

St. Mary's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Called to **serve, heal, and love** in the light of God.

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MOTHER'S
MAY **DAY** 12



MOTHER'S DAY
and the **SUNDAY AFTER**
ASCENSION DAY

May 12, 2024

10:30 a.m. • Rite II Holy Eucharist with Choir

The Rev. Lester V. Mackenzie, AHC
Presider & Preacher

WELCOME

Welcome! We are glad you are here.

Here in the Episcopal Church, we truly welcome everyone. Please sign a visitor's card (or scan the QR code below) and introduce yourself to Fr. Lester after the service.

If you'd like more information on joining St. Mary's, membership, baptism, serving as a youth acolyte, confirmation, etc., contact the Parish Office at 949-494-3542 or email parishoffice@stmaryslb.org.

Thank you for worshipping with us today!



Our Mission: To be open to God's love and Guidance. To embrace all in the name of Christ.

Our Vision: To be an inclusive community called to serve, heal, and love our neighbors in the Light of God.



New to St. Mary's?

Candida R. TerBush leads our Welcome and Engagement ministries at St. Mary's and she would love the opportunity to connect and answer any questions you may have.

Contact her at candidarivera25@yahoo.com

Sunday Schedule

8 AM

Traditional

Rite I Spoken Eucharist

9:15 AM

Adult Education

(will continue after Easter)

10:30 AM

Contemporary

Rite II Eucharist with Choir

Children/Youth

Childcare with Mimi Chavez, Children's Chapel in the Lower Church

11:30 AM

Hospitality/Coffee Hour

Guild Hall

Weekly Service Schedule

TUES

10:00am, Healing Service

Conference Call Format

WED

11:00am, Eucharist

Spoken, Church

THURS

7pm, Taizé Heartfulness

First Thursdays, Church

Ways to Give

Gratitude for your financial support of St. Mary's. Please consider giving to help us continue our ministry here in Laguna Beach and beyond.



Text GIFTMARY
to 44321



During the offering
on Sunday



Online through
Give Lively platform



Mail offering & pledges
to Parish Office

Ministry Schedule

If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, or made a change to the schedule, please mark the schedule in the Narthex and also contact the Parish Office.

We can always use more volunteers to help out with our Sunday liturgies! If you would like to help with being a reader, acolyte, usher, hospitality, etc., please contact the Parish Office.

TODAY AT 10:30AM

First Reader	Tammi Ford
Second Reader	Christian TerBush
Crucifer	Tammi Ford
Chalice	Ben Brown
Ushers	Jim van Gaasbeek & Suzy Horaney
Hospitality	Tammi Ford

Next Sunday, May 19, 10:30 am

First Reader	Christopher Gilbertson
Second Reader	Carrie Joyce
Crucifer	Ben Brown
Chalice	Pat August
Ushers	Larry & Marjorie Gorum
Hospitality	Vanessa & John



Next Sunday's Lessons

Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 104:25-35, 37,
Romans 8:22-27, John 15:26-27;
16:4-15

This Week at St. Mary's

Sunday, May 12 - Happy Mother's Day

8AM	Rite I Holy Eucharist spoken
10:30AM	Rite II Holy Eucharist with Choir <i>Hospitality Hour following</i>

Monday, May 13

7PM	AA Men's Group Meeting, Guild Hall
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Tuesday, May 14

10AM	Healing Service, Conference Call Format
7PM	AA Women's Group Meeting, Guild Hall
7PM	L.B. Chamber Singers, Church

Parish Prayer List

For the departed

Betty K, Dave Brokaw, Loretta Gautreaux, Colette Marsaud, Nancy Guthrie, Ralph Root, Blake Franklin, Bill Ford,

For healing, comfort and other requests

Marcia F, Betty T, Miranda P, Alan, Melissa, Jim, Randy, Lie, Bettina, Pinkie M, JoAnn, Kayla K, Mary H, Josephine, Pamela, Joe, Terry, Sara, Jerry, Terrie, Nancy, Carol, Phoebe, Ralph, Hampton, Mimi, Francesca, Grace, Josh, John P., Tanya, Daniel, Tom, Jan, Karen, Lynn, Gregory, Erin, Ashley, Kady, Beau and Erika, Mike L, Erin, Tina, Milana, Linda, Kenedy, , Jill, John, Chris, Richard, Sarah, Corrie, Pat, Lauren, Judy, Jan

For all others in need

Those affected by natural & environmental disasters especially Japan, all in fear in Ukraine, Ethiopia, Sudan, Kongo, Israel and Palestine.

