

# Sunday, May 21, 2023 SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY



### A Service of Holy Eucharist at 10am

We are glad that you are here today. We hope that you feel right at home, whether you are a first-timer or an old-timer. Relax; you are among friends. Lift your heart and voice to the God who loves you.

However you found us, and by whatever means you are here, we are delighted to share this Way with you. If you'd like more information about St. Mary's, or would like a call from our clergy, please let us know—either in person, or by visiting <a href="https://www.GodsView.org/Connect/">www.GodsView.org/Connect/</a>

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### MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

Preacher: The Rev. Michael Burke, Rector

Celebrant: The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gómez, Associate Rector

Reader: Marcia Natrass

Voice of the People: Greg Wilkinson Prayers of People: Maggie Wilkinson

**Musicians:** Praise Singers

Media Specialists: Seth Eggleston, Jamie Aiden Green and Nicki Thurwanger

Communion Bread Baker: Laura Hanrahan

### GATHERING IN THE NAME OF GOD

**GATHERING MUSIC** • Various selections from the Liturgical Music • Praise Singers

GATHERING MUSIC • Up Above Our Heads • Traditional Gospel Song

Echo response: congregation's response in parentheses

Up above our heads (up above our heads,)
There's singin' in the air (there's singin' in the air,) -3X-

**REFRAIN:** I really do believe (*I really do believe*,)

There's a heaven somewhere (*there's a heaven somewhere*.)

Up above our heads (up above our heads,)
There's prayin' in the air (there's prayin' in the air,) -3X-

### REPEAT REFRAIN

...there's dancin' in the air...

Etc...

**WELCOME** • The Rev. Michael Burke

### \*OPENING HYMN • Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise • Hymnal #214



### \*OPENING SENTENCES

Priest Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Priest 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 Savior. *Amen.* 

### SERVICE OF THE WORD

### \*THE COLLECT

*Priest* God be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

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.* 

### FIRST READING • Acts 1:6-14

*Reader* A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

### PSALM 68

### ANTIPHON



Sing to God, O king-doms of the earth, sing to God who rides the an-cient skies a- bove.

God will arise.

let enemies be scattered;

let those who hate him flee before him.

Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away;

as the wax melts at the fire,

so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; let them also be merry and joyful.

### ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

Sing to God, sing praises to the Name; exalt the one who rides upon the heavens; YHWH is the Name.

Rejoice before God!

Guardian of orphans, defender of widows,

God in the holy habitation!

God gives the solitary a home

and brings forth prisoners into freedom;

but the rebels shall live in dry places.

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### ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

O God, when you went forth before your people, when you marched through the wilderness, 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.

You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; you refreshed the land when it was weary.

Your people dwell there;

in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

### ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

Sing to God,

O kingdoms of the earth;

sing praises to God.

who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens;

who sends forth a voice, a mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God;

his majesty is over Israel;

his strength is in the skies.

How wonderful is God in holy places!

the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!

Blessed be God!

### ANTIPHON (ALL SING)



Sing to God, O king-doms of the earth, sing to God who rides the an-cient skies a- bove.

### **SECOND READING** • 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

Reader A reading from the first letter of Peter.

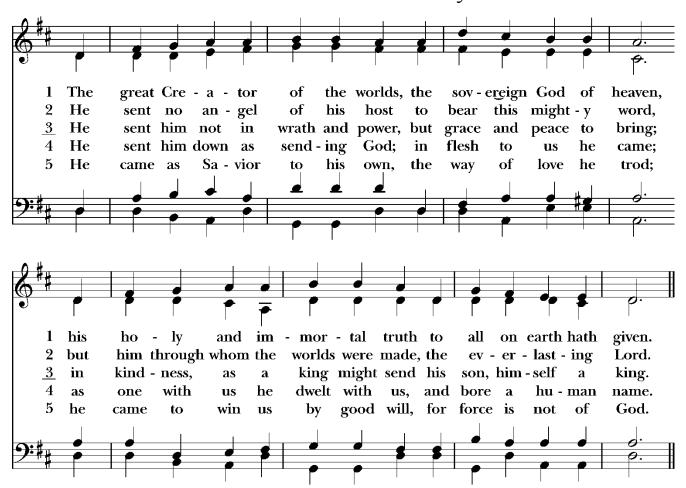
Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for 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 you may be exalted in due time. Cast all your anxiety on God, the one who 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 eternal glory in Christ, will restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To God be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

\*GOSPEL HYMN • The Great Creator of the Worlds • Hymnal #489, v. 1-3, 6



6 Not to oppress, but summon all their truest life to find, in love God sent his Son to save, not to condemn mankind.

### \*THE GOSPEL • John 17:1-11

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Priest 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.

