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Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5th, 2024 – 9:30 AM



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OPENING HYMN: ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING HYMNAL 400 (VERSES 1, 4, 5 & 7)

- All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing: alleluia, alleluia!
 Bright burning sun with golden beams, Pale silver moon that gently gleams, O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4. Dear mother earth, you day by day unfold your blessings on our way; O praise him, Alleluia! All flowers and fruits that in you grow, let them his glory also show: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 5. All you with mercy in your heart, forgiving others, take your part, O sing now: Alleluia! All you that pain and sorrow bear, praise God, and cast on him your care: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 7. Let all things their creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, Alleluia!
 Praise God the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER: PAGE 355

Celebrant:Alleluia, Christ is risen.People:The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

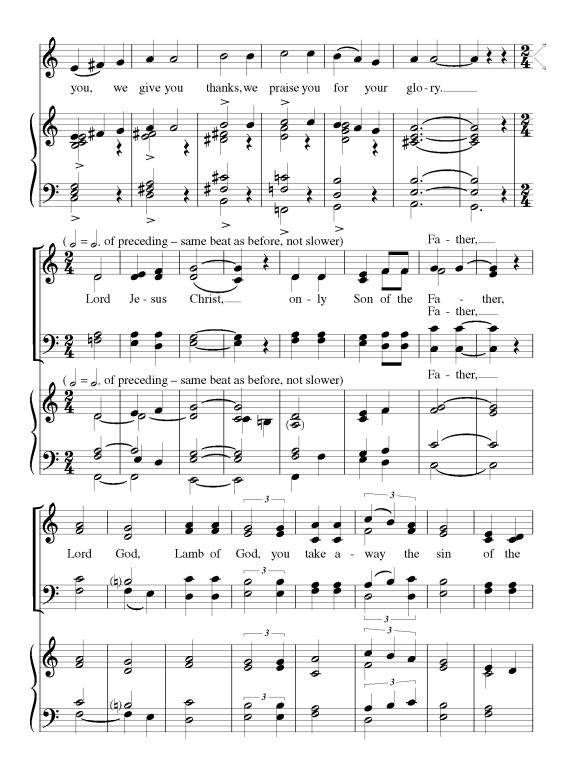
Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

