



An Historic Episcopal Church with a Contemporary Urban Ministry

Last Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2026

10:00 a.m.

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Welcome! As our Lord Jesus Christ said, Peace be with you. Wherever you come from and wherever you are on your journey of faith, we are glad you are with us. Let us enter into God's presence together.

<u>Prelude</u>	"Chorale" "Meditation"	Paul de Maleingreau Peter Hurford
<u>Opening Hymn</u>	"Hail the day that sees him rise"	Hymn #214

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

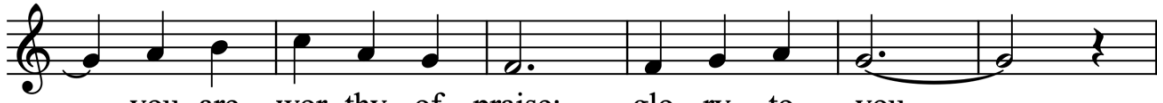
The Celebrant may say

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



Glo - ry to you, _____ Lord God of our fa - thers;



you are wor - thy of praise; glo - ry to you. _____



Glo - ry to you _____ for the ra - diance of your ho - ly Name;



_____ we will praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____



Glo - ry to you _____ in the splen - dor of your tem - ple; _____ on the



throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to you. _____ Glo - ry to you,



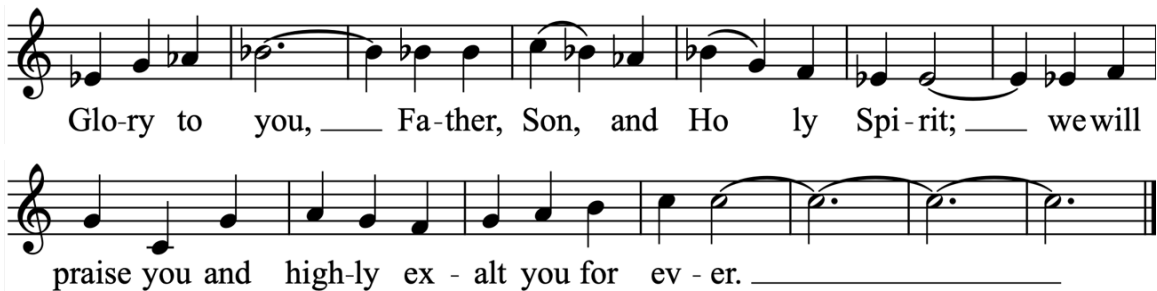
seat - ed be - tween the Cher - u - bim; _____ we wil praise you and



high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____ Glo - ry to you, _____ be -



holding the depths; _____ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to you. _____



Glo-ry to you, — Fa-ther, Son, and Ho ly Spi-rit; — we will
 praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

Setting: John Rutter (b. 1945)

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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. **Amen.**

First Lesson

(Acts 1:6-14)

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 68

The antiphon is first sung by a cantor, then repeated by all.



God, in your good - ness, you have made a home for the poor.

The verses are sung by a cantor. All sing the antiphon where indicated.

The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,
they shall exult and dance for joy.

O sing to the Lord, make music to God's name.

Rejoice in the Lord, exult before God. *Antiphon*

Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,
such is God in the holy place.

God gives the lonely a home to live in;
and leads the prisoners forth into freedom. *Antiphon*

You poured down, O God, a generous rain;
when your people were starved you gave them new life.

It was there that your people found a home,
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. *Antiphon*

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Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

“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.”

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. John Greenhow

Nicene Creed

Authorized text from Enriching our Worship 2

**Asterisks indicate a variance from the Book of Common Prayer.*

**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,

***was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary**

***and became truly human.**

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,**

***who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,**

***who 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 – Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For all public officials: Donald the President of the United States, Tony the Governor of Wisconsin, Cory the Mayor of Racine, and all those running for office. For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Matthew, our Diocesan Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray especially for the staff, volunteers, and guests of the Hospitality Center, Racine Vocational Ministries, and the Brown Bag Lunch. And we pray for those who are sick [especially_____].

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life [especially_____].

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom [especially_____].

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, 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.**

The Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with the following sentence of Scripture

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*

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Offertory Hymn “Crown him with many crowns”

Hymn #494

Celebrant: All things come of Thee, O Lord

People: **And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

(BCP Pg. 361)

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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 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:

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, —

God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry;

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one

who comes — in the name of the Lord. — Ho - san - na in the high-est.

The people may kneel or stand

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all . . . Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts . . .

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

A - - men. A - - men. A - - men.

The Lord's Prayer

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

Celebrant and People:

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
 be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,

on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread, and for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Setting: Plainsong; Adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Cantor
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sac - ri - ficed for us.

All
There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Communion

In the Episcopal Church, all are welcome at the table of the Lord.

If you have been baptized in any Christian tradition, you may receive communion. If you have not been baptized, you are welcome to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like to receive a blessing or to indicate that you do not want to receive the bread or wine. For a gluten free host, please come to the celebrant and place your thumb in your palm.

Communion Hymn

“Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray”

Hymn #315

Post-communion Prayer

The people kneel, if able.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

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.**

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant (Name), we send you out to share Communion this week with (Name).

People **May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ’s presence.**

Celebrant May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

The Blessing

The priest blesses the congregation. The congregation responds with: Amen.

Recessional Hymn

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

Hymn #460

For the Episcopal Ministries in Racine

Congregations of St. Luke's and St. Michael's Diocese of Wisconsin
Hospitality Center
Racine Vocational Ministry
The DeKoven Center
Brown Bag Ministry

Those who are Sick or in Need or Homebound

Bethany, Laandan, Tony, Ron, Gerald, Jean, Olivia, Katie, Sally, Heather, Leah,
George, Gregory, Andrea, DaMary, John, Marcos, Irene, Lois, David, Bill, Ramon, Marvin

Homebound: Barbara, Jeanne, Bill

For Those who have Departed

Jack Greeley

Special Offering

Cash or checks in the offering that are not designated for regular needs will be given to the **Racine Vocational Ministries**. Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.

Thanksgiving for Birthdays and Wedding Anniversary

Bill, Jim

Leah and Naoki Nakamura

Today's **Altar flowers** are given by Hazel Dickfoss to the glory of God and in memory of Fred Dickfoss.

Altar Flowers

A reminder that there are openings for our Sunday Altar flowers. Please check the flower chart in Simpson Hall. You can remember a loved one with this nice tribute.

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