

Welcome to
The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd



THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 15, 2022

10:00 AM, THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II
& HOLY BAPTISM

Welcome to the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd!

COVID-19 Precautions

Masks are now optional. Please be considerate of those who choose to wear masks and observe social distancing. Thank you.

Visitors

Welcome! We're glad to have you worship with us. If you'd like to learn more about this community of faith and our different ministries, fill out one of our visitor cards (in the pews) and hand it to an usher.

Restrooms

Exit through the courtyard. A family restroom is available to your right in the Worsham Hall building as soon as you go through the glass door.

Ask an usher if you need any assistance.

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OPENING VOLUNTARY

Litanies

Jehan Alain (1911-1940)

Peter DeWitt, *Guest Organist*

WELCOME

The Rev. Brent Owens, *Rector*

OPENING HYMN

Christ is alive, let Christians sing

Truro Hymnal 182

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

GLORIA

Glory to God

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Hymnal S-280

(Hymn numbers preceded by an "S" are found in the front of the hymnal.)

Celebrant

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People

There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People

One God and Father of all.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Celebrant

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.**

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON: Acts 11:1-18

Reader: A reading from Acts.

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 148

Celebrant and the People read the psalm by half verse.

- ¹ Hallelujah!
Praise the LORD from the heavens; *
praise him in the heights.
- ² Praise him, all you angels of his; *
praise him, all his host.
- ³ Praise him, sun and moon; *
praise him, all you shining stars.
- ⁴ Praise him, heaven of heavens, *
and you waters above the heavens.
- ⁵ Let them praise the Name of the LORD; *
for he commanded, and they were created.
- ⁶ He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- ⁷ Praise the LORD from the earth, *
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- ⁸ Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- ⁹ Mountains and all hills, *
fruit trees and all cedars;
- ¹⁰ Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and winged birds;
- ¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;
- ¹² Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.
- ¹³ Let them praise the Name of the LORD, *
**for his Name only is exalted,
his splendor is over earth and heaven.**
- ¹⁴ He has raised up strength for his people
and praise for all his loyal servants, *
**the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Hallelujah!**

Please stand.

THE EPISTLE: Revelation 21:1-6

Reader: A reading from Revelation.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL MUSIC

O holy city, seen of John

Morning Song

Hymnal 583

Please stand.

THE GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going,

you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Brent Owens

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Celebrant The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents I present Dorothy to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents and Godparents I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents and Godparents I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents and Godparents I do.

To the congregation:

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Dorothy in her life in Christ.

People **We will.**

Celebrant Let us join with Dorothy who is committing herself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Please stand.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **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.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **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.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for Dorothy who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

OFFERTORY

Beloved, Let Us Love One Another

Van Denman Thompson

Kate Medill, *soprano*

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God;
and every one that loveth is begotten of God, and knoweth God.
Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to atone for
our sins.

Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.
If we love one another God abideth in us, and his love is made perfect in us.
God is love, and whoso abideth in love abideth in God and God abideth in him.

THE DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low;

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host;

Refrain
Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. O — praise him, O — praise him,

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! A - - men.

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II

The people stand.

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

SANCTUS

The Celebrant and People sing

Hymnal S-129

**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.**

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."

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 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

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

People and Celebrant

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

FRACTION HYMN Christ our Passover Gerald Near (b. 1942) Hymnal S-155

Celebrant and People sing

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

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Give Alms of Thy Goods

Christopher Tye (16th century)

Give almes of thy goods, and turn never thy face from any poor man:
and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People and Celebrant

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

*A blessing is offered and the people respond **Amen.***

CLOSING HYMN Ye holy angels bright *Darwall's 148th.* Hymnal 625

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bonds J. S. Bach

*Altar flowers are given by Julie and Tommy Davis
to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for their wedding anniversary.*

Dorothy Marie Weatherly
Candidate for Holy Baptism

Katherine Louise Krieg Weatherly
Eric Craig Weatherly, Jr.
Parents

Sarah Elizabeth Marga Krieg
Cordes Skinner Lindow
Hans Benjamin Krieg
Joey Assaf
Godparents

Special Prayers

We pray for peace throughout the world, especially for peace in Ukraine.

We pray for our companion dioceses of Cuba and Peru, and especially for our companion parish, The Church of the Annunciation in Florida, Cuba.

We pray for those in our diocese, especially for: Episcopal Church of the Ascension, Carrabelle; St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Fernandina Beach; St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Green Cove Springs; Episcopal Church of the Holy Comforter, Crescent City; Christ Episcopal Church, Cedar Key; All Saint's Chapel, Hastings Youth Academy; St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Madison.