For our City of Laguna Beach and the Diocese of Los Angeles

Prayer cards can be found in the Narthex or scan the QR Code here:



Wednesday, May 15

10AM	Parish Staff Meeting
7PM	AA Men's Group Meeting, Guild Hall

Thursday, May 16

8AM	Men's Bible Study, Office Library
4PM	L.B. Interfaith Council at St. Mary's
6:30PM	Toastmasters Meeting, Guild Hall

Friday, May 17

1PM	Women's Bible Study, Office Library
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Saturday, May 18

12PM	Michelle Burt Art Masterclass, Guild Hall
8PM	AA Living Sober Group Meeting, Guild Hall

Your Parish Leadership

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The Parish Office is open Monday - Friday,
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Glen Roske · Class of 2026

John Kilpatrick · Class of 2026

Marc Mullendore · Class of 2026

*The Vestry meets the Fourth Sunday of each
Month at 12:00 p.m.*

A Few Reminders

WORSHIP

Follow along starting on page 9. Responses are in bold.

COMMUNION

From whatever tradition you come, you are always welcome at the Lord's table. We are currently receiving Communion at the Altar Rail.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

There will be childcare service with Mimi Chavez this morning. There are "Youth Bulletins" with crayons in the back of the church. All Youth are invited to help participate during our Family Service (1st Sunday at 10:30am) as readers or acolytes. Contact Fr. Lester.

RESTROOMS

These facilities are located on our lower level, beneath the choir. For wheelchair access, please ask an usher for assistance.

HOSPITALITY / COFFEE HOUR

Following today's 10:30am Service, all are welcome to our Guild Hall for fellowship, coffee and light refreshments.

NEWCOMERS

Welcome to St. Mary's! Introduce yourself to Fr. Lester and complete a Newcomer Card. There is a QR code on page 3 of this bulletin to also fill out online. We are glad that you are here to join us in this faith forward journey.

You are always welcome here.



RECEIVE
THE HOLY
SPIRIT.

PENTECOST SUNDAY JN 20:22

Pentecost is next
Sunday - Wear Red!

We are looking for parishioners to help read the Gospel in a language other than English. If interested, contact Ryan at the Parish Office.



Altar Flower Dedication

The Altar Flowers this Sunday are given to the Glory of God from **Ed and Kathy Hanke**: "in celebration of our 44th wedding anniversary."

Correction from last Sunday's Bulletin dedication:
Sid Petersen: "in memory of my wife, Nancy, and the 73rd Anniversary of our Wedding."



FAITH FORWARD JOURNEY

UNITY IN COMMUNITY - WALKING TOGETHER - ROOTED IN JESUS

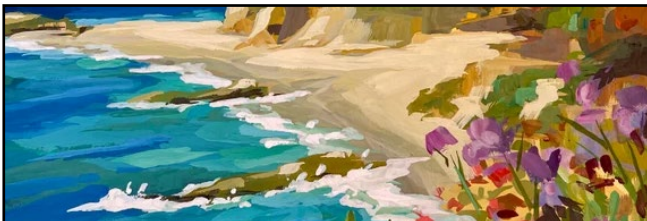
2024 Stewardship
St. Mary's Episcopal Church

95^{years}

A "Blast from the Past"

As we celebrate 95 years as a community, we reflect on our history in Laguna Beach.

Photo:
The current "new" church for St. Mary's was completed in 1958.



The Annual Blessing of the Artists

Friday, May 31st at 6:30pm

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church
1042 Temple Terrace, Laguna Beach

Reception to follow on church patio

Come and enjoy!

