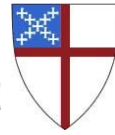


# St. Augustine's

In The Woods



An Episcopal Church serving Whidbey Island

Reverence ~ Community - Compassion - Commitment - Reconciliation

A Greening Congregation



The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Year B

April 28, 2024

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*Welcome!*

*The presence of visitors enriches our liturgy immensely. We welcome you and invite you to participate by sharing in our worship as we gather to hear God's word, pray, and celebrate the Holy Eucharist.*

*We especially welcome you to share in the bread and wine at God's table.*

*Covid is on the rise, so we encourage wearing masks at this time. Masks and cough drops are available just outside the entryway doors to the Sanctuary and at the Welcome Table. We are leaving the entryway doors to the Sanctuary open during the service to increase airflow and to allow for easier movement, in case you need to get a drink of water or step outside of the Sanctuary. Ushers are available to help. We are committed to the safety and well-being of all.*

# Holy Eucharist Rite I

*Congregational responses are in bold face.*

Welcome and Announcements The Rev. Jennifer B. Cleveland

Acclamation

*Presider:* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

Pascha Nostrum *Said by all.*

**Alleluia.**

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \***

**therefore let us keep the feast,**

**Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \***

**but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.**

**Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \***

**death no longer has dominion over him.**

**The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \***

**but the life he lives, he lives to God.**

**So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \***

**and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.**

**Christ has been raised from the dead, \***

**the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

**For since by a man came death, \***

**by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.**

**For as in Adam all die, \***

**so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.**

Collect of the Day

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And with thy spirit.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

*Presider:* O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

Lesson Acts 8:26-40

*Reader:* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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

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*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 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 for ever!"**

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 for ever.**

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn \*

the saving deeds that he has done.

The Epistle 1 John 4:7-21

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Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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*Presider:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People:* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

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

*Presider:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

Sermon Eclipse Garrett

The Nicene Creed

*All stand, as able.*

**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 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 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

*Please stand, sit, or kneel as able.*

In the power of the resurrection, let us pray to the One who creates, redeems, and sustains, saying: God of Life. Hear our prayer.

For the whole bright earth, so lovingly created and so compassionately redeemed, that all people of the world, remembering the Source of Life, may care for the waters of the earth and for all living things.

God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all nations and peoples of the earth, to whom God shows no partiality, that all may be transformed by mercy to live together in hope. God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all those in positions of authority, that they may be led to govern with equity and justice.

God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For the whole church, that unending witness may be made to our common mission to be the Body of Christ in daily life: We give thanks for the Cathedral Day confirmation of Emily Licastro and Amy Petersen, and the reception of Charlotte Bear. We pray for Alex Bear and all those preparing for baptism.

God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who are captive in any way, that all may find strength, hope, and freedom.

God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all who suffer in mind, body, or soul, that they may be comforted.

God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all who have died and for all who grieve, that in the risen Christ, they may find light perpetual and blessed assurance. We pray especially for Robert Erb. God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all gathered here, that we, like those first witnesses to the resurrection, joyfully walk in newness of life. We give thanks for Carole Hansen, Art Taylor, Dann Jergenson, Kristin Schricker, and Marianne Tuttle, who are celebrating birthdays this week; and for Jillian Hershberger, who is celebrating the anniversary of baptism. God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

Dear friends in Christ, whom else do you wish to pray for this day?

*Please add your prayers, silently or aloud.*

*Presider:* Trusting in your abundant mercy, O God, we commend into your care all for whom we pray, and our own lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

*The confession and absolution are omitted during the Easter season.*

The Peace

*Presider:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And with thy spirit.**

*Please be seated.*

The Offertory: Set your minds on things that are above and not on the things that are on earth. For your life is hidden with Christ in God. Alleluia.

*Please stand as able.*

*Presider:* All things come of thee, O Lord.

*People:* **And of thine own we have given thee.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer II

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And with thy spirit.**

*Presider:* Lift up your hearts

*People:* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

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

*People:* **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Presider:* It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:**

**Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.**

**Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**Blessed is the one that cometh in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for all, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

#### The Lord's Prayer

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

*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

*Presider:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

#### The Communion of the People

*Presider:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy gifts for Holy People.

