

# St. John's Episcopal Church

Easter 4C The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist: Rite II ✠ May 11, 2025

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Celebrant: Rev. Harold Schneider

Liturgist: Beth Ann Tesluk

Music Director: Kitty Underwood

**Processional Hymn:** *Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken*

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*BCP #355*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ is Risen,

*People:* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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**

Hymn S-280

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 Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

### **The Collect of the Day:**

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people:  
Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us  
each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the  
Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lessons**

The First Lesson: **Acts 9:36-43**

**Insert**

**Psalm 23**

**Insert**

The Second Lesson: **Revelation 7:9-17**

**Insert**

Sequence Hymn: *Shepherd of Souls Refresh and Bless* **H-343**

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

The Holy Gospel: **John 10:22-30**

**Insert**

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ**

**Sermon:**

Rev. Harold Schneider

BCP #358

The Nicene Creed (*all standing*)

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.

BCP #388

## Prayers of the People Form IV

*(Read responsively)*

*Deacon or other leader*

Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy

**Hear our prayer**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth s your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy

**Hear our prayer**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

***BCP #359***

**Confession of Sin**

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our Neighbor

**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.**

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

BCP #360

## The Peace

*All stand.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

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

Announcements

**Offertory Anthem:**    *My Shepherd*

**Choir**

Doxology: (verse 3 Hymn 380)

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

V. All things come of thee, O Lord.

R. And of thine own have we given thee. (1 Chr. 29:14)

BCP #367

## Eucharistic Prayer B

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

The Lord be with you.

**People:**            **And also with you.**

**Celebrant:**      Lift up your hearts.

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

**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:**            **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every- where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a proper preface is sung or said on all Sunday's and on other occasions as appointed.*

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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

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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,

**Celebrant and People:**

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

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*The celebrant continues*

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. John 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 for ever.  
AMEN.

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

#### BCP #364

#### The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.  
A period of silence is kept.  
Then may be sung or said*

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

#### BCP #407

#### Agnes Dei (Sung)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace  
*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

Celebrant 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.



Ministration of Communion – All are welcome at  
God's table.

Communion Anthem: *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

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*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people. The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]  
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

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Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Recessional Hymn: *Sing Ye Faithful Sing with Gladness*

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The Dismissal

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words;*  
Let us go forth into the world,  
Rejoicing  
**People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Final Blessing:**                      Congregation                      Sung

God be with you till we meet again,  
By His Counsels guide, uphold you With His  
sheep securely fold you;  
God be with you, till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again,  
'Neath His Wings protecting hide you. Daily  
manna still provide you;  
God be with you till we meet again.  
**Amen**

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## News & Upcoming Events

- St. John's on YouTube: Facebook is making some changes and will no longer keep videos for longer than 30 days. But you can start to find recent services on our YouTube channel! There are a ton of churches named after St. John, but there is only one St. John's Dryden, and our YouTube handle is simply @StJohnsDryden. You can type that into the YouTube search, then bookmark this link to have it handy!  
<https://www.youtube.com/@StJohnsDryden>
- Supporting our Neighbors: Our friends at Linked Hearts are seeing an increase in need from the community. They are grateful for donations of the items on their list (available in the Parish Hall), but also are in need of cash gifts to replenish their ability to both pay their own bills as well as cover gaps in donated goods. If you have the means to do so, please consider supporting them with such a gift!

