



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021

8:00AM & 10:30AM

PRELUDE

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia.

THE 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.*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,

almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

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, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 22:24-30

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

THE GOSPEL [STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE]

John 15:1-8

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Tim Meyers

THE NICENE CREED

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,*

*God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, including Joe, our president, Brian, our governor, and Keisha, our mayor, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city, 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, including Gini Cobb, Audrey Burdett, Anne Houk, and Reverend Buddy's father Grady Crawford, Sr., 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, including Paul Benjamin Pater, Arthur Cousins, and Rosemary Packard. For Evelyn Montez Christopher, Thomas Weldon Christopher, and Lawrence Arnold Reid for whom the flowers were given, 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.

For the people and clergy of St. Julian's, Douglasville; the SW Atlanta Convocation; the people and bishop of The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East and our companion diocese, Diocese of Cape Coast. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of St. Anne 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.

Officiant

God of peace, with tenderness and compassion you call us away from sin to fullness of life in your presence. Hear our prayers that by your grace we might build communities where all will flourish and find welcome. We ask this through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING [STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE]

Eucharistic Prayer B

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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,

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 St. Anne 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 forever. *Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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 BLESSING

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Post Communion Prayer for those worshiping online:

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION [IN UNISON]

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

PRAYER LIST

These are the loved ones for whom prayer has been requested. To add someone to the prayer list contact Jan Stewart at jstewart@saintannes.com.

Alina Brentnall	Family of Gloria Stone	Mike Dignam
Amanda Marie	Family of Jack Kern	Mike Ecker and Family
Amy Griffin	Family of Kathy Hunsinger	Mike
Andrew Baker	Family of Lee Cousins	Mitzi (Marcia) Schatz
Andrew Clark	Family of Patricia Crawford	Moppy Dimon Brumby
Andy and Glenna Smith	Family of Paul Benjamin Pater	Nancy Pavur
Ann and Sandy Sanderson	Family of Rosemary Packard	Nicholas Clark
Ann Houk	Gail	Our Vestry, Clergy and Staff
Anne Lacy Miller	George and Mary Marks	Parker Gibson
Ann Whitney	George Baird	Pat Logan
Annie Dimon	Gini Cobb	Peg Powers
Audrey Burdett	Herschel Atkinson	Peter Kintz
Blanche and Ronnie Sherrill	Jack Merritt	Robert Mejia
Bob	Jeanette Treadaway	Rosalind Blair
Boughton Walden	Jessica	Shelley McMahon
Grady Crawford, Sr.	Jim Dillon	Virginia Sinor
Carole	Jisoo Lee	Wendy Beasley
Clark Hansen	Judi Lawson	Will Broxterman
Community of Hope Ministers	Kathleen Dunlap	Will Nowack
Doug	Kathy Mathis	
Edward Brentnall, Sr.	Linda and Ed	DEPLOYED MILITARY
Family of Audrey Fremaux	Linda Beasley	PERSONNEL
Family of Gene Dykes	Martha Sterne	Noah Cook
	Matthew Going	Spc. Charles Klein
	Michael Arnold	Lt. Dylan Gordon Hayden

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Paul Benjamin Pater, Husband of Polly Pater
Arthur Cousins, Father of Lee Cousins
Rosemary Packard, Aunt of A.J. Zucchero



Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God
by Tom and Elaine Christopher
in loving memory of Evelyn Montez Christopher,
Thomas Weldon Christopher and Lawrence Arnold Reid
and
in thanksgiving for Annie Stewart Reid
and Charlie and Catherine Christopher.

Ministers of the Day, 8:00am

The Reverend Tim Meyers, Associate Rector
The Reverend Debra Aring, Deacon
Lori Moorhouse, Assistant Organist
Lee Miller, Verger
Hunter Brannon, Acolyte
Chris Montgomery, Lector
Alex Rhodeen, Intercessor
Deborah Childers, Altar Guild
Chris Montgomery, Arrange, Flower Guild
Gini Cobb, Flower Guild
Elizabeth Zucchero, Vestry of the Day

Ministers of the Day, 10:30am

The Reverend Buddy Crawford, Interim Rector
The Reverend Tim Meyers, Associate Rector
The Reverend Debra Aring, Deacon
Dr. Joyce Schemanske, Director of Music
Lee Miller, Verger
Stephen Goetze & AJ Zucchero, AV
Robert Weber, Acolyte
Katie Weber, Lector
Andy Tuck, Intercessor
Linda Cater, Altar Guild
Chris Montgomery, Arrange, Flower Guild
Gini Cobb, Deliver, Flower Guild
Elizabeth Zucchero, Vestry of the Day

VESTRY

Irene Pedersen, Sr. Warden
Dick Haining, Jr. Warden

Class of 2021

Judith Brown
Jeffrey Collins
Dick Haining
Leah Tennille

Class of 2022

Chase Long
Irene Pedersen
Heidi Swygert

Class of 2023

Nancy Brockway
Gini Cobb
Charlie Tuller
Elizabeth Zucchero

ST. ANNE’S CLERGY AND STAFF

The Reverend Grady “Buddy” Crawford, Interim Rector
The Reverend Tim Meyers, Associate Rector
The Reverend Debra Aring, Deacon
Patrick Cobb, Facilities Manager
Jan Stewart, Parish & Finance Administrator
Hala Hess White, Director of Communications
Dr. Joyce Schemanske, Director of Music
Tabi Tobiassen, Director of Children’s & Youth Ministries
Lisle Waits, Worship Assistant
Lee Cousins, Sexton

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