ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY EPISCOPAL CHURCH



CELEBRATION SERVICE WITH THE HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II The Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024 10:45 A.M.

We welcome you if you are joining us as a guest or member, and invite you to join us as an active participant in the worship of God.

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, following the service, please introduce yourself to our clergy.

Please remember to sign our Guest Book located at the front doors following worship.

For ease of use, this service leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy.

A book to write your prayer requests in is located on the Prayer Desk in the Narthex.

Please pick up an instrument from the Narthex as you enter the Church

Welcome to St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church!

We appreciate you joining us in the worship of the risen Lord during these fifty days of Easter.

The Paschal feast is the grand baptismal celebration of our sharing in Christ's death and resurrection. Easter is our living out of our baptism in mission, living as the joyful body of Christ in the world. Resurrection is not a past event. Easter is now, present tense. Christ is risen. Since Jesus is alive, he is present to the human heart. Easter's challenge is to look at renewal in our midst to look at ourselves, the baptized, all of us marked by the redeeming cross of Christ.

This joy calls us beyond our fears and confusion into the light of day. There is a growing awareness that we are called out of comfort zones to claim and proclaim the power of the resurrection. We are offered a vision of the power of God's abundant, steadfast, and irrepressible love. We see a God who is truly the beginning and the end, calling us to live in love and unity with each other in a world made radically new by the resurrection of Jesus. Death is defeated, we can live lives of new possibilities, fashion a world of peace and hope, and cherish each other as the gift we are.

During these seven weeks of celebrating the reality of the Risen One in our midst, we do so by experiencing in unbridled joy the mystery and wonder of the Word proclaimed and the Sacraments shared.

You will notice the attention given to what we do in our corporate worship during this time of the Church year. It is a time when we "pull out the stops" and "put on our best." The proclamation of the word is done in the power of the Spirit. Our music has an uplifting tone that seeks to send the soul soaring. And, the church is infused with the fragrance of flowers, vivid colors, and regal splendor.

If this is your first time in the Episcopal Church, everything you need to follow worship is in this Worship Guide. If you have <u>any</u> questions please do not hesitate to ask anyone around you for help.

I hope to meet you before or after worship but just in case I do not, please fill out the attendance sheet in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate so we can connect with you.

Again, welcome to you and your family.

Blessings, Fr. Joseph C. Alsay + Rector

+ THE GATHERING RITE +

Voluntary: "Festival Trumpet"

Welcome & Announcements

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We are an enthusiastically welcoming and inviting Christian community committed to the unity of all people with God through Christ.

DECLARACIÓN DE NUESTRA MISIÓN

Somos una comunidad Cristiana que da la bienvenida con entusiasmo y acogedor, comprometida con la unidad de toda la gente con Dios a a través de Cristo.

Sacred Silence

At this time you are invited to reflect, meditate, pray or engage in another silent activity.

At the tolling of the bell, please stand, face the entrance and play your instruments until the gong sounds.

Opening Acclamation

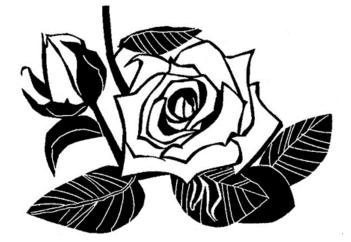
Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Collect for Purity

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.**

During the singing of the Gathering Song, the congregation is sprinkled with flowers as a sign and symbol of forgiveness, renewal and resurrection.



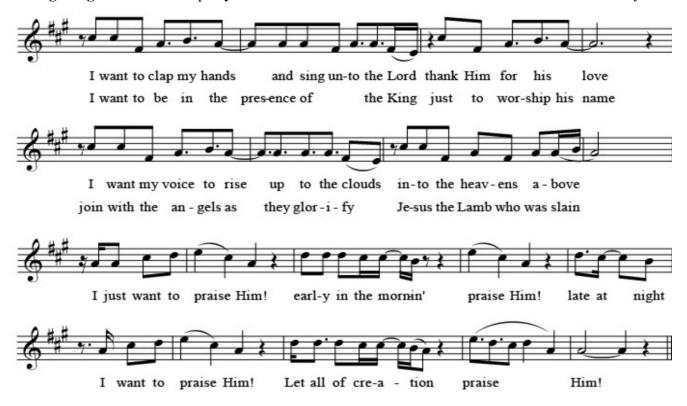
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Gathering Song: "God is Love"



Gathering Song: "I Want to Clap My Hands"



Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

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.**

+ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD +

Please be seated. Children's Moment

After the Children's Moment, the children in the third grade and under are invited to follow the "Cross" and attend Children's Chapel. They will return during the Peace.

