

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
May 08, Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Entrance Hymn ***Holy God We Praise Thy Name*** ***X 366 (p. 1-4)***

**HOLY GOD WE PRAISE THY NAME,
LORD OF ALL, WE BOW BEFORE THEE;
ALL ON EARTH THY SCEPTER CLAIM,
ALL IN HEAVEN ABOVE ADORE THEE;
INFINITE THY VAST DOMAIN,
EVERLASTING IS THY REIGN.**

**HARK, THE LOUD CELESTIAL HYMN
ANGEL CHOIRS ABOVE ARE RAISING;
CHERUBIM AND SERAPHIM,
IN UNCEASING CHORUS PRAISING,
FILL THE HEAVENS WITH SWEET ACCORD:
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD!**

**LO, THE APOSTOLIC TRAM JOIN,
THY SACRED NAME TO HALLOW;
PROPHETS SWELL THE LOUD REFRAIN,
AND THE WHITE ROBED MARTYRS FOLLOW;
AND FROM MORN TILL SET OF SUN,
THROUGH THE CHURCH THE SONG GOES ON.**

**HOLY FATHER, HOLY SON, HOLY SPIRIT,
THREE WE NAME THEE,
WHILE IN ESSENCE ONLY ONE,
UNDIVIDED GOD WE CLAIM THEE;
THEN, ADORING, BEND THE KNEE
AND CONFESS THE MYSTERY.**

Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant **ALLELUIA. CHRIST IS RISEN.**
People **THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED. ALLELUIA.**

Collect for Purity

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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 WORSHIPFULLY MAGNIFY YOUR HOLY NAME; THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD. Amen.

GLORIA

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GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH.

**LORD GOD, HEAVENLY KING, ALMIGHTY GOD AND FATHER,
WE WORSHIP YOU, WE GIVE YOU THANKS, WE PRAISE YOU FOR YOUR GLORY.**

**LORD JESUS CHRIST, ONLY SON OF THE FATHER, LORD GOD, LAMB OF GOD,
YOU TAKE AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD: HAVE MERCY ON US;
YOU ARE SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FATHER: RECEIVE OUR PRAYER.**

**FOR YOU ALONE ARE THE HOLY ONE, YOU ALONE ARE THE LORD, YOU ALONE ARE THE MOST HIGH,
JESUS CHRIST, WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT, IN THE GLORY OF GOD THE FATHER. Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Celebrant **THE LORD BE WITH YOU.**
People **AND ALSO WITH YOU.**
Celebrant **LET US PRAY.**

O GOD, WHOSE SON JESUS IS THE GOOD SHEPHERD OF YOUR PEOPLE: GRANT THAT WHEN WE HEAR HIS VOICE WE MAY KNOW HIM WHO CALLS US EACH BY NAME, AND FOLLOW WHERE HE LEADS; WHO, WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, LIVES AND REIGNS, ONE GOD, FOR EVER AND EVER. Amen.

THE FIRST READING

ACTS 9:36-43

THE PEOPLE SIT.

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 BUNICS 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.

LECTOR: THE WORD OF THE LORD.

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.**

Second Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

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."

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

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Savior, like a shepherd lead us;
much we need thy tender care
In thy pleasant pastures feed us;
for our use thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

Early let us seek thy favor,
early let us learn thy will;
do thou, Lord, our only savior,
with thy love our bosoms fill.
Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus!
Thou hast loved us: love us still.

THE GOSPEL

John 10:22-30

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

People 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."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dorian Del Priore

Nicene Creed

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

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All remain standing.

