



# ST. CATHERINE'S

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## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**Seventh Sunday of Easter  
Ascension Sunday  
The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two,  
May 21, 2023  
10:00 a.m.**

### ***Welcome to St. Catherine's***

We are glad that you have joined us for worship this morning. If you are visiting with us, we invite you to fill out a visitor card, which can be found on the back of the chair in front of you. Completed cards may be given to a greeter, a member of the clergy or placed in the collection plate. For more information about our parish, including a complete schedule of worship services, as well as the link for our on-line services, please visit our website at <https://stcatherinesal.org>

### ***Prepare for Worship***

In order to preserve a sense of reverence in the worship space, please take a moment to silence all of your electronic devices. The time before the service begins offers us a rare moment for quiet prayer and meditation. The liturgy for today's service is from **The Book of Common Prayer**. For your convenience, all of the service music, prayers, responses, and readings are included in this booklet. Please refer to the hymnal provided in the chairs for the Hymns. Children are always welcome in worship at St. Catherine's. However, if your child would be more comfortable in our nursery, childcare is available during the 10:00 service.



## ***Eucharist or Holy Communion***

St. Catherine's welcomes all baptized Christians to gather at the table of our Lord. **Eucharist or Holy Communion**, is at the heart of the Episcopal liturgy. It is during Holy Communion, as we gather around the table, where we share the bread and the wine, the Body and Blood of our savior, as we remember the words of our Lord, Jesus Christ, "Do this in remembrance of me."

It is our practice to stand at the altar to receive the sacraments. By holding out your up turned hands you will be given the bread and you can either partially dip the bread in the wine, being careful not to touch the wine with your fingers, or you can sip from the chalice.

If you chose to receive only one of the sacraments simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate your wishes to the server. If you do not wish to receive the sacraments, but you would like to be blessed, cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you.

If you require gluten-free it is available – simply let the priest know as she distributes the bread.

Please feel free to ask if you have any questions. It's our desire to make everyone feel as welcome as possible.

### **Ministers in Today's Liturgy**

<b>Celebrant</b>	The Rev. Rob Morpeth	<b>LEM</b>	Jane Keeton
<b>Deacon</b>	The Rev. Dn. Clyde Pearce	<b>Crucifer</b>	Jane Keeton
<b>VPD</b>	Michelle Landrum	<b>Lector</b>	Laura Chambless
<b>Counters</b>	Michelle Landrum & Lois Deter	<b>Intercessor</b>	Jaimie Johnson
<b>Greeter</b>	Lois Deter	<b>Torchbearer</b>	James Johnson & Olivia Kennedy
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Jane Keeton	<b>Technology</b>	Scott Reimer

## **Prelude**

Glory to Thee by Emma Louise Ashford (1850-1930)

## **The Word of God**

### **Entrance Hymn H 215**

*See the Conqueror mounts in triumph (In Babilone)*

*The people standing as they are able, the Celebrant says*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

*The Celebrant may say*

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.*

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord

God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;

glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you

for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will

praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to

you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -

ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and

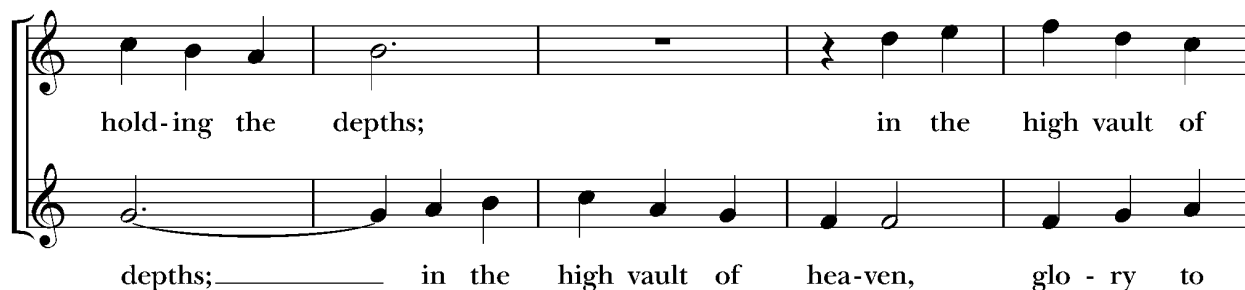
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*Descant*