Sandwiches for the Homeless

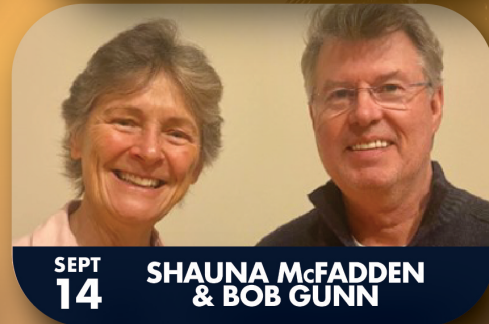
During Covid, we started providing lunches during the week for unhoused folks in Laguna Beach. They have come to wait for this every morning, and we hate to stop. We have had several different volunteers and currently need two more.

Need Volunteers to provide lunches (sandwich, fruit, snack) for Tuesday or Thursday mornings. You can drop them at the south beach at 9:00 am or you can drop them in South Laguna by 8:15 am at a home of Jim Keegan who takes them every morning along with coffee to the beach.

If you are willing to volunteer or want more information, please call or text Cindy Campbell (949) 683-7220.

SUMMER SERIES V

Fundraiser Concerts



Ocean View Terrace • 5:30 p.m.

at **St. Mary's Episcopal Church** (428 Park Ave. Laguna Beach)

Boxed dinners provided by local restaurants: GG's Bistro and Noonerz.



Tickets www.ecwstmaryslb.org

Concerts \$25 • Boxed Dinner for \$20 • Drinks \$5 • Season Pass \$200
(Season Pass includes concert admission, meal & drink for each concert)

Contact Marjorie Gorum • marlar@cox.net or Cristina Calderone • ccalderone246@gmail.com

The Summer Concert Series is hosted by the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Laguna Beach. All proceeds support worthy causes and organizations in our community and globally.

We sincerely thank you for your support.

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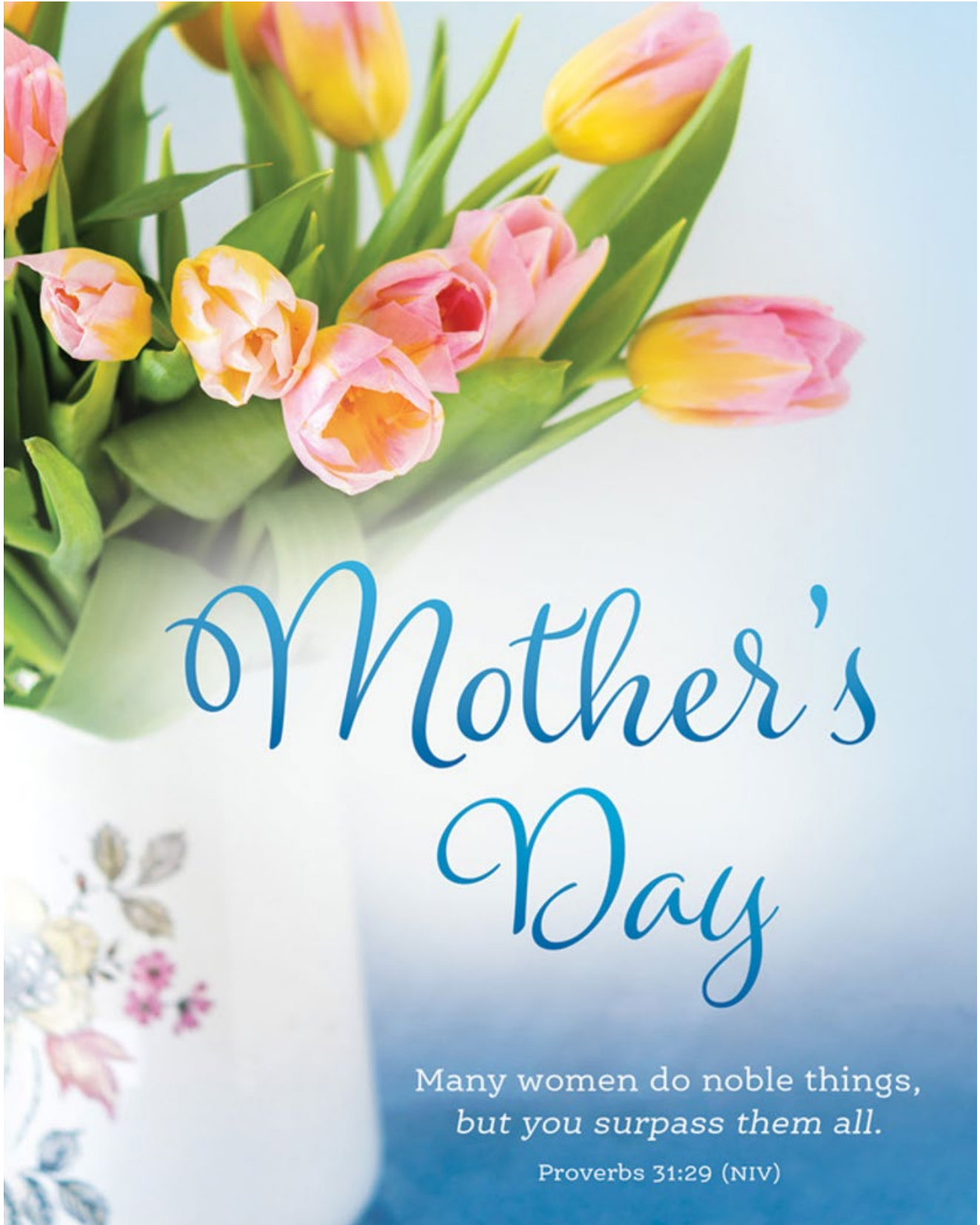
Episcopal Church Women (ECW)