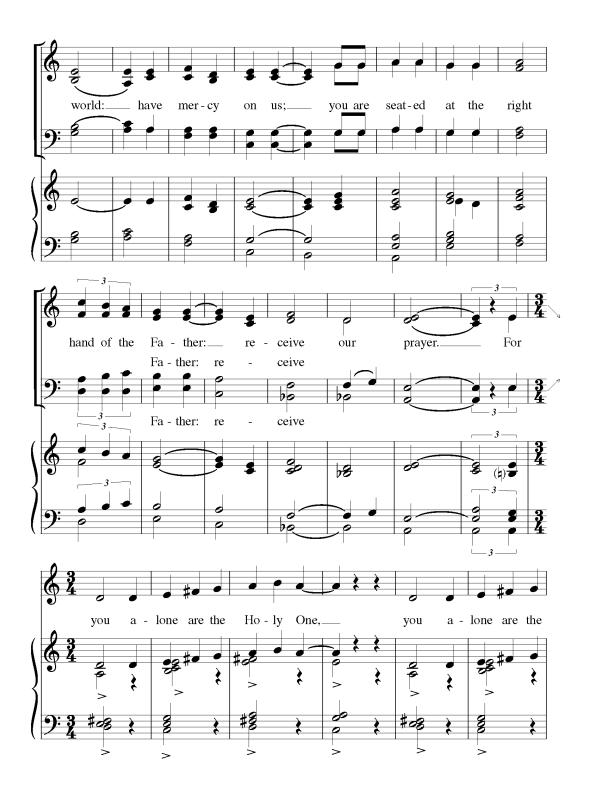


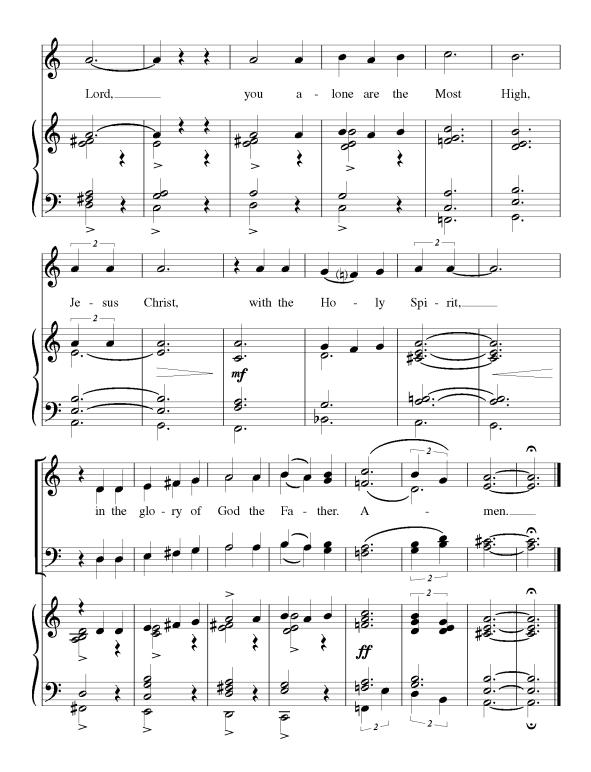
THE GLORIA

JOHN RUTTER









THE COLLECT, BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER: PAGE 225

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

The Celebrant then continues

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

THE FIRST READING ACTS 10:44-48

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Reader:Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.People:Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM: PSALM 98

Cantate Domino

¹ Sing to the LORD a new song, * for he has done marvelous things. ² With his right hand and his holy arm * has he won for himself the victory. ³ The LORD has made known his victory; * his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations. ⁴ He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, * and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. ⁵ Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; * lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing. ⁶ Sing to the LORD with the harp, * with the harp and the voice of song. ⁷ With trumpets and the sound of the horn * shout with joy before the King, the LORD. ⁸ Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, * the lands and those who dwell therein. ⁹ Let the rivers clap their hands, * and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, when he comes to judge the earth. ¹⁰ In righteousness shall he judge the world * and the peoples with equity.

THE SECOND READING 1 JOHN 5:1-6

Reader: A reading from the first letter of John.

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of

God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Reader:Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.People:Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN: I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT HYMNAL 490

I want to walk as a child of the light.
 I want to follow Jesus.
 God set the stars to give light to the world.
 The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain:

In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God.
 I want to look at Jesus.
 Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. [Refrain]

 I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus.
 When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. [Refrain]

THE HOLY GOSPELJOHN 15: 9-17

Celebrant:The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.People:Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

People:	Praise to you, Lord Christ.		
Celebrant:	The Gospel of the Lord.		

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*.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Adapted from St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Evanston, Ill.

The Leader and People pray responsively:

Celebrant: Rejoicing in the mighty acts of God who has delivered his people from sin and death through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, let us lift our voices and pray,

Leader: Risen Lord, *People:* Hear our Prayer.

Let us give thanks to God for the multitude of blessings he showers upon us: For our lives and for those whom we love, For the beauty of this home God has created for us, For our families and our friendships, Let us give thanks to the God of Life.

We pray this month for the members of the Vestry.

We pray in this month of May, which is Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month, Jewish American History Month and Mental Health Awareness Month.

The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

The names of those who have birthdays are requested by those who are on Zoom, while those in the congregation come forward.

When all are named, the following is prayed in unison:

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase. Bless and guide them

wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall. And in their hearts may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The names of those who have anniversaries are requested by those who are on Zoom, while those in the congregation come forward.

When all are named, the following is prayed in unison:

Gracious God, we remember with great thanksgiving the vows of love and commitment to you and to each other made by these persons N. and N. who are before us this day. We pray for your continued blessing and we pray that they may learn from both their joys and their sorrows, and discover constantly new riches in their life together in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Leader: Risen Lord, *People:* Hear our Prayer.

Let us pray for the Church, that it may carry forward the redemptive works of God:

For our clergy and our bishops,

For the many lay people who serve the church,

And serve the world through the church.

For those gather here in worship and prayer.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord, *People:* Hear our Prayer.

Let us pray for the newly baptized, that the joy of Easter may ever grow within them, and that the Spirit may guide them in lives of active faith.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord, *People:* Hear our Prayer.

Let us pray for the nations and peoples of the world, that the powers that oppress and destroy may decline, and that justice, peace, and prosperity be lifted up.

The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

Leader:	Risen Lord,
People:	Hear our Prayer.

Let us pray for those who are sick, those who suffer, those who struggle, and those who have died:

For: Janet Gray and her mother Eileen Joseph. Cecille Taylor-Simpson, who is recovering from knee replacement surgery. Mary Meade who has broken ribs. Nancy, dear friend of Kathy Yamaoka, who is battling a third recurrence of breast cancer, as she begins another round of chemotherapy this week. Howell, Kathy's brother, who has entered hospice care. For Joanne Douds family members; Victoria, Bob, Andrea, Susan and Saul. Trudi Whittle, who has moved to assisted living in Tennessee to be close to her sister. Winston Cummings who is home from the hospital, recuperating from his heart valve replacement. Barbara Van Doren who has entered hospice. Joy Manasse's sisters Pam and Jean, who are both ill. Matthew Girardi who is receiving immunotherapy treatment.

The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

When all are named, the Leader continues:

In the hope born of Easter give them peace, acceptance and renewal; and may they through their struggles come into closer communion with the God who redeems and restores.

