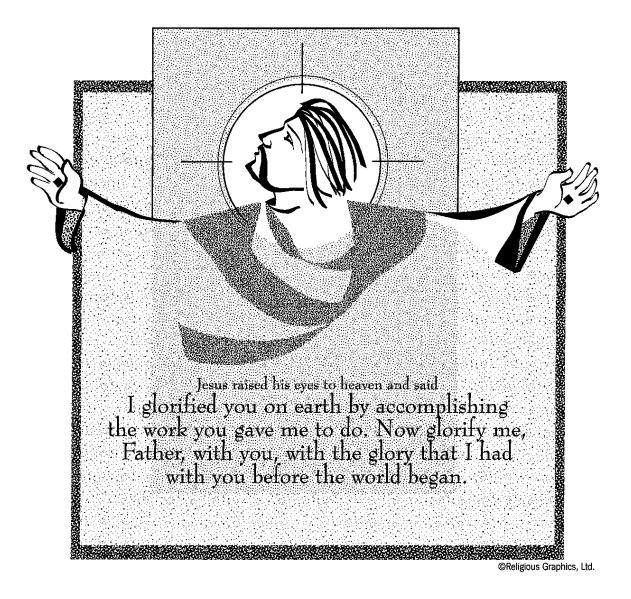
St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Seventh Sunday of Easter May 21, 2023



HOLY EUCHARIST IN-PERSON & LIVE STREAM 9:00 a.m.

Vestry Meeting – today after service

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Musubi Outreach Donations of bottled water are welcome

OPENING HYMN #460 – Alleluia sing to Jesus

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Celebrant will give a few announcements after which the congregation will be invited into a time of silence for prayer and reflection.

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*.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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*.



Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Celebrant 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*.

The people are seated for the Lessons.

FIRST LESSON

Reader A reading from Acts 1:6-14

As a result, those who had gathered together asked Jesus, "Lord, are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel now?"

Jesus replied, "It isn't for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has set by his own authority. Rather, 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 end of the earth."

After Jesus said these things, as they were watching, he was lifted up and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going away and as they were staring toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood next to them. They said, "Galileans, why are you standing here, looking toward heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way that you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, which is near Jerusalem—a sabbath day's journey away. When they entered the city, they went to the upstairs room where they were staying. Peter, John, James, and Andrew; Philip and Thomas; Bartholomew and Matthew; James, Alphaeus' son; Simon the zealot; and Judas, James' son—all were united in their devotion to prayer, along with some women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

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

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 68:1-10, 33-36

¹ Let God arise, and let his ene- | mies be scattered;*

let those who hate him | flee before him.

² 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 pres- / ence of God.

³ But let the righteous be glad and rejoice | before God;*

let them also be mer- / ry and joyful.

⁴ Sing to God, sing praises to his name; exalt him who rides up- | on the heavens;* *YAHWEH is his name, re- | joice before him!*

⁵ Father of orphans, defend- | er of widows,*

God in his holy | habitation!

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 be- | fore 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 inheritance;*

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.

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 pow- | er 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!

SECOND LESSON

Reader A reading from 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Dear friends, don't be surprised about the fiery trials that have come among you to test you. These are not strange happenings. Instead, rejoice as you share Christ's suffering. You share his suffering now so that you may also have overwhelming joy when his glory is revealed. If you are mocked because of Christ's name, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory—indeed, the Spirit of God—rests on you.

Therefore, humble yourselves under God's power so that he may raise you up in the last day. Throw all your anxiety onto him, because he cares about you. Be clearheaded. Keep alert. Your accuser, the devil, is on the prowl like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith. Do so in the knowledge that your fellow believers are enduring the same suffering throughout the world. After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, the one who called you into his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, will himself restore, empower, strengthen, and establish you. To him be power forever and always. Amen.

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People Thanks be to God.

The congregation stands for the gospel.

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA! GIVE THANKS TO THE RISEN LORD

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his Name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.

He is the King of creation.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his Name.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

THE GOSPEL: John 17:1-11

When Jesus finished saying these things, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son, so that the Son can glorify you. You gave him authority over everyone so that he could give eternal life to everyone you gave him. This is eternal life: to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you sent. I have glorified you on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. Now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I shared with you before the world was created.

"I have revealed your name to the people you gave me from this 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 comes from you. This is because I gave them the words that you gave me, and they received them. They truly understood that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me.

