

ST. JAMES' ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

May 14, 2023

Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

Incumbent: The Venerable John E. Anderson

Celebrant: The Reverend Carol Hardie

Director of Music: Jeff Campbell

Prelude "Canon in D"*Jeff Campbell, organ**J. Pachelbel*Processional Hymn 425 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"*Hymn To Joy*WelcomeGathering of the Community

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ has risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant Christ promised that he would not leave his followers alone.

People Praise God for his presence with us now and always.

Celebrant Christ promised that because he lives, we will live also.

Praise God for Christ's presence in our lives.

People Come, let us worship the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Celebrant Almighty God,

**All to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you
no secrets are hidden. 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.**The Gathering Hymn 9 "Today, I Awake"*Slithers Of Gold*

The Gathering Prayer

Three-fold God of love, you invite us to abide in you. May we follow the Spirit of truth, so that through us your commanding love may speak to the heart of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt.*

Proclamation of the Word

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

Acts 17:22-31 page 1076

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God**

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER

1 Peter 3:13-22 page 1178

Here what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation "Open My Eyes That I May See"
see back of bulletin for music

Open My Eyes

V1 Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me; place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see; open my eyes illumine me, Spirit divine!

V2 Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear, and while the wave-notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see; open my eyes illumine me, Spirit divine!

The Gospel Reading

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John,

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

John 14: 15-21 page 1046

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation "Open My Eyes That I May See"
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Open My Eyes

V3 Open my mouth and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere; open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see; open my eyes illumine me, Spirit divine!

Sermon The Reverend Carol Hardie

Solo "Give Me An Understanding Heart"
Alexandra Teske, soprano

A. Rubinstein

Give me, O Lord, I pray, an understanding heart, that I may know Thy love and share it with Thy children; O let my words confess Thy glorious works and wisdom, and let my life show forth the bounty of Thy goodness.

For all Thy blessings, Lord, I praise Thy glorious name; I praise Thee evermore for all Thy kindness. In showing love to all, I show my love for Thee, in living love, I give my love to Thee.

Give me, O Lord, I pray, an understanding heart, that I may know Thy love and share it with Thy children; Oh let Thy love shine forth in all I think and say. Oh let Thy love appear in all I do; Thy love shall ever be my shield and stay, to guide me through the gloom to cloudless day.

Oh give me of Thy wisdom, Lord, that I may ever glorify Thy name for ever more.

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles Creed

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third

day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Musical Meditation "Seek Ye First"

Lafferty

see back of bulletin for music

V1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

V2 Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

The Prayers of the People Mae Cox, Lay-reader

Musical Meditation "Seek Ye First"

Lafferty

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V3 You shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God. Allelu, alleluia!

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

(Silence)

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.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon you 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. People Amen.

The Peace *(Please stand if able)*

When Jesus came to his disciples during Easter season, passing through walls and locked doors, he greeted them, saying, "Peace be with you!" And so, I invite you to greet one another with the words, "Peace be with you,"
"And also with you."

*(All may exchange a sign of peace with a bow, a smile
 but please no physical contact)*

Offertory Hymn "Lord, I Want To Be A Christian In My Heart"

see back of bulletin for music

I Want To Be A Christian

V1 Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart. In my heart, in my heart. Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

V2 Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart. In my heart, in my heart. Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

V3 Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. In my heart, in my heart. Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

V4 Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart. In my heart, in my heart. Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen. *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.*

Eucharistic Prayer #4 (BAS pg. 201)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant 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.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant 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.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant 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.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant 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:

Sanctus (CP 732)

Community Mass/R. Proulx

**All 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.**

Celebrant 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."

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant 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.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant 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.

All Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Lord, we died with you on the cross.
Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.
Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

The Communion

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

Agnus Dei (CP 747)*R. Proulx*

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world, give us your peace, give us your peace.

Communion MusicHymn 232 "Jesus Is Risen From The Grave"*Childer*Hymn 77 "The Son of God Proclaim"*Sunderland*

Prayer After Communion

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, so that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen. *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.*

Celebrant Glory to God,

All Whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant Go from this place, speaking of what God has done.

All We will remind everyone that, despite everything, God loves us.

Celebrant Go from this place, singing of what God is doing.

All We will rejoice that God has not left us orphaned, but makes us one with everyone around us.

Celebrant Go from this place, imagining what God will do.

All We will witness to that hope which seems too distant, yet is as close to us as our hearts.

BlessingAnnouncements

Recessional 362 "Tell Out, My Soul"

Woodlands

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Sung Benediction "May The Blessing Of God Be Upon You" William Wright

(Please join with the choir in singing)

May the blessing of God be upon you. May God's love light all your way. May the grace of Christ enfold you and peace around you stay. May the Spirit of God dwell within you. May you live in joy each day.

Postlude "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"
Jeff Campbell, organ

H. Hopson

*We wish to thank Alexandra Teske & The St James Choir
for sharing their musical gifts with us this morning.*

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A Prayer for Mother's Day

Mother God, on this day we celebrate and honor our mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers, and others who have been like mothers to us. We mourn with those who are missing their mothers and loved ones. We grieve with those for whom this day is difficult, for those who have lost a child or are unable to have children. We remember that You are our Mother and Father, the Creator of us all, and in Your image we are beautifully made. We are loved. We are Your children. You mourn with us, You laugh with us, You celebrate with us. May we celebrate You today as we share together. Amen

THE BIBLE
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Open my eyes, that I may see

OPEN MY EYES 8 8 9 8 with refrain

Ab Eb7/Bb Eb7 Ab6 Ab

1. O-pen my eyes, that I may see glimps-es of truth thou hast for me;
2. O-pen my ears, that I may hear voic-es of truth thou send-est clear,
3. O-pen my mouth, and let me bear glad-ly the warm truth eve-ry-where;

C7/G Fm C7/E Fm C7 Fm Bb Eb

place in my hands the won-der-ful key that shall un-clasp and set me free.
and while the wave-notes fall on my ear, eve-ry-thing false will dis-ap-pear.
o - pen my heart and let me pre-pare love with thy chil-dren thus to share.

Refrain
Ab Eb7/Bb Eb7 Ab

Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy will to see;

(Eb/Bb Ab/C) Ab7C# Db(6) Eb7 Ab

o - pen my eyes:
o - pen my ears: il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
o - pen my heart:

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Seek Ye First

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia,

1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God
 2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you;
 3 You shall not live by bread a - lone,

al - le - lu - ia,

and seek, its and righ - teous - ness,
 but by you shall find;
 every word

al - le - lu - ia,

and all these things shall be add - ed un - to you.
 knock, and the door shall be o - pened un - to you.
 that pro - ceeds from the mouth of God.

al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

29 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

1 Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart, in my heart;
 2 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart, in my heart;
 3 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart, in my heart;
 4 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart,
 In my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

429 May the Blessing of God Be upon You

May the bless - ing of God be up - on you. May God's
 love light all your way. May the grace of Christ en - fold you
 and peace a - round you stay. May the Spir - it of God
 dwell with - in you. May you live in joy each day.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The score concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.