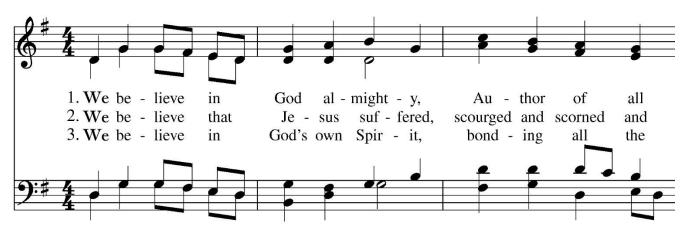
"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth 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.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**SERMON** • The Rev. Michael Burke

### \*AFFIRMING OUR FAITH





### \*THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael Curry our Presiding Bishop, *Mark* our Bishop; and all bishops and ministers;

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions, aloud or via chat boxes Hear us. Lord:

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings, aloud or via chat boxes

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions, aloud or via chat boxes

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

A Priest says a concluding collect.

### **CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION**

A Celebrant says Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

### Minister and People

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.

### A Priest 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

*Priest* The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the People may greet one another in the name of God.

### **SERVICE OF THE HOLY COMMUNION**

### **OFFERING**

Offerings toward the work and ministry of St. Mary's may be made by texting **StMarysAK** to **73256**, or at **godsview.org**.



Open. Aim. Tap.

### OFFERTORY HYMN • There's a Wideness In God's Mercy • Hymnal #470



### **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below, Praise God above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Priest* God be with you.

People And also with you.

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The priest continues

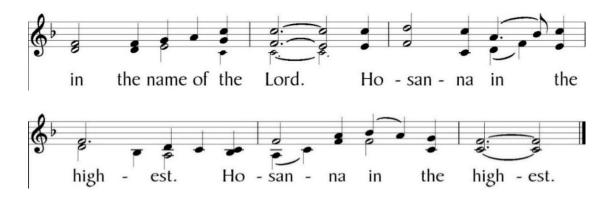
It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

### **SANCTUS**





Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.
But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.
Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus.

Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory.
Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

"Take, eat:

This is my Body which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

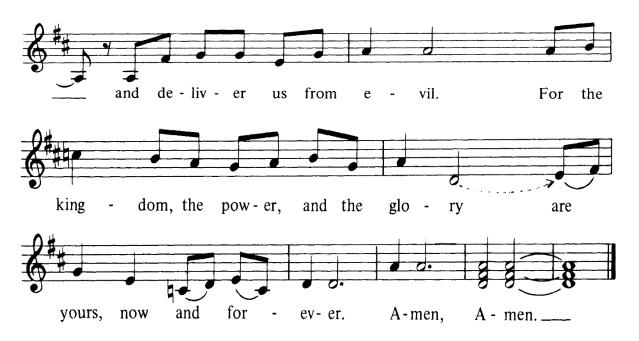
Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*.

*Priest* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, singing:





### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Priest* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

### THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

### ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE LORD'S TABLE

This is Christ's Banquet.

It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more.

So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who feel you have failed. Come, because it is Christ who invites you.

**COMMUNION HYMN** • Transfiguration (Instrumental)

(Second Communion Hymn on next page)

# **COMMUNION HYMN** • *I Believe in Ancient Wisdom* • Words: W.H. Miller, Music: *Fire at Midnight,* Ian Anderson

I believe in ancient wisdom,
Truth that stands the test of time,
Faith and history of a nation,
Handed down in prose and rhyme,
Hope and mercy and redemption,
Are the key to inner peace,
All who gather at His table,
Are invited to this feast.

You can sing of law and vengeance,
A mighty fortress is our God,
Or look upon mercy's attendance,
And choose the path the stranger trod.
Both have ample validation,
In the reading of His word,
Choose the one your soul cries out for,
Choose the one your soul has heard.

Me, I'm just a simple Christian,
Not well-versed in points of law
I cannot argue in the Temple
But I know what Jesus saw
Nailed to die for our redemption
Upon two rough-hewn planks of wood
Bleeding crying sagging dying
He did it for the common good.

There's no light without the darkness, There's no sun without the rain, There's no peace without the struggle, There's no joy without the pain, There's no Spring without the Autumn, There's no peak without the vale, There's no top without the bottom, There's no calm without the gale.

### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

After Communion, a priest says Let us pray.

God of abundance.

you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

### **BLESSING**

### SENDING OUT EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant: (Name),	n the name of this congregation, we send you to share our
Eucharist with	May you take the prayers of all of us as you deliver
the sacrament of	Christ's presence.

ALL: We who are many are one body, because we all share in the one cup!

Celebrant: Go forth in the name of God!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Watch over your child, O God, as their days increase; bless and guide them where ever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful, raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding, abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Send, O God, your blessing upon these your servants. Sustain them in their love and commitment to each other, that their home may be a place of peace and hospitality now and always. Amen.