THEME FOR MAY:

Nurturing

“Be the one who nurtures and builds. Be the one who has an understanding and a forgiving heart, one who looks for the best in people. Leave people better than you found them.”

Marvin J. Ashton



Mother's Day

Many women do noble things,
but you surpass them all.

Proverbs 31:29 (NIV)

As a small token of our appreciation, all Mother's and Motherly figures are welcome to a flower from St. Mary's this Mother's Day.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Sunday, May 12, 2024, Sunday after the Ascension

OPENING HYMN • Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise #423

Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise, in light in - ac -
 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light, nor want - ing, nor
 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small; in all life thou
 Thou reign - eth in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light, thine an - gels a -
 ces - si - ble hid from our eyes, most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the
 wast - ing, thou rul - est in might; thy jus - tice like moun - tains high
 liv - est, the true life of all; we blos - som and flour - ish, like
 dore thee, all veil - ing their sight; all laud we would ren - der: O
 An - cient of Days, al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
 soar - ing a - bove thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 leaves on the tree, then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
 help us to see 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Words: Walter Smith - Music: St. Denio, Welsh hymn

Before the service, we speak to God. During the service, God speaks to us.

The people stand at the introduction of the Opening Hymn.

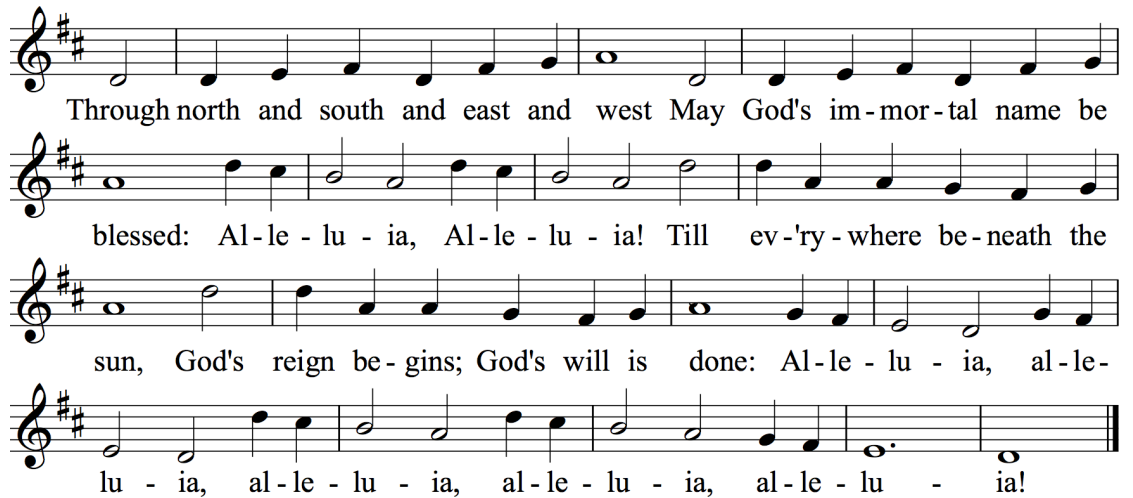
OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People Christ 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.

