



**ST. DAVID'S ON-THE-HILL
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Morning Prayer: Rite Two
MAY 10, 2020 10:00 a.m.
The Rev. Andrea Castner Wyatt, Rector**

Musical Prelude

Welcoming by Rev. Andrea

Morning Prayer: Rite Two (BCP 75)

Opening Sentences for Easter (BCP 77)

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it. *Psalms 118:24*

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. *Colossians 3:1*

Confession of Sin (BCP 79) and Absolution (BCP 80)

Officiant Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth God's praise, to hear God's holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship God, let us be together in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All 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.

Invitatory and Psalter — Easter (BCP 81)

Officiant Lord, open our lips.
People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

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All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

Christ our Passover *Pascha nostrum* (BCP 73)

Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; * therefore let us keep the feast,
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; * death no longer has dominion over him.
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; * but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin, * and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, * the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.
For since by a man came death, * by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die, * so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16 *In te, Domine, speravi* (BCP 622)

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; * deliver me in your righteousness.
Incline your ear to me; * make haste to deliver me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, *for you are my tower of strength.

Into your hands I commend my spirit, * for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

My times are in your hand; * rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
Make your face to shine upon your servant, * and in your loving-kindness save me.

All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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The Lessons

First Reading: Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him.

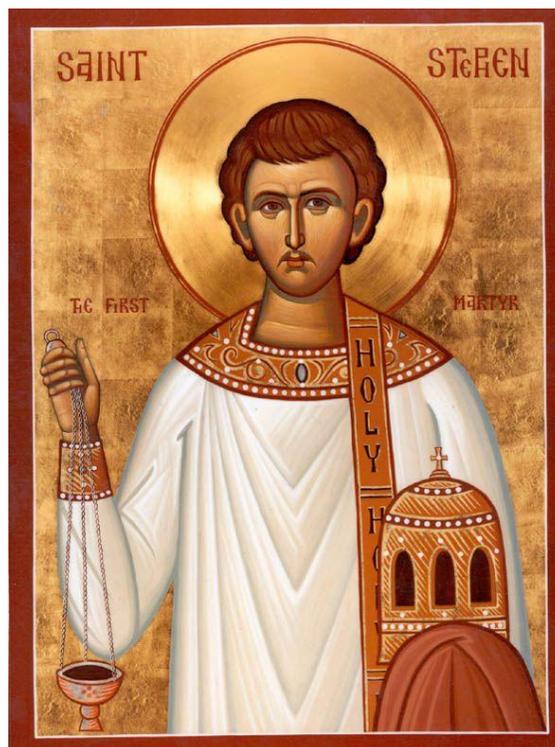
Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn: Holy God, We Praise Thy Name — H-366, v. 1-4

1. Holy God, we praise thy name; Lord of all, we bow before thee; all on earth thy scepter claim, all in heav'n above adore thee. Infinite thy vast domain, everlasting is thy reign.
2. Hark, the loud celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord."
3. Lo! the apostolic train join thy sacred name to hallow; prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white robed martyrs follow; and from morn to set of sun, through the Church the song goes on.
4. Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name thee; while in essence only One, undivided God we claim thee, and adoring bend the knee, and confess the mystery.



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Second Reading: 1 Peter 2: 2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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Hymn: We Have Been Told — David Haas

Refrain: We have been told, we've seen his face and heard his voice alive in our hearts;
"Live in my love with all your heart, as the Father has loved me, so I have loved you.

Verse 1. I am the vine, you are the branches, and all who live in me will bear great fruit. **(Refrain)**

Verse 2. You are my friends, if you keep my commands, no longer slaves; I call you friends. **(Refrain)**

Verse 3. No greater love is there than this: To lay down one's life for a friend. **(Refrain)**

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Gospel: John 14: 1-14

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?”

The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me[e] for anything, I will do it.

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon: Rev. Andrea Castner Wyatt

The Apostles’ Creed (BCP 96)

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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The Prayers: Our Father (BCP 97)

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

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.

Suffrage B (BCP 98)

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance; R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.

V. Day by day we bless you; R. We praise your Name for ever.

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today; R. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy; R. For we put our trust in you.

V. In you, Lord, is our hope; R. And we shall never hope in vain.

Collect of the Day (BCP 225)

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Mother's Day (by Julia Ward Howe)

On this Mothers' Day, we give thanks to God for the divine gift of motherhood in all its diverse forms. Let us pray for all the mothers among us today; for our own mothers, those living and those who have passed away; for the mothers who loved us and for those who fell short of loving us fully; for all who hope to be mothers someday and for those whose hopes to have children have been frustrated; for all mothers who have lost children; for all women and men who have mothered others in any way—those who have been our substitute mothers and we who have done so for those in need; and for the earth that bore us and provides for us with our sustenance.

We pray this all in the name of God, our great and loving Mother. **Amen.**

Instrumental Anthem & Virtual Passing of the Peace

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Prayers of the People and Intercessions

Intercessor Let us pray.

All Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's Holy Name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into Life.

Intercessor Made alive in Christ and filled with God's Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation. On this special day, we celebrate all who Mother us, in all the seasons of our life. (silence) Holy One, hold us in resurrection faith in this season of loss. Comfort those who mourn or fear, and protect medical and essential workers. Open our hearts in generosity to those suffering loss of employment or income. In your house, O God, there are many dwelling places; there is room for all of us! Break down barriers that separate us from each other and from you.

God our salvation: you have made us your living stones in the waters of baptism. We pray for the church and its leaders; for the newly baptized; for missionaries around the world. Hear us, O god. **Your mercy is great.**

God our home: your Spirit dwells with creation. We pray for the earth; for clean water and air; for the earth's foundation; for the lands all creatures inhabit. Hear us, O god. **Your mercy is great.**

God our way: you call us to paths of justice. We pray for nations and leaders; for courts and legislatures; for strife-torn communities; for our enemies. We especially pray for our service members: Jake Knight, Elizabeth Butler, Matthew Paiva, Brian Plamondon and Bob Hammond. Hear us, O god. **Your mercy is great.**

God our refuge: you deliver us in times of trouble. We pray for the rejected and persecuted; for neglected infants and children; for the sick; for all who grieve, especially: Joe & Alberta, Gloria, Sue, Tom, Lauren, Dilshad, David, Frank, Bob, Father Ed, MJ, Brad, Wanda, Walter, Paul, Ron, Donald, Eleanor and any you wish to name silently or aloud....(pause)...and for all in need. Hear us, O god. **Your mercy is great.**

God our shelter: you draw all people to yourself. We pray for those who are homeless and those with inadequate housing; for all who come to this building seeking a safe haven. Hear us, O god. **Your mercy is great.**

God our life: you prepare a place for us. We give thanks for the witness of your saints. We celebrate the life of Anna M. D'Arezzo, gathered home this week to your eternal embrace. Lead us also in Christ's way and truth. Hear us, O god. **Your mercy is great.**

Receive our prayers, merciful God, and dwell in us richly, through Jesus Christ, our life and our redeemer. **Amen.**

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Voices of St. David's: Christina Sprows

The General Thanksgiving (BCP 101)

All Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, your unworthy servants, give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord, alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

Concluding Prayer

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Ephesians 3:20, 21

Hymn: Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us — H-708

1. Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need thy tender care;
in thy pleasant pastures feed us; for our use thy folds prepare.
Blessèd Jesus! Blessèd Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

2. Early let us seek thy favor, early let us learn thy will;
do thou, Lord, our only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill.
Blessèd Jesus! Blessèd Jesus! Thou hast loved us: love us still

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