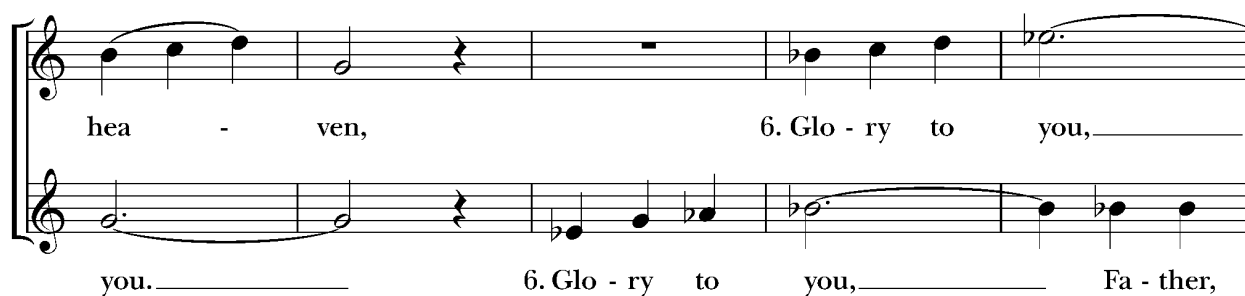
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5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be - hold - ing the



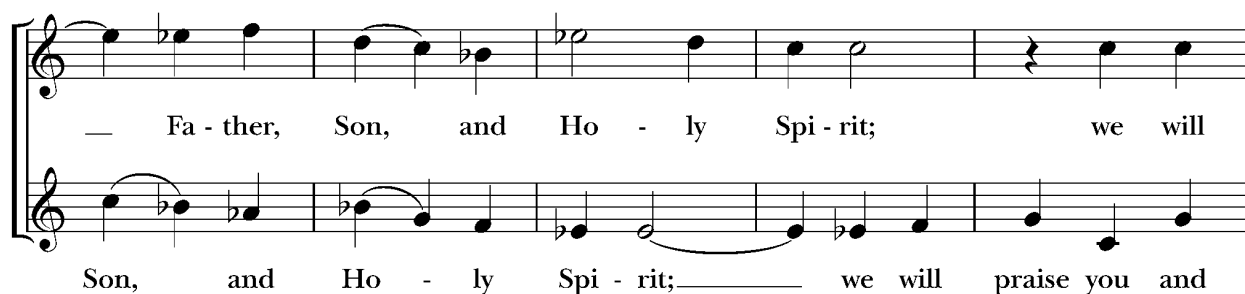
hold-ing the depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of

depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of hea-ven, glo - ry to



hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_

you. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ Fa - ther,



— Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will

Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; \_\_\_\_\_ we will praise you and



high-ly ex - alt you Glo-ry to you! \_\_\_\_\_

high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

*Celebrant*        The Lord be with you.  
*People*            And also with you.  
*Celebrant*        Let us pray.

O God, 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, and God in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

## The Lessons

### First Reading: Acts 1:6-14

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>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." <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>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."

<sup>12</sup>Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            Thanks be to God.

*Silence may follow.*

*Remain seated. The psalm will be read responsively by whole verse*

**Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36**

<sup>1</sup>Let God rise up, let his enemies be scattered;  
let those who hate him flee before him.

<sup>2</sup>As smoke is driven away, so drive them away;  
as wax melts before the fire,  
let the wicked perish before God.

<sup>3</sup>But let the righteous be joyful;  
let them exult before God;  
let them be jubilant with joy.

<sup>4</sup>Sing to God, sing praises to his name;  
lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds  
his name is the LORD  
be exultant before him.

<sup>5</sup>Father of orphans and protector of widows  
is God in his holy habitation.

<sup>6</sup>God gives the desolate a home to live in;  
he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,  
but the rebellious live in a parched land.

<sup>7</sup>O God, when you went out before your people,  
when you marched through the wilderness,  
Selah

<sup>8</sup>the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain  
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai,  
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

<sup>9</sup>Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad;  
you restored your heritage when it languished;

<sup>10</sup>your flock found a dwelling in it;  
in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.

<sup>33</sup>O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens;  
listen, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.



<sup>34</sup>Ascribe power to God,  
whose majesty is over Israel;  
and whose power is in the skies.

<sup>35</sup>Awesome is God in his sanctuary,  
the God of Israel;  
he gives power and strength to his people.  
Blessed be God!

### **Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11**

A Reading from the First letter of Peter.

<sup>12</sup>Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. <sup>13</sup>But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. <sup>14</sup>If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

<sup>6</sup>Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. <sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. <sup>8</sup>Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering.

<sup>10</sup>And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup>To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

*All stand as they are able.*

**Sequence Hymn   H 483 Verses 1, 3, 5**

***The head that once was crowned with thorns (St. Magnus)***

*Remain standing as are able*

**Gospel: John 17:1-11**

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

*People*        Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>1</sup>After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup>since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup>And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup>I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup>So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

<sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>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.