Leader:	Risen Lord,		
People:	Hear our Prayer.		

Leader: Finally, let us pray for those who are travelling this week.

The names of those who are traveling are requested by those who are on Zoom, while those in the congregation come forward.

When all are named, the following is prayed in unison:

O God, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader:	Risen Lord,
People:	Hear our Prayer.

Celebrant: Let us conclude our prayers by praying together:

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE PEACE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER: PAGE 360

Celebrant:The peace of the Lord be always with you.People:And also with you.

THE OFFERTORY

"The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it". (Psalm 24:1)

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THE OFFERTORY SENTENCES

THE OFFERTORY HYMN: HERE I AM, LORD

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 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.
 I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain-Here am I, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

- 2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
 I have wept for love of them.
 They turn away.
 I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.
 I will speak my words to them.
 Whom shall I send? (Refrain-)
- 3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will send the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide, 'Til their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain-)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 2, PAGE 60

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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 our thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

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. And so this day we join in with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say): THE SANCTUS S125 (sung)



The Celebrant continues

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.

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."

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 [_______ 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. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER: PAGE 364

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.



THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: So, come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more. You who have been to this sacrament often, and you who have not been for a long time. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

THE HOLY COMMUNION — ALL ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE

THE COMMUNION HYMNS

DEAR LORD AND FATHER OF MANKIND

- Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways! Re-clothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.
- 2. In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word, rise up and follow thee.
- O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
 O calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with thee the silence of eternity interpreted by love!

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- 4. Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.
- Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm.

I'VE GOT PEACE LIKE A RIVER

LEVAS 201

- I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.
- 2. I've got joy like a fountain,I've got joy like a fountain,I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.
- I've got love like an ocean,
 I've got love like an ocean,
 I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

The Postcommunion Prayer from the Anglican Church in Sydney, Australia

Celebrant : Let us pray. All: God of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and whole earth live to praise your name. *Amen*.

THE EASTER BLESSING

Celebrant:	May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us God's children through the resurrection of the only-begotten Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of God's blessing.
People:	Amen.
Celebrant:	May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ forever.
People:	Amen.
Celebrant:	May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.
People:	Amen.
Celebrant:	The blessing of God who creates us, who comes to us in human form, and who continually breathes new life into us, be with you this Easter season and to the end of time.
People:	Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

- We welcome anyone visiting us or new to the parish. If you wish, you may speak to our welcomer of the week who is wearing a badge and who I am asking to please raise her hand. You also may speak to our head usher, Sandra Tudor. Sandra, please raise your hand. Either one of these two people can assist you in any way. If you like, you may stand up and introduce yourself. Whether you stand up or not, we thank you for visiting, and hope you return.
- Today, after the service, Rev. Rose invites all Ministry Leaders (Wardens, Vestry Members, and Commission and Committee Heads) to meet in the Ladies' Parlor. Please bring your food and drink as we discuss a few topics together.
- The Lay Eucharistic Ministry is an exciting opportunity to assist the priest at our Lord's table where we are all welcome. Lay Eucharistic Ministers assist the priest in serving communion. We are expanding this ministry and will offer training for licensing soon. If you feel called to serve in this ministry or have questions about it please see Reverend Rose or Jerrick.
- Sunday, May 5, at 5:00 p.m. at St. George's. St. George's Episcopal Church in Maplewood and Calvary Episcopal Church in Summit are pleased to offer a service of worship for the community. The service traces salvation history the history of God's faithfulness through a series of readings, poetry, and music. All music, prayers, and poetry featured in this service is written by African American composers and poets. The choirs are joined by singers from the Episcopal Church of St. Andrew and Holy Communion in South Orange, soloists, organ, and a gospel combo. The event will be live-streamed. You are invited to join either in person or online. A freewill offering goes to benefit the music ministries at Calvary and St. George's, which supports programs like this one. A festive reception will follow the service, sponsored by the Justice and Advocacy Ministry and the Absalom Jones Ministry for Black History and Culture. We hope you can join us! <u>https://stgeorges-maplewood.org/</u>