SONG OF PRAISE (GLORIA)



Through north and south and east and west May God's im-mor-tal name be
 blessed: Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia! Till ev-'ry-where be-neath the
 sun, God's reign be-gins; God's will is done: Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
 lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray. O God, the 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, one God, in glory everlasting.

People **Amen.**

The Word of God

THE FIRST LESSON • Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, “Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know every-

The people sit for the Word of God.

The choosing of twelve disciples as a special group seems to have been a sign of the coming age and of the new Israel. They are a distinct group whose numbers need to be restored after Judas's defection. In today's passage, the company of believers picks out two candidates who fulfill the criteria and then they cast lots to see who will replace Judas - a Hebrew custom to allow the operation of God's will. Matthias was chosen.

one's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM • *Psalm 1, Beatus vir qui non abiit*

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the | **wicked,**
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the | **scornful!**
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the | **Lord,**
and on this law they meditate day and | **night.**
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due | **season,**
with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall | **prosper.**
- 4 It is not so with the | **wicked;**
they are like chaff which the wind blows a- | **way.**
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment | **comes,**
nor the sinner in the council of the | **righteous.**
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the | **righteous,**
but the way of the wicked is | **doomed.**

THE SECOND LESSON • *1 John 5:9-13*

A reading from The First Letter of John

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

This psalm, with its call to a righteous life based on knowledge of the "law of the Lord," the Torah, serves as a fitting introduction to all the psalms. It springs from the wisdom tradition, which emphasized how to live in both material and spiritual prosperity. The righteous are those who have not taken the advice of the wicked, nor imitated their way of life, nor joined in their rejection of the law. They "meditate" (v. 2) upon it, literally, read it aloud in a low voice. The Lord is in intimate and personal relationship with the righteous.

Today's reading includes the end of the discussion on the witness to the Son of God, a statement of the point of the epistle and its purpose and the first part of an appendix. The testimony of God was manifested in two ways: first, through God's saving action in Jesus; second, through the result of that action - eternal life for the believer.

The people stand at the introduction of the Gradual Hymn.

GRADUAL HYMN • Come Away To The Skies

#213

Come a - way to the skies, my be - lov - ed, a - rise and re -
 Now with sing - ing and praise, let us spend all the days, by our
 For the glo - ry we were first cre - a - ted to share, both the
 Hal - le - lu - jah we sing, to our Fa - ther and King, and his

 joice in the day thou wast born; on this fes - ti - val day,
 hea - ven - ly Fa - ther be - stowed, while his grace we re - ceive
 na - ture and king - dom di - vine! Now cre - a - ted a - gain
 rap - tu - rous prai - ses, re - peat: to the Lamb that was slain,

 come ex - ult - ing a - way, and with sing - ing to Zi - on re - turn.
 from his boun - ty, and live to the hon - or and glo - ry of God.
 that our lives may re - main, through - out time and e - ter - ni - ty thine.
 hal - le - lu - jah a - gain, sing all hea - ven and fall at his feet.

Words: Charles Wesley - Music: Middlebury, from *The Southern Harmony*

THE HOLY GOSPEL • John 17:6-19

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "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. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; 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. 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. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have

been glorified in them. 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. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

Presider The Good News of Jesus.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



“He Who is of God Hears the Word of God” by James Tissot, 1836-1902

THE SERMON • *The Reverend Lester V. Mackenzie, AHC*

The Mother's Day Litany will be found on the following page.

Chapter 17 of John's Gospel is known as the “prayer of consecration” or “high priestly prayer” of Jesus. He offers himself to the Father and speaks as high priest in offering intercession for others. Jesus's ministry on earth is completed. He has revealed God to the disciples. For John, this prayer is the expression of Jesus's union and communion with the Father, spoken aloud before the disciples so that they may share that union

The people sit during the Sermon. A period of silence is to follow to reflect on the Readings and Sermon.