*Deacon*        The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Deacon Kay Williams

## The Creed (BCP p. 358)

*All stand as they are able.*

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 (BCP p. 359)**

*All remain standing as they are able.*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying,

“Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For our Bishops Glenda and Brian, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for our companion Diocese of Honduras, for Voices for Alabama’s Children, YouthServe, Birmingham, GraceWorks, Birmingham, Sawyerville Commission and Day Camps, and Foothills Day Camp, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For this city Chelsea, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

From our parish family we pray for Nita, Clydene, Arabella, Diane, Bailey, John, Mason, Karin, Darin, Katy, Nell, Hailey, Florencia, Clyde, Gail, Sandra, Austin, Ann, Anne, Connie, Glenda, Gabi, Willy, Ben, Wanda, Wally and Jack, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For all those who serve in the military, especially John Morris, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

In grateful thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life, we pray especially for Caroline Molloy and Steve Landrum and for all who will celebrate their birthdays this week, grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

In the communion of Catherine and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

*To thee, O Lord our God.*

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **Confession of Sin (BCP p. 359)**

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## **The Peace (BCP p. 360)**

*All stand as they are able.*

*Celebrant*            The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*             And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## Announcements

## The Holy Communion

### Offertory Sentence (BCP p. 376)

*The Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

*Please join in singing the Offertory Hymn*

### Offertory Hymn H 307 verses 1, 4, 5

*Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor (Bryn Calfaria)*

### Doxology

*As the offerings are brought to the altar, standing as you are able, the following is sung:*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Celebrant* All things come of thee O Lord

*People* And of thine own hath we given thee.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*The People remain standing.*

*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.

*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 say,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

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

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

Blessed 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 People stand or kneel.*



### *The Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. 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*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your

holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

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.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with [the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Catherine 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*

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

*People and Celebrant*

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.

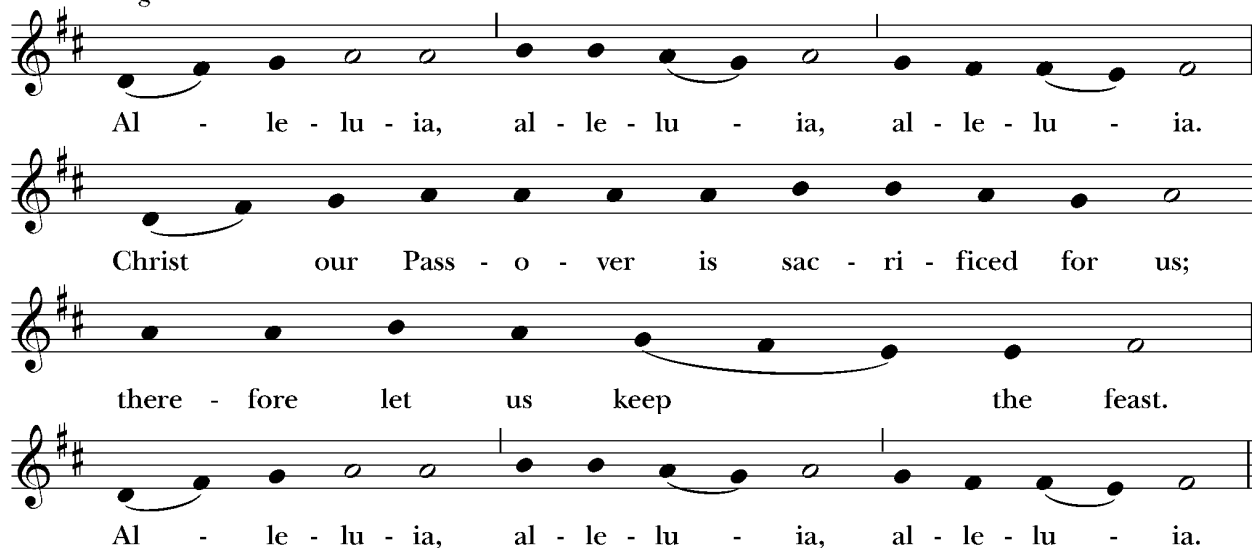
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen

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## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*This setting is not used in Lent.*



*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on them in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving.

This is the table not of the church but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who Love him and for those who wish to love him more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long; you who have tried to follow, and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is the Lord's will that those who seek Him should meet Him here.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*All baptized Christians are invited to participate in the Holy Communion. You can receive both the bread and the wine or only one. Intinction of the bread is acceptable, however, please be careful not to touch the wine with your fingers as you dip the wafer into the wine. If you do not wish to receive the wine, please cross your arms over your chest to alert the chalice bearer. Also, if you do not want to receive either and would like a blessing please come forward, cross your arms over your chest and the priest will offer a blessing.*

*Gluten free wafers are available. Please let the priest know as she comes to you. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask a member of the congregation, the clergy, or an usher.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:*

The Body of Christ, the bread of Heaven. *Amen.*

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. *Amen.*

*Please join in singing the Communion Hymn*

**Communion Hymn      H 662**

***Abide with me: fast falls the eventide (Eventide)***

**Post-Communion Prayer (BCP p. 365)**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant 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 Priest blesses the people, saying*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you  
and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

**Post-Communion Hymn      H 460 Verses 1, 3, 4**

***Alleluia! sing to Jesus (Hyfrydol)***

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Alleluia, alleluia.

