

Seventh Sunday of Easter Eucharist
St. Andrew's Church
May 12, 2024

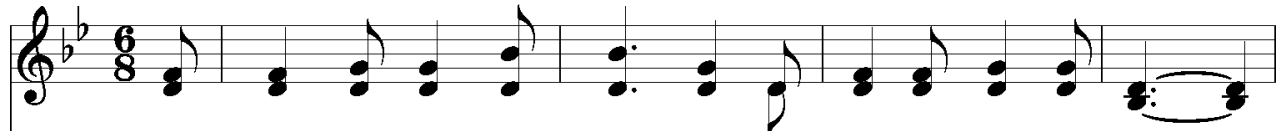


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church is called to love God and to love one another through worship, fellowship, education, and outreach; and looks for opportunities to collaborate and serve throughout our community and the world.

All stand.

Opening Hymn LEVAS #42

I serve a risen Savior



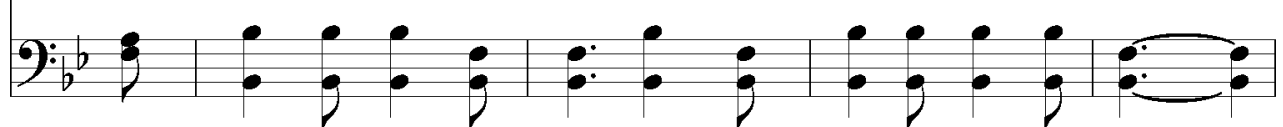
1. I serve a ris - en Sav - ior, He's in the world to - day; ___
2. In all the world a - round me I see His lov - ing care; ___
3. Re - joice, re - joice. O Chris - tian, lift up your voice and sing. ___



1. I know that He is liv - ing, what - ev - er oth - ers say; ___
2. And though my heart grows wea - ry I nev - er will de - spair; ___
3. E - ter - nal hal - le - lu - jahs to Je - sus Christ, the King! ___



1. I see His hand of mer - cy, I hear His voice of cheer; ___
2. I know that He is lead - ing through all the storm - y blast; ___
3. The hope of all who seek Him, the help of all who find; ___



1. And just the time I need Him ___ He's al - ways near. ___
2. The day of His ap - pear - ing ___ will come at last. ___
3. None oth - er is so lov - ing, ___ so good and kind. ___



He lives, He lives, Christ Je - sus lives to - day!

He lives, He lives,

He walks with me and talks with me a - long life's nar - row way.

He lives, He lives, sal - va - tion to im - part!

He lives, He lives,

You ask me how I know He lives? He lives with-in my heart.

Opening Acclamation

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

Christ our Passover

Pascha nostrum (Order of St. Helena)

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *

therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *

death no longer has dominion.

The death that Christ died was death to sin, once for all; *

but the life Christ lives, is life to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *

and alive to God in Christ Jesus. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, *

the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a human being came death, *

by human being has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, *

so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **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.**

Please be seated.

LEM

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us,

beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

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

LECTOR

Psalm of the day

Psalm 1

read responsively, by half verse.

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

LECTOR

A Reading from the First Letter of John

1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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

Gradual Hymn LEVAS #43

Because He Lives

1. God sent His Son, — they called Him Je - sus; — He came to love, —
2. How sweet to hold — a new-born ba - by, — And feel the pride, —
3. And then one day — I'll cross the riv - er; — I'll fight life's fi -

1. — heal, and for - give; — He lived and died — to buy my
2. — and joy he gives; — But great - er still — the calm as -
3. - nal war with pain; — And then as death — gives way to

1. par-don, — An emp - ty grave is there to prove my Sav - ior lives. —
2. sur - ance, — This child can face un - cer - tain days be - cause He lives. —
3. vic - t'ry, — I'll see the lights of glo - ry and I'll know He lives. —

Be - cause He lives — I can face to - mor - row; — Be - cause He lives —

— all fear is gone; Be - cause I know He holds the

fu - ture, And life is worth the liv - ing just be - cause He lives.

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Enriching our Music #119

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in G major. The melody in the treble staff begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The bass line starts with a half note G2, followed by quarter notes A2, B2, and C3. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!
Hal - le - lu - jah!

The second system continues the melody. The treble staff has a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, followed by a half note G4. The bass line has a half note G2, quarter notes A2, B2, and C3, followed by a half note G2. The lyrics are split across two lines.

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

The third system continues the melody. The treble staff has a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, followed by a half note G4. The bass line has a half note G2, quarter notes A2, B2, and C3, followed by a half note G2. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

The fourth system concludes the piece. The treble staff has a half note G4, quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, followed by a half note G4. The bass line has a half note G2, quarter notes A2, B2, and C3, followed by a half note G2. The lyrics are split across two lines.

The Holy Gospel

John 17:6-19

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John. Alleluia, alleluia.

All: **Glory to you, O Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "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. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

Celebrant: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

All: **Praise to you, O Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

(See music above)

Enriching our Music #119

The Sermon

A Celtic Creed

Iona Abbey Worship Book, page 38

**We believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon, of water and earth, of all humanity.**

**We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh,
born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to a tree.
A man of sorrows, he died forsaken. He descended into the earth to the place of death.
On the third day he rose from the tomb.**

He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present, and His kingdom will come on earth.

We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire, life-giving breath of the Church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness, source of resurrection and of eternal life. Amen.

LEM

The Prayers of the People

Remain standing. The people are encouraged to add their own petitions.

