips and salsa, deviled eggs, cherry tomatoes/red, yellow, and orange peppers/carrots and dip, etc. Get creative and let's celebrate the flames of Pentecost!

### PARISH OFFICES CLOSED | MONDAY, MAY 29

Parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.

## NOTES

### COFFEE HOUR

Coffee hour needs your help! Danielle keeps us well-supplied with coffee and lemonade, but we need parishioners to sign up to bring either homemade or store-bought goodies...nothing fancy, just cookies, muffins, fruit, pastries, or cheese/crackers. There is a sign up sheet next to the kitchen counter in the Christian Education building. **Remember:** Coffee Hour is an ideal time to meet and get to know our visitors and newcomers!

### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL & CHAPEL

Children's Sunday School will continue through the month of May. We will take a summer break from Sunday School for the months of June and July, and resume in August. Children's Chapel will continue as normal throughout the summer.

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Reader: Carolyn Abney (8AM);  
Barbara Kuhn (10:30AM)  
EMs: Jane Hudson & Anna Thornton  
Crucifers: Charlotte Lamm & Karlee Bethune  
Torches: Aiden Lamm & Warren Lamm

Flowers: Mary Ann Cox  
Altar Guild: Jane Sheridan & Jenifer Marquardt  
Ushers: Anthony & Deb Garner  
Counters: Katie Hein & Lois Alworth  
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