*Silence is kept.*

***All are welcome at God's table!***

*There are many ways to participate in communion.*

***You may choose to receive both the bread and the wine.***

***Wine will be offered by sipping from the chalice only.***

*To drink from the Common cup, simply guide the chalice to your lips.*

***You may choose to receive the bread only; to receive bread, simply hold out your hands.***

*Gluten free wafers are available.*

***If you wish to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest.***

#### Post-Communion Prayer

*Presider:* Let us pray.

*People:* **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## Easter Blessing

May God bless you and keep you, shine upon you with grace and mercy, and give you what is needed for each new day; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## Dismissal

*Presider:* Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

*Please join us in Campbell Hall after the service for coffee and fellowship.*

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## **PRAYERS AND PASTORAL CARE:**

For your prayers this week: For all the people of St. Augustine's in-the-Woods and St. Stephen's, for Melissa our Bishop Provisional, for Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury. In our Diocese ~ St. Antony of Egypt - Silverdale, St. Nicholas - Tehuya. In our Diocese abroad ~ Good Sheperd Church, Rafidia, West Bank. Pray for all those who live in Israel, the Gaza strip and the West Bank.

For those people known to us who have asked for our prayers: Eric Reid, Ianna King, Lorainne Bayes, Blythe Hewitt, Kathryn Rickert, Lori Morrison, Greg Murphy, Julie Bird, Joy & Craig Johnson, Nancy Pendergast, Lydia Coats, Colleen Corbett, Kris Jaeger, Debby Denno, Katie Reid, Carole Halsan, Debbie Wright, Chris Lubinski, Margaret Schultz, Elliot Kearns & family, Austin Skubi, Dannette Masterson, Cary Dial, Rick Schutte, Dean Muncey, Carol Ryan, Alicia Rose, Bruce Carpenter, Marlene Angeles, Phyllis Kind, Carolyn Stevens, Bev Babson, Ben Muncey Gordon, Linda & Bill Hicks, Patricia Richardson, Jessica Johnson, John Meyer, Carl Garrod, Anna Kobs & family, Charles, Cari & Owen Camatti, David Roe, Avi Rostov, Lindsey Barker, Michael Cameron, Mary Vaughan, Joseph Cospito, Lana Burton, Bob Barker, Paul Loudon, Gary Smith, Carole Hansen, Ava & Laura, Matthia Langone, Brian Johnson, Victory Schouten, Jason Vaughan, Sharon & Colleen, Marianne Tuttle & Family, Olof Sander, Mary Lidral, Chris Barker, Grant Heiken, Joan Focht, Jean Harriman, Christopher Doss, Karen Everson, Rev. Mary Luck Stanley, Andrea Downs, Ryan Ricenbaw, Arnelle Hall, Don Keenan, Ash Bystrom, Trevor Arnold, Marvin Senff, MK Sandford, Bert Speir, Josh Castro, Bettie Jordon, Wanda Roe, Dann Jergenson, Br David McClellan, Gail & Glen Corell, Jeff Rogers, and the family of Bob Erb.

For all who have died, including those who served in our military.

**Pastoral Care:** Pastoral Care is always available. If you find yourself in the hospital, are home bound, wish to receive communion, or are in need of pastoral assistance, please call or email the parish office, 360-331-4887 [staugs@whidbey.com](mailto:staugs@whidbey.com) or the Rev. Jenny Cleveland at [Revjenny@whidbey.com](mailto:Revjenny@whidbey.com)

# Holy Eucharist Rite II

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Prelude: Andante in F

Elizabeth Stirling

Welcome

The Rev. Jennifer B. Cleveland

*Silence*

*Please stand as able at the ringing of the hand bell.*

**Hymn: 296** (*Blue 1982 Hymnal*) We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

ENGLEBERG

Acclamation

*Presider:* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

Easter Troparion: Christ is risen from the dead

*(sung three times)*

Christ is ris - en from the dead, tramp - ling down death - by death, and on

those in the tombs be - stow - ing life, be - stow - ing life!