LEM: Heavenly Father, hear us as we pray for the unity of the Church. We pray especially for Michael, the Presiding Bishop; for Matt, Allen, Mary, and the diocesan ministry team; for Allison, our priest-in-charge; for Deacon Christy; for all churches in New Paltz, especially Redeemer Lutheran and New Paltz United Methodist Church; for all Episcopal churches in Ulster county, and for all lay people in their ministries;

All: **May we all be one that the world may believe.**

LEM: We remember those who have died, and those we now name. *[Please add your own names, aloud]*. Gracious God,

All: **into your hands we commend them.**

LEM: We praise you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.

All: **May we also come to share your heavenly realm.**

LEM: Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief, or trouble, *especially: E.J., Charles, Helen, Sheila, Louise, DuSean, Mary, Caroline, Edna, Oriana, Gabriel, Joan, Sara, Joe, Linda, Sandra, Jack, Charles and Janet and Family, Vicky, Anita and Rich, Beverly, Jodie and Joe, Nancy, Alison* and those we now name. *[Please add your own names, aloud]*. Jesus,

All: **in your presence may they find strength.**

LEM: Loving God,

Thank you for mothers and children and for all the joy of family life.

Be with those who are grieving because they have no mother;

Be close to those who are struggling because they have no children;

Be near to those who are sad because they are far apart from those they love;

Thank you for those who act as mothers to people they love.

All: **Let your love be present in every home, and may all families have access to resources to survive and thrive.**

LEM: Look with your kindness on our homes and families, for those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, or accomplishments, and those we now name. *[Please add your own names, aloud]*. Loving God,

All: **grant that your love may grow in our hearts.**

LEM: Make us alive to the needs of our community.
All: **Help us share one another's joys and burdens.**

LEM: Inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world, especially in the United States, Russia and Ukraine, Israel and Palestine, and in other places of conflict.
All: **Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.**

LEM: Strengthen all who minister in Christ's name.
All: **Give us courage to proclaim your Gospel.**

LEM: Risen Christ, whose absence leaves us paralyzed, but whose presence is overwhelming: breathe on us with your abundant life; that where we cannot see we may have courage to believe that we may be raised with you. **Amen.**
Alleluia!

The Peace

Remain standing.

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

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant: Let us present ourselves, our time, talent and treasure, our hopes and fears, with gladness to the Lord.

Offertory Hymn #460

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the
 *2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the
 *5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the
 2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is
 3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the
 4 Lord of lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! born of
 5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the
 2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the
 3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -
 4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -
 5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,
 4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Spirit of God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift your hearts to heaven,

All: **Where Christ in glory reigns.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to God.

All: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: Eternal Wisdom, source of our being
and goal of all our longing,
we praise you and give you thanks
because you created us, fully human,
together in your image
to cherish your world and seek your face.
Divided and disfigured by sin,
while we were yet helpless,
you emptied yourself of power
and took upon you our unprotected flesh.

All: **We acclaim you, O Christ;
The bonds of sin and death could not contain you.**

Celebrant: You broke forth from the comfort of the grave;
before you the stone was moved,
and the tomb of our world was opened wide.
For on this day you were raised in power
and revealed yourself as a beloved stranger,
offering for the rituals of the dead
the terror of new life and of desire fulfilled.
Therefore, with the woman who gave you birth,
the apostles who followed you,
the women who befriended you and fed you,
the friends who met you, risen from the dead,
the witnesses who proclaim your reign
throughout all the ages, and with all creation
we praise you, saying

Hymn

LEVAS #256

Sanctus

Leader
(piano) Ho - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow'r_ and might, heav - en 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: Blessed is our brother Jesus,
 who walks with us the road of our grief,
 and is known again in the breaking of bread;
 who, on the night he was handed over,
 took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and said:
 “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.”

In the same way Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, gave it to them, and
 said: “Drink this, all of you. This cup is the new Covenant in my blood. Do this
 whenever you drink it, to remember me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Hymn LEVAS #259 Christ has died

Leader
 Christ has died.

(piano)

Christ has died.

Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: Come now, disturbing spirit of our God,
 breathe on these bodily things
 and make us one body in Christ.
 Open our graves, unbind our eyes, and name us here.
 Touch and heal all that has been buried in us,
 that we need not cling to our pain,
 but may go forth with power
 to release resurrection in the world.

All: 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.

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Lord's Prayer

**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 for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ. *Alleluia, alleluia.*

All: **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **May we who share these gifts be found in Christ and Christ in us.**

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **Spirit of the Living Christ,
come upon us in the glory of your risen power;
Spirit of the Living Christ,
come upon us in all the humility of your wondrous love;
Spirit of the Living Christ,
come upon us that new life may course within our veins,
New love bind us together in one family,
And new vision of the kingdom of God spur us on to serve you with fearless
passion. Amen. Alleluia!**

The Blessing

Please stand to receive God's blessing.

Celebrant: May the love of the Risen Christ refresh you,
the power of Risen Christ strengthen you,
the joy of Risen Christ fill your hearts;
and the blessing of the Triune God free you to share the good news in word and
deed. **Amen. Alleluia!**

Announcements

Closing Hymn #603

When Christ was lifted

1 When Christ was lift - ed from the earth, his
 2 Still east and west his love ex - tends and
 3 Where gen - er - a - tion, class, or race di -
 4 Thus free - ly loved, though ful - ly known, may

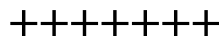
arms stretched out a - bove through ev - ery cul - ture,
 al - ways, near or far, he calls and claims us
 vide us to our shame, he sees not la - bels
 I in Christ be free to wel - come and ac -

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.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go now to love and serve the Risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!



LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR TODAY

Celebrant:	Rev. Allison Moore
LEM:	Rae Slingerland
Lector:	Wendy Bower
Usher:	David Slingerland
Altar Guild:	Susan Piowaty
Music:	Janet Frommer
Coffee Hour:	Barbara Terpening

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