The people stand for the
Mother's Day Litany.

MOTHER'S DAY LITANY

One: For mother's brave, strong, compassionate, full of wisdom and grace,

All: **We give God thanks and praise.**

One: For mothers vulnerable, worried, frustrated, and hurried,

All: **We pray for peace.**

One: For relationships that are strained and no longer a source of joy,

All: **We pray for healing.**

One: For mothers who have died, that live no longer with us, but whose light shines on in our hearts and memories,

All: **We pray for those that mourn and give God thanks for life eternal.**

One: For mothers who grieve, who have lost children born or unborn,

All: **We weep with those with broken hearts.**

One: For those who are struggling to raise children, who are tired and weary,

All: **We pray that we may be their village, offering real help in hard times.**

One: For those who are preparing emptier nests,

All: **We both celebrate and mourn with you, and hope their wings are as strong as their roots are deep.**

One: For stepmothers, navigating the pitfalls and joys of creating a new family,

All: **We pray for wisdom and patience.**

One: For Grandmothers who are doing the hard work of raising children again,

All: **We pray the caregivers have those who care for them.**

One: For those who are waiting and sometimes struggling with the biological process to bring new life, and for those who are waiting for adoptive process to be fulfilled.

All: **We wait eagerly with you and offer you our hand to hold in the trial.**

One: For women who do not have children, but instead teach, lead, care for, and guide the children of others,

All: **We give God thanks and praise.**

One: For the mothers, sisters, daughters in our midst and around the world. For the women who, created in the image of God, give not just life, but abundant life. For women fighting, struggling, and sweating for the sake of others. For women caring, compassionate, and crying with the heart of Christ. For the caregivers, prophets, preachers, teachers, leaders, shepherds, healers. For Mothers, in their wide variety and many forms,

All: **We give God thanks and praise.**



The people greet one another with a sign of peace.

The people sit.

The people stand as are able.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Risen Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THANKSGIVINGS

THE OFFERTORY & OFFERTORY SENTENCE

DOXOLOGY

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

The Great Thanksgiving

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 2 (ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP)

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider 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.

Presider Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dore you! My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, Lord.

Words: Holy, Holy, Holy - Music: Composer of melody unknown

Presider Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Presider Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the *Sursum corda*, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

The Words of Institution recall Jesus' words at the Last Supper (instructing the disciples to do this in remembrance of him). The words of invocation called *Epiclesis* is where we ask the Holy Spirit to descend upon these gifts and upon us to make the bread and wine holy and to make us part of Christ's body.

Presider Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Mary and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us in the language of our heart, we are bold to say:

People **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.**

When Jesus taught his disciples this prayer it was a summary of all prayers. Placed in our liturgy at this place it again becomes the summation of our prayers to God in blessing the Bread and Wine.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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

One bread, one bo - dy, one Lord of all, one cup of
 bless - ing which we bless. And we, though ma - ny,
 through - out the earth. We are one bo - dy in this one Lord.

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LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er
 of our sins: Have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er, re -
 deem - er of the world: Give us your peace, give us your peace.

Agnus Dei, from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

People Risen Christ, whom we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands; the Word of life in whom our joy is complete: send us out to declare your truth, your unshakable faith and trust in the world you love. Amen.

Regardless of the tradition you come or where you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome to receive Communion at the Lord's Table.

When it is time for you to go forward to the altar rail, an usher will direct your row. Proceed to the altar rail and you may stand or kneel. Fold your right hand on top of your left, palms facing up, and receive the wafer. You may immediately eat the wafer or wait for the wine and take communion by intinction*. To sip the wine from the chalice, guide it to your lips with your hand on the base of the chalice. Receiving just the bread or wine alone is considered full communion.

THE BLESSING

Presider May the living God remove the suffocating shroud that lies upon our world; may the risen Savior draw the sting of death, bringing all to life in him; May the flowing Spirit set us and all creation free and seal our hearts with faith. And the blessings of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and those whom you love this day and always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN • Praise To The Living God

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Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name
Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;
His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will;
E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was and is, and is to be, for ay the same.
ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.
in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.
his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:
Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,
Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,
Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name

the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!
and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.
deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.
who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy - Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!



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