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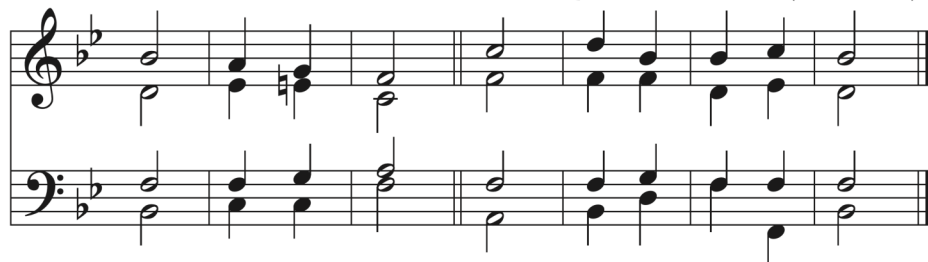
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*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22 (St. Helena Psalter)

**Please join in chanting the Psalm together.**

Queen Lili'uokalani (1838-1917)



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*Please stand as able.*

Hymn: Where charity and love prevail

KINGSFOLD

1. Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail there God is ev - er found;  
2. For - give we now each o - ther's faults as we our faults con - fess;  
3. Love can ex - clude no race or creed if hon - ored be God's Name;  
brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love by love are we thus bound.  
and let us love each o - ther well in Christ - ian ho - li - ness.  
our com - mon life em - bra - ces all whose Ma - ker is the same.  
With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear his char - i - ty we learn;  
Let strife a - mong us be un - known, let all con - ten - tion cease;  
Let us re - call that in our midst dwells God's be - got - ten Son;  
let us with heart and mind and strength now love him in re - turn.  
be his the glo - ry that we seek, be ours his ho - ly peace.  
as mem - bers of his Bo - dy joined we are in him made one.

Words: Latin; tr. J. Clifford Evers (b. 1916)

Music: *Kingsfold*, English folk melody

The Holy Gospel: John 15:1-8

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Prayers of the People *Please stand, sit, or kneel as able.*

In the power of the resurrection, let us pray to the One who creates, redeems, and sustains, saying: God of Life. Hear our prayer.

For the whole bright earth, so lovingly created and so compassionately redeemed, that all people of the world, remembering the Source of Life, may care for the waters of the earth and for all living things. God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all nations and peoples of the earth, to whom God shows no partiality, that all may be transformed by mercy to live together in hope. God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all those in positions of authority, that they may be led to govern with equity and justice. God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For the whole church, that unending witness may be made to our common mission to be the Body of Christ in daily life: We give thanks for the Cathedral Day confirmation of Emily Licastro and Amy Petersen, and the reception of Charlotte Bear. We pray for Alex Bear and all those preparing for baptism. God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who are captive in any way, that all may find strength, hope, and freedom. God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all who suffer in mind, body, or soul, that they may be comforted. God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all who have died and for all who grieve, that in the risen Christ, they may find light perpetual and blessed assurance. We pray especially for Robert Erb. God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

For all gathered here, that we, like those first witnesses to the resurrection, joyfully walk in newness of life. We give thanks for Carole Hansen, Art Taylor, Dann Jergenson, Kristin Schrickler, and Marianne Tuttle, who are celebrating birthdays this week; and for Jillian Hershberger, who is celebrating the anniversary of baptism. God of life. **Hear our prayer.**

Dear friends in Christ, whom else do you wish to pray for this day?

*Please add your prayers, silently or aloud.*

*Presider:* Trusting in your abundant mercy, O God, we commend into your care all for whom we pray, and our own lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Peace

*Presider:* The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

*All greet one another in the name of Christ.*

Announcements *Please be seated.*

The Offertory: Set your minds on things that are above and not on the things that are on earth. For your life is hidden with Christ in God. Alleluia.

**Offertory Hymn: 457** (*Blue 1982 Hymnal*) Thou art the Way, to thee alone

ST. JAMES

*Please stand as able.*

The Great Thanksgiving ~ Eucharistic Prayer I

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is for the Presider and the second for the People. The third and fourth staves are for the Presider and People respectively. The lyrics are: "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."

*Presider:* 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 musical notation is a single melodic line in treble clef, key signature of two sharps (D major), and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "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. Bles - sed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est."

Setting: Queen Lili'uokalani (1838-1917), arr. Henry Lebedinsky

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.

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 Augustine of Canterbury, Mary of Nazareth, 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

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

### The Breaking of the Bread ~ Fraction Anthem

#### Antiphon (congregation)




The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

#### Verses (choir)



1. The bread which we break, Al - le - lu - ia,  
2. One bo - dy are we, Al - le - u - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the Bo - dy of Christ. **to Antiphon**  
for though man - y we share one bread.

Setting: *University Mass* (2016), Henry Lebedinsky (b.1975). Used by permission.

The Communion of the People

*Presider:* The Gifts of God for the people of God. Holy gifts for holy people.