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 Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Daniel, our Bishop; for Andrew, Dorsey, and Frank, our Bishops retired, and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

**Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.**

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

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings

**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.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

**LORD, let YOUR LOVING-KINDNESS BE UPON THEM;
WHO PUT THEIR TRUST IN YOU.**

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

HOLY CROSS PRAYER

ALMIGHTY GOD, whose son was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world into his saying embrace: Bless, preserve, and nurture all your people, and especially the people of Holy Cross, that we may grow in you. Renew us by the power of your Holy Spirit that our love deepens, our faith is confirmed and our commitment to your service endures. Give us the power to offer you all we have, believing that you will bless it and make it an abundant offering to the world in your name. And as you transform our gifts O Lord, transform us. That we may become your disciples, who know Christ and make Him known. For it is in your name that we pray, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Amen.

The Peace

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Celebrant **The peace of the Lord be always with you.**
People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

OFFERTORY

At the Cross (Love Ran Red)

**THERE'S A PLACE, WHERE MERCY REIGNS, AND NEVER DIES
THERE'S A PLACE, WHERE STREAMS OF GRACE, FLOW DEEP AND WIDE**

**ALL THE LOVE, I'VE EVER FOUND
COMES LIKE A FLOOD, COMES FLOW - ING DOWN**

**AT THE CROSS, AT THE CROSS
I SURRENDER MY LIFE
I'M IN AWE OF YOU; I'M IN AWE OF YOU
WHERE YOUR LOVE RAN RED, AND MY SINS WASHED WHITE
I OWE ALL TO YOU, I OWE ALL TO YOU
JESUS**

**THERE'S A PLACE, WHERE SIN AND SHAME ARE POWERLESS
WHERE MY HEART, HAS PEACE WITH GOD, AND FORGIVENESS
ALL THE LOVE, I'VE EVER FOUND
COMES LIKE A FLOOD, COMES FLOWING DOWN**

At the cross, at the cross
I surrender my life
I'm in awe of You; I'm in awe of You
Where Your love ran red, and my sins washed white
I owe all to You, I owe all to You

Here my hope is found, here on holy ground
Here I bow down, here I bow down
Here arms open wide, here You saved my life
Here I bow down, here I bow

At the cross, at the cross
I surrender my life
I'm in awe of You; I'm in awe of You
Where Your love ran red, and my sins washed white
I owe all to You, I owe all to You
I owe all to You, I owe all to You
Jesus (Savior of the world) Jesus (Savior of the world)
Your love ran red
Your love ran red

The Great Thanksgiving: 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 him 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 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.

Sanctus

PSB 94

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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AS OUR SAVIOR CHRIST HAS TAUGHT US, WE NOW PRAY,

People and Celebrant

**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 FOREVER. AMEN.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION

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ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA.

CHRIST OUR PASSOVER IS SACRIFICED FOR US;

THEREFORE LET US KEEP THE FEAST.

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA.

INVITATION

The Celebrant says

THE GIFTS OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

ALL are invited to JOIN THE PARISH FAMILY at the ALTAR RAIL and to receive the Sacrament; IF YOU DO NOT DESIRE to receive the Sacrament, you are invited to come FORWARD to receive a BLESSING (please indicate you desire a BLESSING BY CROSSING YOUR ARMS OVER YOUR CHEST).

GLUTEN FREE COMMUNION IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. Please let the Priest know at the rail.

COMMUNION SONGS

O Come to the Altar

ARE YOU HURTING AND BROKEN WITHIN?

OVERWHELMED BY THE WEIGHT OF YOUR SIN?

JESUS IS CALLING.

HAVE YOU COME TO THE END OF YOURSELF?

DO YOU THIRST FOR A DRINK FROM THE WELL?

JESUS IS CALLING.

O COME TO,

THE ALTAR,

THE FATHER'S ARMS ARE OPEN WIDE,

FORGIVENESS,

WAS BOUGHT WITH,

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST.

LEAVE BEHIND YOUR REGRETS AND MISTAKES,

COME TODAY THERE'S NO REASON TO WAIT,

JESUS IS CALLING.

BRING YOUR SORROWS AND TRADE THEM FOR JOY,

FROM THE ASHES A NEW LIFE IS BORN,

JESUS IS CALLING.

