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Grace Episcopal Church

Virtual Worship

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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Readers: Skip Almon & Paul Deffely

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Opening

Celebrant:
Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People:
The Lord is risen indeed.
Alleluia!



Collect for Purity

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.*



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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

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*



First Reading: **Acts 10:44-48**

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people
People: Thanks be to God

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Psalm 98

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The LORD has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the LORD with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.

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7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the LORD.

8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.

9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,
when he comes to judge the earth.

10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.



Second Reading: **1 John 5:1-6**

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

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Gospel John **15:9-17**

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said to his disciples, “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you Lord Christ





Sermon Rev. Grant



The 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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

Rev Grant's microphone open, all others muted

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



Prayers of the People - Reader

Leader: We give you thanks for the Risen Christ who lives in the Church throughout the world. Bless it Lord God, sustain it, and lead it into new life.

Leader: We thank you God of creation for the world around us, with the coming of spring, the use of our intellect and skill to enhance the well-being of all people, for those who grow our food, those who work while we sleep, the leaders and people of our towns, states, countries. We give thanks for the whole created order raised anew with the Risen Jesus.

Leader: We pray for all those longing for the assurance that new life comes from our past and present struggles. We pray now especially for those in any need, and especially those on our prayer list:

Dot B., Marilyn W., Kyle M., Jennifer M., Claire M., Muriel C., Daniel, Marjorie S., Tom D., JoAnn B., Vi G., Andrew D., Loren C., Richard T., Pat N., Rebecca T., Stephanie T., David T., George M., Alison S., Diane M., John V., Norm L., Janet D., Beth W., Ron, Nancy M., Michele T., Carole H.P., Nick, Autumn, Curtiss C. & Grant

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Prayers of the People *continued*

Leader: We pray for those serving in the military, especially: Matt C., Baron S., Zachary S., Christopher, Monique & Joey

Leader: We give thanks for those whom we have loved but see no longer. They stand before you and pray for us, as we now pray for them to grow closer and closer into your love and light.

Leader allows a moment of quiet for all to name out loud or in the hearts those who have died.

Leader: We pray for the special intentions given this day, for those in need and thanksgiving for blessings

Leader or other person reads petitions entered into Zoom Chat

Leader: Are there other intercessions or thanksgivings others wish to name?

All are invited to unmute their lines and offer further prayer needs.

Celebrant: asks if there are any birthdays or anniversaries to be celebrated in the coming week, then prays for those named; if none come forward with birthdays or anniversaries, the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

You may also add your prayers in the chat box, including birthday or anniversary remembrances.



The Lord's Prayer

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

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



A General Thanksgiving (2007 Version)

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

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A General Thanksgiving *continued*

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

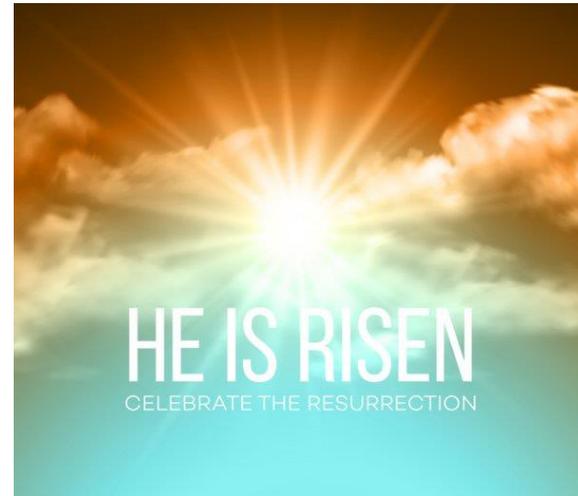
Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. *Amen.*

Blessing



Dismissal



Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*People: Thanks be to God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

