



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Year A
May 17, 2026, 10AM

Welcome!

We are happy to worship with you, and honored to have you with us! Our liturgy comes from the Book of Common Prayer (the red book) and also uses texts from *Enriching Our Worship*, a collection of supplemental resources approved for use in The Episcopal Church.

Everything you will need for this service can be found in this bulletin and also the blue *Hymnal* in the pew rack.

*The altar flowers today are given
to the Glory of God.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people are seated for the readings.

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 1:6-14

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 68:1-4, 33-36

Choir

Anglican Chant

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies 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 presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *
let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him
who rides upon the heavens; *
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!
- 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 power 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!

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

SEQUENCE ALLELUIA

Sung three times

Taizé

Al-le - lu - ia, al le lu -
-ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 17:1-11

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

People

Glo - ry to you Lord Christ

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you Lord Christ

The people sit.

SERMON

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 OF THE PEOPLE

The Leader offers intercessions on behalf of the congregation; during the silences the people may add their own petitions, silently or aloud.

Each petition concludes We pray to you, O Lord.

People respond **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader “.... in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God for ever and ever.” **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

*The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.
Sunday School Children join their families in church at this time.*

WORDS OF WELCOME

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“God is Gone Up”

Healey Willan

Choir



Please feel free to make your offering in thanksgiving to God using the electronic giving options at www.gracemadison.org/giving.

The people stand.

PRESENTATION HYMN

“A Hymn of Glory”
(Deo Gratias)

Hymnal 218
Verses 1-2

The people remain standing.

Presider

We give thanks to you, O God...
...Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Presider

And we offer our sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving to you...
... all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 364

Presider

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All 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,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.

Presider

Christ our Passover

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

2 People

There fore let us keep the feast.

All

Al - le - lu - ia

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized persons are invited to receive Communion.

Our custom is to receive the bread on extended hands and drink from the cup.

Intinction— dipping the wafer in the wine—is not practiced.

To receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, cross your arms over your chest.

If you need to have Communion brought to you at your seat, please inform an usher.

Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

FRACTION ANTHEM

(Mathias)

Hymnal S-165

Sung by all.

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy

on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy

on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

COMMUNION MUSIC

“Llanfair”

Wayne Leopold

Liam Flanagan, organ

COMMUNION HYMN

“Come Away to the Skies”

Hymnal 213

(Middlebury)

The people stand.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 365

Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

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 BLESSING

The Presider invokes God's blessing upon all, to which the people respond **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise”

Hymnal 214

(Llanfair)

DISMISSAL

The people are dismissed in the name of Christ.

Response Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

“Ricercare on 'Llanfair'”

David Briggs

organ

Grace Prayer List

We pray for all who are in need, especially Wendy, Catilin, Brian, Nicholas, Rachel, Don, Connor, Peter, Eileen, Bob, Joyce, Katie, Leo, Julian, Ruth, David, Brian, Margaret, Richard, Kackie, Marianne, Paul, Eloise, Croft, Matt, John, James, Mary, Tiffanie, Jo, Brigitte, Elizabeth, Brian, Sue.

We pray for all the faithful departed: Jane Purdy

Grace Calendar Highlights

We are supporting **North Porch Women & Infants' Centers** this month. North Porch provides baby supplies to mothers and infants in northern NJ to help stabilize and improve the quality of their lives. Shop in stores or [order online](#).

The most urgent needed items are:



- Enfamil 12.5 oz powdered & soy formula
- Diapers sizes 4, 5, 6 & Pull-Ups (all sizes)
- Baby wipes
- Jars of Baby Food & Cereal

Mon, May 18, 6PM **Spring Recital** of Voice Students of Dr. Anne & Martin Hurt, Church

Mon, May 18, 7PM **Women's Book Group**, Library, *The Island of Sea Women*

Tues, May 19, 7:30PM **Men's Book Group**, *Pirate King*, [email bruce.rudin82@gmail.com](mailto:bruce.rudin82@gmail.com)

Tues, May 26, 7PM **Circle of Women**, Library

Friday, May 29 **Last Day of Choir**

Sun, May 31 10AM **Senior Sermons & Choir Recognition**

Mon, June 1, [Blood Drive](#), Grace Hall

Sat, June 2, 7PM **Confirmation Service**, Church

Sun, June 7, 10AM **Summer Sunday School** begins

Greater Community

Sun, June 3, 3PM **Hegg Awards**, St. Peter's Morristown

June 6 & 7 Harmonium's [Ride the Storm](#), Morristown United Methodist

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Worship Services

Holy Eucharist Services

Sunday 8AM & 10AM

Staff

Dr. Anne Matlack, *Organist & Director of Choirs*

Camille Bourland, *Children's Choirs*

Linda Bowden, *Chapel Choir*

Matthew North, *The Gargoyles Director*

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Kathryn McManus, *Children's Ministries*

Mary McManus, *Youth Ministries*

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