We give thanks and pray for the safety of all healthcare workers, especially for: Dean, Karen, George, Alan, Naya, Jay, Lysa, Tony, Tom, Brett, Susanna C., MacLean Nasrallah, Ilya Nasrallah.

We pray for those in need of healing, strength or guidance, especially for: Jamie, Michael, Kerry, Elizabeth, Kathleen, Skye Carroll, Missy L., Peter Flood, Brandon Centerwall, Yevgeniya, Julie Beasley, Courtney, Rodman, Allison DeFoor, Polly, Lawrence, Jennifer Keen, Nancy, John, Glenn, Ruth, Constantine, Gail Dunn, Art Jennette, Patricia Lee, E. G. Newsom, Dorothy, Ingo, Ellen, Shirley Walters, and our postulant Teri Calinao and husband George.

We pray for those affected by COVID-19, and for those who have died from the virus.

**We pray for those who have died, especially Emily Miller.
May their souls, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.**

We pray for all who are serving in our Armed Forces and Intelligence Services, both at home and abroad, especially for: Rich, Ashton, Zachary, Brooker, Caleb, Charlie, Erik, Katie, Bradley Williams, Thomas Crouch, Jonathan Ubl, Channing Mattix, Warren Butler.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially for

Dale Taylor	May 16
Selma Cox	May 18
Martha Johns	May 19

Naya Lyons-Khadpe May 20
Malinda Owens May 21

We give thanks for those celebrating anniversaries this week.

*Let us know if there is someone who could be blessed by receiving flowers from the altar
or if you would like to add a name to our prayer list.
welcome@gsjax.church*

Additional dedication for flowers donated on April 24:

*Given by Patricia Lee in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Wood, Jr,
Mr. and Mrs. John D. Alderman*

Announcements

What can I do to help people in Ukraine?



Episcopal Relief & Development and other Anglican partners can provide some assistance to those fleeing the violence in Ukraine. For more information, visit episcopalrelief.org. To donate, scan the QR code with your phone.

Stay after the 10:00 am Service for a Potluck in Betsy Lovett Hall!

We welcome Peter DeWitt who is serving as our substitute organist today.

Adult Reader and Liturgical Server Training: Next Sunday, May 22

Good Shepherd adults serving—and interested in serving—as readers or at the altar are invited to a brief training session on Sunday, May 22, following the 10:00 am worship service that day. This is an opportunity for questions, clarifications, and a chance to enrich our knowledge and understanding of the Good Shepherd church liturgy. Jean Krueger and Paul Arrington will lead this important training in the life of Good Shepherd. As always, thank you for your service.

Confirmation & Reception: Take the Next Step in Your Membership

Bishop Howard will be at Good Shepherd for confirmation and reception on Sunday, June 12. If you are an adult and would like to be confirmed or received, we have a series of 3 classes (May 22, 29, and June 5) to prepare you. The class is at 11:30 am (after the 10:00 am service) in the Library so that it does not conflict with other Good Shepherd activities. Bring a sack lunch. The classes will end by 12:45 pm.

- **Confirmation** is a sacramental rite in which baptized candidates “express a mature commitment to Christ and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayers and the laying on of hands by a bishop.” BCP p. 860
- **Reception** is for baptized persons who have made a mature commitment to Christ in another Christian denomination and now wish to be members of the Episcopal

Church. The candidate is received through the laying on of hands and prayer by the Bishop.

Please RSVP for attendance by contacting Rev. Brent Owens at bowens@gsjax.church or by calling (904) 866-9772.

This Week

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study, Weekly at 7:00 am in Betsy Lovett Hall

Get a mid-week boost each Wednesday from 7:00 am to 7:45 am! Enjoy eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, oatmeal, yogurt, fruit, and, of course, Sequential Coffee. Father Brent will lead us in a short Bible Study and we will pray before we continue on our day. Please enter through the Forbes Street door.

Wednesday Evening Compline on YouTube

Visit our YouTube channel at or after 7:00 pm each Wednesday for a service of Compline. Services are led by different people each week. These services are brief and a good way to find peace after a long day.

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Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, May 18th

7:00 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study in Betsy Lovett Hall
7:00 pm Compline on YouTube

Sunday, May 22nd

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite I in the Chapel
9:00 am Bible Study in Craig Lounge (and by Zoom)
9:50 am Children's Sunday School in Early Learning Center Classroom
10:00 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Church and on YouTube
Coffee Hour follows the 10:00 am service in Craig Lounge
11:30 am Confirmation & Reception Class in the Library

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