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

**Postlude**

Prière in G major by Emile Wambach (1854-1924)

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**The Week of May 21st, at a Glance**

**Conversational Spanish Club** – Delfina Cuevas will be offering Conversational Spanish to the youth and children on Sundays, from 8:45- 9:30. Parents are welcome. Coffee and a continental breakfast will be served. For more information call, text, or email: Church office 205-618-8367; Mobile 205-381-5525; email [flandrum@samford.edu](mailto:flandrum@samford.edu)

**Vestry Meets** – On Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, the Vestry will meet at 11:15 following the 10:00 service.

**Evening Prayer** – Wednesday, 6:00 p.m

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**Pledges** - Please be vigilant about staying up to date with your pledge. By setting your pledge up as an automatic deposit each month through our online giving site, Realm, you can stay up to date with very little effort. The church operates on a budget much the same as your household budget so regular giving of your pledge is important. If you have questions about Realm, please direct them to Julie Seal, our Parish Administrator, at [secretary@stcatherinesal.com](mailto:secretary@stcatherinesal.com). We all have so many hopes and dreams for St. Catherine's, but we will not see these come to fruition without the finances to pay for them. Every dollar matters. Thank you in advance for your faithfulness.

**Please see the church website [stcatherinesal.org](http://stcatherinesal.org) for more information.**

## Upcoming Events

**Baptism - Pentecost Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>** will be the next opportunity for baptisms. If you or a member of your family is interested in Baptism, please contact Sally at, [sally.herring@gmail.com](mailto:sally.herring@gmail.com) as soon as possible.

**Committal of the Ashes of Charlie Pearce** –Baptized Christians are properly buried from the church. In the tradition of the Episcopal Church, on Sunday May 28<sup>th</sup>, following the 10:00 am service, we will gather to place the ashes of our sister Charlie Pearce at the base of the tree planted in her honor in our garden.

## Pastoral Care information

**Communion at Home** - If you are sick or unable to attend church for an extended period of time and would like to have communion brought to your home, please let us know. Either leave a message on the church phone or reach out to Sally, 205-447-3306.

**Parish Prayer List** - If you would like someone added to the Parish Prayer list please leave a message on the Church voice mail, contact Sally at [sally.herring@gmail.com](mailto:sally.herring@gmail.com) or fill out a prayer request card and leave with an usher or in the collection plate. Names placed on the parish prayer list will remain for one month. If the need continues, please notify the church office or the priest and they will remain on the list as long as requested. Please make it known to Sally if there is no longer a need. Thank you.

**Hospital Visits** – If you or a loved one is going to be in the hospital and would like a visit from the clergy, please notify us by calling the church office and leaving a message, either on the general voice mail or on Sally's confidential voice mail.

**Pastoral Emergencies** – A message can be left on the church voice mail or Sally can be reached at 205-447-3306. For the next few weeks Clyde will be recuperating from a medical procedure, so please call Sally.

### **Priest in Charge's Schedule the Week of May 21<sup>st</sup>**

5/15, Monday – Treatment, work from off site and at home

5/16, Tuesday – Outpatient surgery

5/17, Wednesday – Work from Home

5/18, Thursday – 9:00 – 12:30, work from home that afternoon

5/19, Friday – Off (work from home)

5/20, Saturday – Off

5/21, Sunday – 8:00 – 1:30, Parish Worship service, The Rev. Deacon Kay Williams will preach,

Coffee hour and Vestry meeting.

(If I am working from home or remotely, feel free to text me or call. If I cannot reply immediately, please be patient - I will respond as soon as possible. Note: This is a tentative schedule. I try as best I can to stick to it but occasionally life happens, and I need to make changes. SLH+)

### **Our Mission**

*To seek, love, and serve God through worship, education, and service and to share the redeeming love of Christ with the world.*

### **Our Vision**

*St. Catherine's, the Episcopal Church in Chelsea, is a welcoming and inclusive family called by Christ to receive and share God's love.*

### **Vestry Members**

Laura Chambless  
Lois Deter  
Lynne Dominguez  
Michelle Landrum – Jr. Warden  
Connie Meloun  
Michelle Nivens – Clerk of the Vestry  
Scott Reimer – Sr. Warden  
Juan Rodriguez  
Bill Traylor

### **Clergy and Staff**

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Glenda S. Curry, Bishop of AL  
The Rt. Rev. Brian Prior, Assistant to the Bishop of AL  
The Rev. Sally Herring, Rector  
The Rev. Dn. Clyde Pearce, Deacon  
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