Children's Sending Prayer

O loving God, we release our children to a time of Children's Chapel as they explore their faith through sharing of Bible stories. Be with them in the sacred time of wonder and prayer. May they sense both your constant presence and your love. In Jesus' holy name we pray. Amen.

The Lesson: 1 John 4:7-21

Lector A Reading from the First Letter of John.

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.

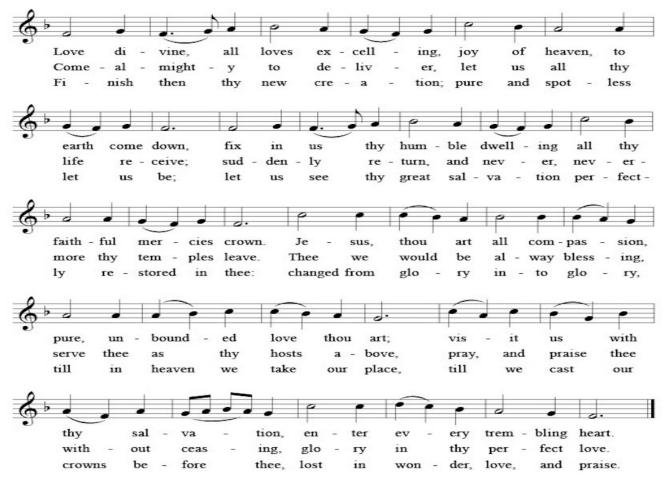
God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, 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.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation: "Love Divine "

Text: Charles Wesley Tune: Hyfrydol



Please remain standing. **Holy Gospel:** John 15:1-8

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to JohnPeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

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."

DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

During the singing of the Gospel Acclamation, we will follow the ancient Jewish tradition. The Word will be processed throughout the congregation. Everyone is invited to honor the Word with either a kiss, touch, or a bow.

Gospel Response: "Zimbabwe Alleluia"

D. Maraire, arr. P. Matsikenyiri



Please be seated. Sermon

The Reverend Joseph C. Alsay

Please stand at the sound of the bell. **Creed:** "The Apostles' Creed"

Timothy Dudley-Smith/Hymn to Joy



Prayers of the People: Form IV

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Leader 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.



Leader 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.

Response

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

Response

Leader 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.

Response

Leader 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.

Response

Leader 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.

Response

Presider Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
People Amen.

Peace

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

+ THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARISTIC MEAL +

Please be seated. Offertory Sentence

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. - Ephesians 5:2

During the "Offering in Song," please sign the Canterbury Connection Cards in the service bulletin and kindly drop it in the wicker basket with your offering. To submit your offerings electronically, text the amount you would like to give to 405-645-6608 or go to "bit.ly/GiveSAC" in your browser and follow the instructions. Thank You.

Offering in Song: "Abide"

Aaron Williams/Aaron Keyes/ Jake Fauber



The congregation stands as the gifts are brought forward.

I'm the wel - come ble. gon-na sit at ta I'm the wel - come ta - ble one o' these days gon-na sit at I'm gon-na sit at the wel - come ta ble. Gon-na ble sit at the wel - come ta one o' these days.

Presentation Song: "I'm Gonna' Sit At the Welcome Table"

Trad. American -African American folk song

I'm gonna feast on milk and honey, I'm gonna feast on milk and honey one o' these days. I'm gonna feast on milk and honey. Gonna feast on milk and honey one o' these days

All God's children gonna sit together, All God's children gonna sit together one o' these days. All God's children gonna sit together. All o' God's children gonna sit together one o' these days

Please remain standing. The Great Thanksgiving

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord
Presider	Let us give thanks to the our Lord God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise

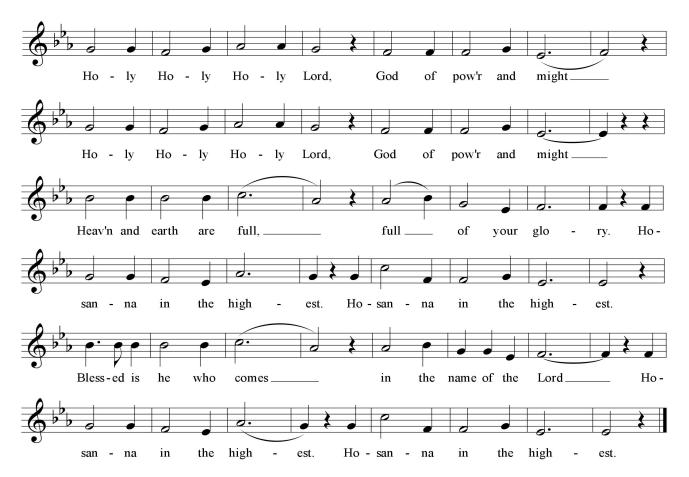
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

Schubert





Please stand or kneel. Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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 for ever. **AMEN**.