"I'm praying for them. I'm not praying for the world but for those you gave me, because they are yours. Everything that is mine is yours and everything that is yours is mine; I have been glorified in them. I'm no longer in the world, but they are in the world, even as I'm coming to you. Holy Father, watch over them in your name, the name you gave me, that they will be one just as we are one.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord
People Praise to you, Lord Christ

THE SERMON

The Rev. Charles A. Browning II

After the homily is a period of silence. After this, the congregation is invited to stand. Let us reaffirm our faith, using the words of the Nicene Creed. Christians, what do we believe?

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

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 our bishop, Robert, and all bishops, priests, and deacons; *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, especially for our President Joe; our Vice President Kamala, Our Governor Josh; our Mayor Rick; and for the Congress and Courts of the United States;

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, especially Albert Oki Dorothy Koike and Harry Ushijima;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We pray for those celebrating anniversaries, especially Fr. Charles & Cainna Browning;

That they continue to know you as the source of true love.

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:

Silence. The People are invited to offer their own thanksgiving and petitions.

Celebrant We thank you, heavenly Father, that you have delivered us from the dominion of sin and death and brought us into the kingdom of your Son; and we pray that, as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his love he may raise us to eternal joys; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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

Celebrant Please share with one another a sign of God's peace.

During this time, the shares signs of peace and returns to their seats as the offering plate is presented at the altar and the Eucharist is made ready.

DOXOLOGY

Ho'o – na – ni I ka Ma – ku – a mau, Ke Kei – ki me ka 'U – ha – ne no, Ke Aku – a mau ho'o – mai – ka'I pu, Ko ke – ia ao, ko ke – la ao. A – mene.

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

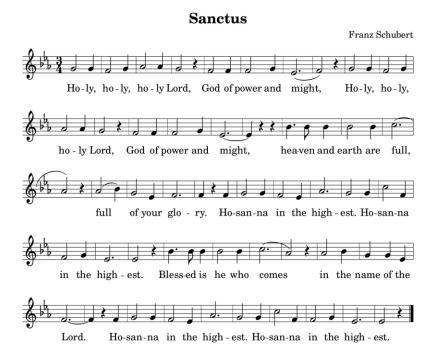
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is 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 say,

Celebrant and People



Then the 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.

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.

Remember Robert our bishop and all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all who have suffered in this time of pandemic.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary our matron, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Mary the Magdalene the first proclaimer of the resurrection, with the Holy Sovereigns Kamehameha IV and Emma, with Lili'uokalani 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,

Lord's Prayer



The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant Jesus said, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has

eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day."

People His flesh is true food and His blood is true drink. Lord, nourish

us always.

The congregation is invited to receive the Holy Communion. The bread will be placed in the hand. Wine is to be received by sipping the chalice, or by allowing the chalice-bearer to dip the bread and return it to the communicant's hand.

All baptized Christians, regardless of church affiliation, are invited to receive Holy Communion in this church.

COMMUNION HYMN #494 – Crown him with many crowns



- 1. Your loving mercy is as high as heaven and your truth so perfect.
- And so, O Lord, protect us beneath your wings and let peace be our portion now and forever more.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

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 Celebrant blesses the people with the following words

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Celebrant The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight; and the blessing of God, who is ka Makua, ke Keiki, and ka 'Uhane Hemolele, be with you now and mau loa. *Amene*.

CLOSING HYMN – All hail the power of Jesus' name

1 All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

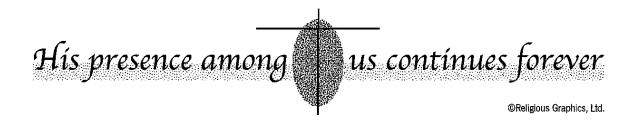
2 Crown him, ye martyrs of our God, who from his altar call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all! 3 Hail him, the Heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call, the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all!

4 'Oukou i noho na 'aupo A puka mai ke ao; Ho mai i lei hoano no No lesu ke 'Li 'i mau; Ho mai i lei hoano no No lesu ke 'Li'l mau. Amene.

Translation Verse 4:

You remain in ignorance/darkness Until the opening of the day Give a Holy Crown (lei) Because Jesus is King forever

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia! Alleluia! People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!



Celebrant
The Rev. Charles A. Browning II

Organist Richert Au Hoy

Song Leader Cainna Browning

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