



# St. Peter's Episcopal Church

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## Ascension Day

May 26, 2022

Holy Eucharist, Sung Mass, (Rite II) — 7 PM

### Welcome to St. Peter's. We are glad you are here!

Our worship uses the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), and the 1982 Hymnal (Hymnal). If you have any questions, please ask any of our members who will be glad to help. Children are always welcome in worship.

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### Prelude

*O Sons and Daughters Let us Sing*

Jean Francois Dandrieu

*At the sound of the bell, the congregation stands as able for the processional hymn:*

### Opening Hymn

*Hail the day that sees him rise*

Hymnal 214

*Celebrant*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

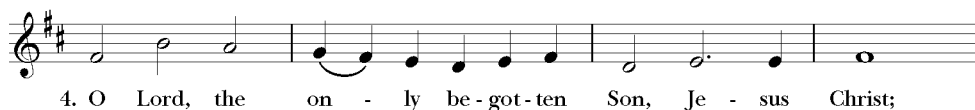
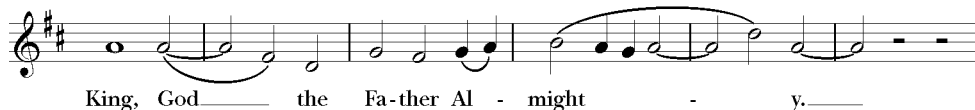
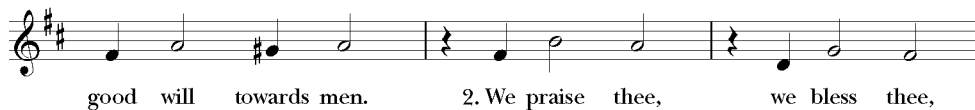
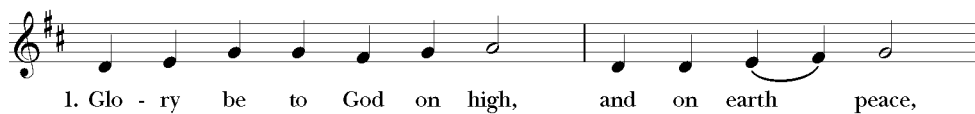
*People*

***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

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.**

# Gloria

Hymnal S-202



world, re - ceive our prayer. 7. Thou that sit - test at the

right hand of God the Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us.

8. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; 9. thou

on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art most

high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. —

A - - - - - men.

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And also with you***

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. ***Amen.***

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But 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 ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

*After each reading, the Lector says "The Word of the Lord" and the People respond: **Thanks be to God.***



- 1 The Lord is King; he has put on splendid ap-/par-el; \*  
the Lord has put on his apparel  
and / gird`ed himself with^strength.
- 2 He has made the whole world so / sure \*  
that it / can`not be mov-ed;
- 3 Ever since the world began, your throne has been es-/tab-lished; \*  
you are from / ev-er-last-ing.
- 4 The waters have lifted up, O Lord,  
the waters have lifted up their / voice; \*  
the waters have lifted / up their pound-ing^waves.
- 5 Mightier than the sound of many waters,  
mightier than the breakers of the / sea, \*  
mightier is the / Lord who dwells on^high.
- 6 Your testimonies are very / sure, \*  
and holiness adorns your house, O Lord,  
for ever / and for ev-er^more.

**Second Reading**

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ

when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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**Sequence**

*The Lord ascendeth up on high*

Hymnal 219

*All remain standing for the procession and proclamation of the Holy Gospel.*

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

People: ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

**Gospel**

Luke 24:44-53

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you--that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God."

*At the end of the Gospel reading, the Gospeller and people say the following responsory:*

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

**The Homily**

The Reverend Derek H. Miller

*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**

*Form IV*

*Deacon or other leader*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*



Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**The Peace**

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*        ***And also with you.***

**Announcements**

<b>Offertory Anthem</b>	<i>Gloria in Excelsis Deo</i>	A. Vivaldi
<b>Presentation Hymn</b>	<i>Hail thee, festival day!</i>	Hymnal 216