- Community Garden 2024: After our experimental but successful first year, in which we discovered almost everything grew exceedingly well, we are preparing for our second year. The garden workday is scheduled for May 11th at 11 a.m. We need to spread more topsoil, weed, and plant. If you are or know any high school or college students who need community service hours, this would be a great day for them. Scouts and anyone else are welcome too. Lunch will be provided.
- June 9th is Graduation Sunday. Congratulations to the Class of 2024! We are honoring all our SAHC Graduates on Sunday, June 9th: Preschool, Kindergarten, Elementary School, Middle School, High School, College and Post-Grads. Please send information on your Graduates to Kathy Yamaoka by Monday, May 20 (<u>katyamaoka@aol.com</u>, 973 865-4333). Include name of graduate, grade and school graduating from, new school or future plans, and a photo if you'd like to share.
- **Confirmation Class 2025 begins this fall.** The Confirmation Class of 2025 will begin in the fall, meeting through the Spring of 2024. It is open to students in the eighth grade and above, adults who have not been confirmed, and adults from other traditions who would like to be officially received into the Episcopal Church. The class will meet after church approximately every other week. For information or sign up, contact Kathy Yamaoka at 973 865-4333, or via email at katyamaoka@aol.com
- SAHC collects food supplies for food pantries. Donations of packaged or canned foods can be left in the Donation Closet located near the church office. Only non-perishable items such as pasta, cereal, and canned food, please. Thank you for helping to support our neighbors who struggle to feed their families and themselves.
- North Porch is in need of the following supplies: Diapers size 4, 5, and 6, Enfamil Infant Formula 12.5 oz containers (yellow label), Baby wipes, Baby toiletries (diaper cream, baby wash/shampoo), Supplies can be left at church during office hours or any Sunday when we hold in-person services.

May 5, 9:30 am	Holy Eucharist
May 5, 9:30 am	Sunday School
May 5, 11:00 am	Church Leadership Meeting (Vestry, Committee & Commission
	Chairs)
May 8, 7:30 pm	Wednesdays at SAHC (Online Spirituality Group)
May 9, 6:30 pm	ESL
May 11, 11 am	Community Garden Planting
May 12, 9:30 am	Holy Eucharist: ALL Ages Service and Mother's Day
	Celebration
May 15, 7:30 pm	Wednesdays at SAHC (Online Spirituality Group)
May 16, 6:30 pm	ESL
May 19, 9:30 am	The Feast of Pentecost
May 19, 9:30 am	Sunday School
May 22, 7:30 pm	Wednesdays at SAHC (Online Spirituality Group)
May 23, 6:30 pm	ESL
May 26, 9:30 am	Trinity Sunday, followed by celebration of May Birthdays
May 29, 7:30 pm	Wednesdays at SAHC (Online Spirituality Group)
May 30, 6:30 pm	ESL Last Class
June 2, 9:30 am	Holy Eucharist, followed by Celebration of Guyanese
	Independence
June 2, 9:30 am	Sunday School
June 5, 7:30 pm	Wednesdays at SAHC (Online Spirituality Group)
June 9, 9:30 am	Holy Eucharist ALL Ages Service and Graduation Sunday
June 12, 7:30 pm	Wednesdays at SAHC (Online Spirituality Group)
June 16, 9:30 am	Holy Eucharist and Father's Day Celebration
June 16, 9:30 am	Sunday School
June 19, 7:30 pm	Wednesdays at SAHC (Online Spirituality Group)
June 23, 9:30 am	Holy Eucharist and Last Sunday School Class Celebration
June 23, 9:30 am	Sunday School
June 26, 7:30 pm	Wednesdays at SAHC (Online Spirituality Group)
June 30, 9:30 am	Holy Eucharist and Pride Celebration

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	Income	Budget	Variance	Comment
Week 14	\$4,082.03	\$6,650.63	\$(2,568.60)	Shortfall
Week 15	\$20,055.34	\$6,650.63	\$13,404.71	surplus
Week 16	\$6,740.59	\$6,650.63	89.96	surplus
Week 17	\$3,232.90	\$6,650.63	(3,417.73)	shortfall
Year to Date	\$122,564.06	\$113,060.71	\$9,503.35	surplus

We fell short of our goal this past week, it is my understanding that there were some checks in the office that were late for count so they will be included in next week's deposit.

CLOSING HYMN: LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING HYMNAL 657

- Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.
- Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be alway blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

 Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee: changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant:Today's Service has ended,
but our service in the world continues, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!All:Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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SAINTS ALIVE

ST. MARK, THE EVANGELIST



Feast Day, April 25, Patron Saint of Venice, Italy

Mark was a companion of the disciples Peter and Paul, and he worked alongside the early missionaries. He was a fascinating man and the author of the second gospel.

Mark lived in the city of Jerusalem. He was the son of a wealthy and important woman, who was one of the first Christians. Her house was a meeting place for the disciples, and Mark often met them. He soon became interested in what they had to say and was baptized a Christian.

Mark decided to become a missionary, traveling first with the disciple Paul and later with his cousin, Barnabas. When Mark eventually arrived in Rome, Italy, he became a close companion of Peter. Years later, when Mark wrote his gospel, he put in the stories that Peter had told him about the life and teachings of Jesus.

Mark's later life is shrouded in legend. It is said that he sailed to Egypt but was captured and killed. Around 700 years later, in A.D. 829, his remains were taken to Venice, Italy, where, it is said, they still lie today inside the famous St. Mark's Basilica.

Saints and Angels, Claire Llewellyn

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