O COME TO,

THE ALTAR,

THE FATHER'S ARMS ARE OPEN WIDE,

FORGIVENESS,

WAS BOUGHT WITH,

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST.

OH WHAT A SAVIOUR,

ISN'T HE WONDERFUL,

SING HALLELUJAH CHRIST IS RISEN,

BOW DOWN BEFORE HIM,

FOR HE IS LORD OF ALL,

SING HALLELUJAH CHRIST IS RISEN.

O COME TO,

THE ALTAR,

THE FATHER'S ARMS ARE OPEN WIDE,

FORGIVENESS,

WAS BOUGHT WITH,

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST.

BEAR YOUR CROSS AS YOU WAIT FOR THE CROWN

TELL THE WORLD OF THE TREASURE YOU FOUND

ALL WHO ARE THIRSTY

**ALL WHO ARE THIRSTY, ALL WHO ARE WEAK.
COME TO THE FOUNTAIN,
DIP YOUR HEART IN THE STREAM OF LIFE.**

**LET THE PAIN AND THE SORROW
BE WASHED AWAY,
IN THE WAVES OF HIS MERCY
AS DEEP CRIES OUT TO DEEP, WE SING,**

**COME LORD JESUS, COME.
COME LORD JESUS, COME.
COME LORD JESUS, COME.
COME LORD JESUS, COME.**

**ALL WHO ARE THIRSTY, ALL WHO ARE WEAK.
COME TO THE FOUNTAIN,
DIP YOUR HEART IN THE STREAM OF LIFE.**

**LET THE PAIN AND THE SORROW
BE WASHED AWAY,
IN THE WAVES OF HIS MERCY
AS DEEP CRIES OUT TO DEEP, WE SING,**

**COME LORD JESUS, COME.
COME LORD JESUS, COME.
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COME LORD JESUS, COME.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

AFTER COMMUNION, THE CELEBRANT SAYS

LET US PRAY.

Celebrant and People

**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

The Priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. Amen.

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. Amen.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

Concluding Processional

Revelation Song

Phillips, Craig & Dean

**Worthy is the
Lamb who was slain
Holy, Holy, is He**

**Sing a new song
to Him who sits on
Heaven's Mercy Seat**

**Worthy is the
Lamb who was slain
Holy, Holy, is He**

**Sing a new song
to Him who sits on
Heaven's Mercy Seat**

**Holy, Holy, Holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come**

**With all creation I sing:
Praise to the King of Kings!
You are my everything,
And I will adore You!**

**CLOTHED IN RAINBOWS
OF LIVING COLOR
FLASHES OF LIGHTNING,
ROLLS OF THUNDER**

**BLESSING AND HONOR,
STRENGTH AND
GLORY AND POWER BE
TO YOU THE ONLY WISE KING,**

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
IS THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY
WHO WAS, AND IS, AND IS TO COME**

**WITH ALL CREATION I SING:
PRAISE TO THE KING OF KINGS!
YOU ARE MY EVERYTHING,
AND I WILL ADORE YOU!**

**FILLED WITH WONDER,
ASTRUCK WONDER
AT THE MENTION OF YOUR NAME**

**JESUS, YOUR NAME IS POWER,
BREATH, AND LIVING WATER,
SUCH A MARVELOUS MYSTERY**

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
IS THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY
WHO WAS, AND IS, AND IS TO COME**

**WITH ALL CREATION I SING:
PRAISE TO THE KING OF KINGS!
YOU ARE MY EVERYTHING,
AND I WILL ADORE YOU!**

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
IS THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY
WHO WAS, AND IS, AND IS TO COME**

**WITH ALL CREATION I SING:
PRAISE TO THE KING OF KINGS!
YOU ARE MY EVERYTHING,
AND I WILL ADORE YOU!**

DISMISSAL

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Celebrant

**Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia,
alleluia.**

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.