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says*

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 God thanks and praise.***

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

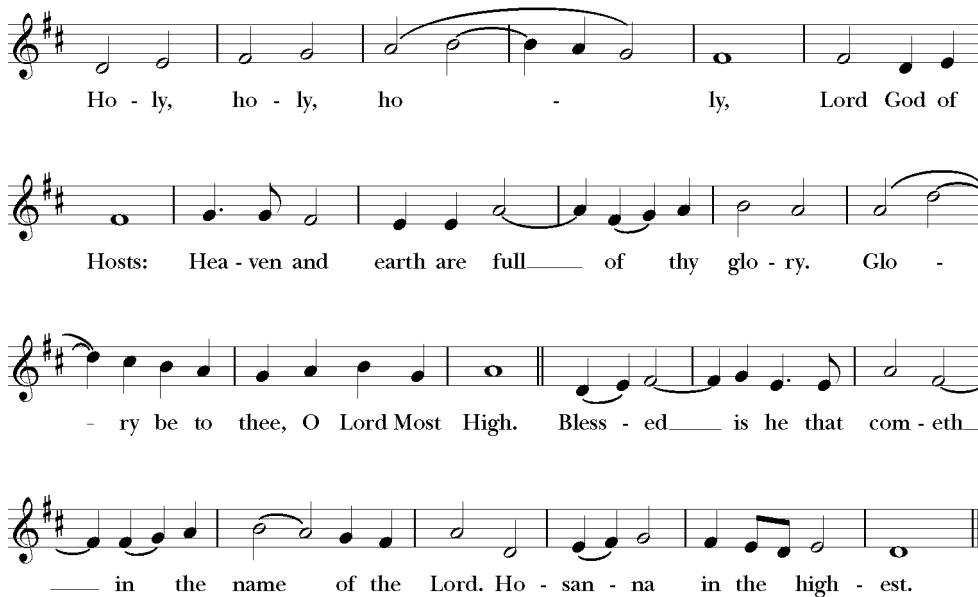
It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks;  
for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light  
inaccessible from before time and for ever.

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 sing,

## Sanctus & Benedictus

Hymnal S-114



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

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues the prayer in thanksgiving for God's redemption of the world in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

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.***

*The Celebrant continues by invoking the blessing of the Holy Spirit upon the Bread and Wine and among the people gathered.*

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 Michael, Eugene and Robert, and all who minister in your Church.  
Remember all your people, and all those who seek your truth.

Remember all victims of gun violence and those lives taken by the domestic terror of white supremacy, especially those in Buffalo, Santa Ana, and Uvalde.

Remember the victims of hunger, fear, injustice and oppression.

Remember the sick and the suffering and all who care for them.

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, with patriarchs and matriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Peter 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.**

*The Celebrant then continues*

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

### **Lord's Prayer**

Hymnal S-119

***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.***

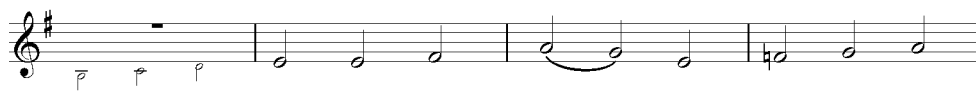
***And lead us not into temptation,***

***but deliver us from evil.***

***For thine is the kingdom,***

***and the power, and the glory,***

***for ever and ever. Amen.***



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -



way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -



on us. O Lamb of God, that



ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have



mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of



God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the



world, grant us thy peace.

## **Invitation to Communion**

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation.*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## **Communion**

*Sing praise to the Lord, who rises above the heaven of heavens to the East, alleluia.*

### **Communion Hymn**

*O Lord Most high Eternal King*

Hymnal 220

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

*Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

## **Blessing**

*The people kneel and the Celebrant says*

May the risen Christ  
Who has passed into the heavens  
Clothe you with power from on high  
And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **Closing Hymn**

*Rejoice, the Lord of life ascends*

Hymnal 222

**Dismissal**

Hymnal S-65

Response: ***Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!***

**Postlude**

*G Major*

Francois Couperin

## **Upcoming Worship Schedule**

*(In-Person and Virtually)*

**May 29th, 2022** *(Seventh Sunday of Easter)*

9:45 AM Mass

**May 31st, 2022** *(Visitation of the Blessed Virgin)*

7 PM Mass

**June 5th, 2022** *(Pentecost)*

9:45 AM Mass

**June 12th, 2022** *(Trinity)*

9:45 AM Mass

*Food & Fellowship Cookout*

**June 19th, 2022** *(Pentecost 2)*

9:45 AM Mass

**June 26th, 2022** *(Pentecost 3)*

9:45 AM Mass

*Open house to follow for Anniversary*

**SERVING THIS WEEK**

<b>Altar Guild</b>	Judith Kilroy & Margaret Pratila
<b>Acolyte</b>	Bill Rodney
<b>Bell Ringer</b>	Jeff Loveless
<b>Celebrant</b>	The Reverend Derek H. Miller
<b>Flag Guild</b>	Jeff Loveless
<b>Intercessor</b>	Jeff Loveless
<b>Lector 1</b>	Jonnie Widener
<b>Lector 2</b>	Stan Brown
<b>Preacher</b>	The Reverend Derek H. Miller
<b>Thurifer</b>	Stan Brown
<b>Ushers</b>	Angela Mitchell