



St. Matthias

Episcopal Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:00 am

April 28, 2024

Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, we welcome you to St. Matthias' Church. This is God's house and so it is your house because you are God's child. We hope that you will be at home here and find peace here.

The Holy Eucharist

Prelude: "If thou but suffer God to guide thee"

JS Bach

Opening Hymn: "We know that Christ is raised and dies no more"

Hymnal #296

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.**

"Glory to God"

LEVAS #243

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords in the right hand.

System 1: The vocal line begins with a whole rest, followed by a half note G4 and a quarter note A4. The piano accompaniment starts with a whole chord of G2-Bb2-D3-F3, followed by a series of chords and eighth notes.

System 2: The vocal line continues with the lyrics "Glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, — Glo-ry,". The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines.

System 3: The vocal line concludes with the lyrics "Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name. —". The piano accompaniment ends with a final chord.

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.

The first system consists of two vocal staves (treble and bass clef) and a piano accompaniment (treble and bass clef). The lyrics are: "1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo - ple on earth." The music is in a key with one flat (B-flat major or D minor) and a 4/4 time signature. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and block chords in the left hand.

2. Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we

The second system continues with two vocal staves and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "2. Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we". The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern as the first system.

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

The third system concludes the piece with two vocal staves and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry." The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern as the previous systems.

Unison

3. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, Glo-ry,

Glo-ry, hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, — Glo-ry,

Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name. — 4. You

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us, 5. You are

seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive_ our_ prayer. 6. For

you a - lone_ are the Ho - ly One, You a - lone are_ the Lord,

Unison

7. You a - lone_ are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the

Descant

Lord, — Lord — we
 glo-ry of the Fa - ther. Glo-ry, Glo-ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we
 praise — you — Lord, — Lord — hal - le -
 praise your Ho - ly name, — Glo-ry, Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we

Descant

lu - jah.
Women
 Praise your Ho - ly name.
Men
 Praise your Ho - ly name.

The musical score consists of three systems. The first system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The vocal line contains the lyrics "A - - - men." with a long note on "men." The piano accompaniment features chords in the right hand and a melodic line in the left hand. The second system continues the piano accompaniment with similar chordal textures and a melodic line in the left hand.

The Collect of the Day

BCP Pg. #225

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Word of God

The First Lesson

Acts 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.”

The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.

When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22:24-30 *Deus, Deus meus*

BCP Pg. #612

24 My praise is of him in the great **assembly**; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who **worship him**.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall **praise him**: *
"May your heart live for **ever!**"

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the **Lord**, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow **before him**.

27 For kingship belongs to the **Lord**; *
he rules over the **nations**.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in **worship**; *
all who go down to the dust fall **before him**.

29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall **serve him**; *
they shall be known as the Lord's for **ever**.

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet **unborn** *
the saving deeds that he has **done**.

The Second Lesson

1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world.

God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Hymn: "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

MHSO #18

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

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

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

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

The image shows a musical score for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in G major. The lyrics are: lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - - - jah! The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence on a whole note chord.

The Holy Gospel

John 15:1-8

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

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

Rev. Steve Reshan

The Nicene Creed

BCP Pg. 358

Prayers of the People *Form III*

BCP Pg. 387

✠ *As an expression of the celebration of resurrection, during the Easter season, the Confession is omitted.*

The Peace

BCP Pg. 360

✠ *Offer one another a sign of peace.*

Announcements

Holy Communion

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Hymn: “In Christ there is no East or West”

Hymnal #529

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP #367

Celebrant 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 him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy – Sanctus

WLP #858

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

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "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. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP Pg. 364

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. *Alleluia.*

Fraction Anthem: "The disciples knew the Lord Jesus"

WLP #876

The musical score is written in 3/4 time. It consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with the lyrics: "The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord - Je - sus - in the break - ing -". The piano accompaniment provides a harmonic and rhythmic foundation. Below the main score, there are two verses of lyrics: "of the bread." followed by "1. The bread which we break, Al - le - lu -" and "2. One bo - dy are we, Al - le - lu -". The piano accompaniment continues with these verses, featuring a repeat sign and a fermata over the final notes.

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord - Je - sus - in the break - ing -

of the bread. 1. The bread which we break, Al - le - lu -
2. One bo - dy are we, Al - le - lu -

All repeat Antiphon

ia, is the com - mun - ion of the Bod - y of Christ.
ia, for though - ma - ny we share one - bread.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God**Communion Hymn: “Lord dismiss us with thy blessing”****Hymnal #344****Prayer After Communion****BCP #365***Celebrant* Let us pray.

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.**

Closing Hymn: “God is love: let heaven adore him”**Hymnal #379****Dismissal***Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia.*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.***Postlude: “Now the green blade riseth”**Mark Sedio*

April 28, 2024 -Weekly Messenger

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Precious Blood, Gardner; Clergy & Lay Delegates attending the Special Joint Convention

Anniversaries This Week

Birthdays:

29-Marsha Kinet
 29-Janet Taliaferro
 30-Bob Diederich
 1-Barb Kane
 2-Diane Diederich

Departed:

2-Gene Hollander

Calendar & Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 28, 2024

10:00am – Holy Eucharist
 6:00pm – NA (Parish Hall)

May 2, 2024

9:00am – Men of Matthias
 10:00am – Caritas Outreach

Sunday, May 5, 2024

10:00am – Holy Eucharist
 6:00pm – NA (Parish Hall)

Lay Ministry Schedule

April 28, 2024

Usher – Deb & Mike
 Acolyte – Susan
 Lector- Kathryn
 Prayers -Dennis
 Zoom - Dennis

May 5, 2024

Usher – Nancy & Robin
 Acolyte – Chris
 Lector – Jane
 Prayers – Nancy
 Zoom - Dennis

We acknowledge that we are standing on the ancestral lands of the Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, who have been stewards of this land for centuries and respect the interconnected relationships among everything on this land. We acknowledge the many legacies of violence, boarding schools, displacement, migration, and settlement that bring us together today. We pay respect to the elders, past, present, and future.

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