***All are welcome at God's table!***

*There are many ways to participate in communion.*

***You may choose to receive both the bread and the wine.***

***Wine will be offered by sipping from the chalice only.***

*To drink from the Common cup, simply guide the chalice to your lips.*

***You may choose to receive the bread only; to receive bread, simply hold out your hands.***

*Gluten free wafers are available.*

***If you wish to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest.***

**Communion Hymn: 304** (1982 Blue Hymnal) I come with joy to meet my Lord

LAND OF REST

*Please stand as able.*

Post-Communion Prayer

*Presider:* Let us pray.

***All:* God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Easter Blessing

May God bless you and keep you, shine upon you with grace and mercy, and give you what is needed for each new day. And the blessing of the Triune God be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**



1 In the sky, as floods re - ce - ded, cov - enant sign of love made light,  
 2 Je - sus, God's own Love In - car - nate, this com - mand - ment gave a - new,  
 3 As we jour - ney on to - ge - ther, we re - mem - ber those we've lost,  
 4 Still, O God, your arms en - fold us like a mo - ther's, gen - tle, strong,  
 5 Through the years of loss and con - flict, we've been called to turn our hearts,



Pro - mised life for all Cre - a - tion— see the rain - bow shin - ing bright!  
 "As I loved, love one a - no - ther, that my light may shine through you."  
 Those who could not make the voy - age those whose lives have paid the cost.  
 No ex - cep - tions, no ex - clu - sions— in your love we all be - long.  
 and to - geth - er, be Love's bea - con when all oth - er light de - parts.



Like the col - ors of the spec - trum, we to - ge - ther all are bound:  
 In the Church, as in the rain - bow, all our co - lours shine to - day,  
 Stone - wall, La - ra - mie, Or - lan - do... change borne on a sea of tears,  
 Yet, in ev - ery ce - le - bra - tion, sor - row is not far a - way,  
 May we be the light God made us, rays of hope in times of pain;



Ev - ery one is God's be - lo - ved and in each is God's light found.  
 teach - ing all to fol - low Je - sus, and with love, to walk the Way.  
 Bit - ter strug - gle, bit - ter hat - red, so much pain from so much fear.  
 and the fight is far from o - ver for too ma - ny on this day.  
 Peace and jus - tice be our pro - mise, sun - light shin - ing through the rain.

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Music: *Sandy Hook*, Henry Lebedinsky, 2014

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### Dismissal

*Presider:* Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

### Postlude: Fughetta on *Engleberg*

Richard Proulx

*The Postlude is a musical offering after the service has ended. Please know that you are welcome to leave after the Dismissal or stay and enjoy this musical offering.*

# Worship Leaders

April 28, 2024

Preaching: Eclipse Garrett  
Presiding: The Rev. Jennifer B. Cleveland  
Altar Guild Team: Four  
Music: Henry Lebedinsky and Congregation  
Tabulators: Margaret Schultz and Maureen Masterson

## 8:00 service

Greeter/Usher: Ted Brookes  
Vested Chalice Bearer: Celia Metz  
First Lesson and Psalm: Ted Brookes  
Epistle and Prayers of the People: Elaine Ludtke  
Coffee Hour Host: Mare Chapman and Mary Vaughan

## 10:30 service

Greeter: Diane Lantz  
Ushers: Brad Portin and Wanda Roe  
Crucifer: Br David McClellan  
Vested Chalice Bearer: Bev Babson  
Torches: Bryan Avila and Curtis Price  
Lectors: Mark Wicks and Brad Portin  
Eucharistic Minister II: Melisa Doss  
Coffee Hour Hosts: Diane Lantz and volunteers  
Welcome Table: Ron Costeck

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### *St. Augustine's Welcomes Eclipse Garrett*

*Eclipse Garrett is co-president of Drama Club and Thespian Troupe 6307, the vice president of Choir Club, and a graduating senior at Oak Harbor High School. They have performed locally for over a decade now, and they have experience behind the scenes as well. You may recognize Eclipse from productions such as the Whidbey Playhouse's Laramie Project, as well as OHHS's Mamma Mia!. They are a co-director for Troupe 6307's first competition piece, Nellie, which has received national recognition and was selected to perform at International Thespian Festival in June 2024. Active at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Oak Harbor, Eclipse is honored to be speaking to you today and they appreciate your support and attendance at this service. Welcome, Eclipse!*