### **SOBRIETY**

Bless, O God, your servant in their work or recovery; defend them in their sobriety; and bless them with strength and wisdom now and always. Amen.

### **WORK TRANSITION OR RETIREMENT**

Gracious God, we thank you for the work and witness of your servant(s) N. (and N.) who has (have) enriched this community and brought gladness to friends (and family); now bless and preserve them at this time of transition. Guide them in the continued use of your gifts; provide sustenance for temporal and spiritual needs, friends to cheer the way, and a clear vision of the ministry to which you are now calling them. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

### **BLESSING SONG**

May the blessing of God be upon you, the blessing of the Father and the Son. And may the Spirit of God, the Spirit of Love\*, be with you all your days.

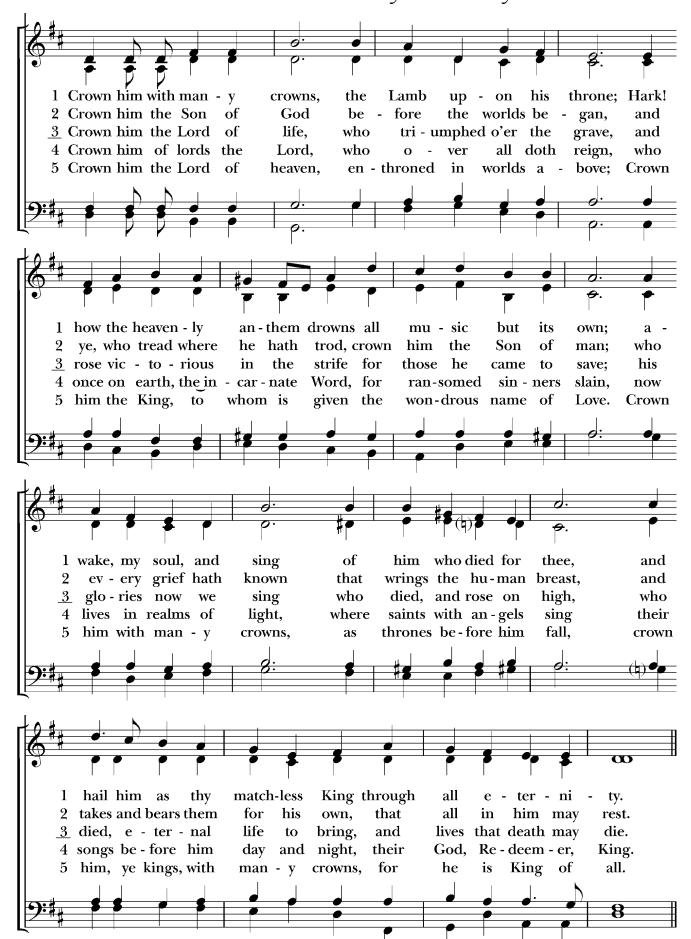
\*Spirit of Peace [second verse]

(Recessional Hymn on next page)



A moose enjoying the new grass on the St. Mary's campus.

### \*RECESSIONAL HYMN • Crown Him With Many Crowns • Hymnal #494, v. 1,3,5



### DISMISSAL

A priest says Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia! People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!



Those using Zoom are invited to join breakout rooms for conversation and fellowship.



Those on campus are invited to Waldron Hall for refreshments and conversation.

### **SPECIAL MENTION:**

## Flower dedications this week:

TRACEY BURKE TYRELL – to the glory of God

ANNE DONAGHY – in memory of Tay and Lowell, and also for the Thomas' wedding anniversary

The donnts for this week were brought to you by:

THE DEHART-MAYOR FAMILY

\*There are no flower or donut sponsors for next week (Pentecost). If you would like to sponsor either, please find the sign-up binders in the narthex. **Thank you!** 



# Pentecost Sunday Sunday, May 28 Next Sunday we celebrate the many gifts that the Spirit gives to all God's people. You are invited to wear red, if you'd like - the liturgical color for this feast day.



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### THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

May 21-28

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<u>Sunday, May 21 — Sunday after</u> <u>Ascension Day</u>

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist Chapel

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online;

ID 940 3189 1877

11:30 am **Parish Picnic**Waldron Hall and Front Lawn

Monday, May 22

No scheduled events

<u>Tuesday, May 23 – Last day of</u> school!

No scheduled events

Wednesday, May 24

7 am Service of Holy Eucharist Sanctuary & online; ID 584 949 088

6:15 pm Choir Practice Sanctuary

Thursday, May 25

7 am Men's Group

Waldron Hall

6:30 Celtic Spirituality

Online; ID 862 6159 1234

7 pm Bible Workbench

Online; ID 821 8564 8348

Friday, May 26

No scheduled events

Saturday, May 27

No scheduled events

Sunday, May 28 - Pentecost

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist Chapel

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online;

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11:30 am Sermon Circle

Cay's Room

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