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

The Lord's Prayer

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. Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

Breaking of the Bread

PresiderAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.PresiderThe 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.

Communion Distribution

All Baptized are invited to receive the Holy Meal at the Lord's Table. For Communion, come forward as the ushers release you from your seat. If you wish to receive the bread dipped in wine, please receive a napkin from an usher. The bread will be dipped in the wine for you by one of the clergy, then placed on the napkin. After consuming the bread, please place the napkin in one of the wicker receptacles. If you wish to drink from the cup, please proceed to one of the two chalice bearers to the far ends. Continue down the outside aisle to return to your seat. Please note that gluten-free bread is available for those who request it. Kindly let the usher know if you need the clergy to bring the bread to you. If you wish to only receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.

Prayer Corner

After receiving Communion, please feel free to go to one of the two "Prayer Corners" for a time of personal prayer and reflection.

Communion Meditation: "Bless the Lord, O My Soul" **Post Communion Hymn:** "Be Thou My Vision"

Text: Irish, ca. 700 Tune: Slane Irish ballad melody



+ THE SENDING RITE +

Post-Communion Prayer Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Presider Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

Benediction

Presider People	May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. Amen.
Presider People	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. Amen.
Presider People	May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Re- deemer, bring you eternal inheritance. Amen.
Presider People	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	

Deacon	Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People	Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Voluntary: "Trompette Jubilante"

Penfield

You are cordially invited to the Commons Area for refreshments following the service, so that we may get to know you.

We invite those who are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries, or have other special needs, to gather in the side chapel after the service where prayers and blessings will be given.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessing

DOK Let us pray.

People O God, our days are in your hand: Look with favor we pray, on those who begin another year. Grant that your wisdom, grace, love, and strength may continue to be with them all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

+ PRAYER LIST +

For those with medical issues and other needs or concerns: Melanie Cannon, Angelique Chamberlain, Reggie Christian, Marilyn, Karen West, Iranice Tavares, Anil B., MaryAnn Rule, Courtney McNatty, Mark Ackerman, WB, Lois Muran, The Goforth Family, Fred Winters, Marsha Cayton, Mark, Coby Martinez, Antonia Dueñaz, Felix Beltran, Stephanie Inselman, The Womack Family, Glenn Boyer, Richard Stuhr, Robby Housh, Les Midyette, Karen West, Ann Merritt, Shiloh Kile & Will Having, Edward, Seth, Debra Krausse, Kate, Vicky Saenz, Ted Osumi, Nahomi Gudino, Scott Mills, Lee Johnson, Kelly St. Pierre, Vicky Pando, Pamela, Shon Lane, Christie & family, Saenz family, Sherry Ziska, Mary Andrews, Charlotte Cascio, Heather Ingersoll.

For those in the military: Rick Narvaiz, Colby Gibson, J.R. Singleton, Bryce Singleton, Parker Singleton, Joshua Westmoreland, Megan Weimer, Ryan Natale, Rylee Natale, Brody Campbell, Justin Jones, Christopher Rosentreter, Sam Carter, Caleb Mitchell, Aaron Long, Terry Caraway, Reed Hall, Zach Renfroe, Rev. Octavia Lindsey, McKenna McCullough, Noel Puryear, Simon Liszeski, Keaton Latner, Kaleigh Hensch, Kayleigh Henson, Freddie Kegler, Jay Jordan, William VanSant, Nick Coleman, Rebecka Blaire, Stephen Liszeski, Ted Liszeski, Kyle Belt, Andrew Stiendl, James Roberts, John Andrews, Thomas Andrews, Chase Biel Weishaupt, Perry Harding, Nate Phillips, Ashley Adkins, Matt Lake, Derek Wolf, Jefferson C, our troops at home and abroad and their families.

Birthdays this week: *Amethyst Beck, Edith Kenney, Marian Moon, Marian Everson, Mackenzie Flick, Sarah Kelley, Kathy Matthews, Ashley Parrish, Teri Branson, Jerry Crytzer.*

Anniversaries this week: Agnes Opara and Zachary Jones, Claudia and Victor Rios Estrada.



+ MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY +

Today, April 28, 2024, at 10:45 AM - The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Presider: The Reverend Dr. James Detrich Preacher & Assisting Priest: The Reverend Joseph Alsay Deacon: The Reverend Mary Ann Coffman Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Gil Haas, Jeannie Haas & Claudia Rios- Estrada Lector: Bob Vanek Acolytes: Eric Rios-Estrada, Sergio Martinez, Celeste Gudino-Saenz Staff Musicians: Scott Chard, Guy Nembhard & Sarah Hunsucker Organist: Patrick Hays Trumpet: Randy Polk Oblation Bearers: Aurora Bocanegra & Jose Hinojosa Greeters: Jim Stacy & Janet Mills Altar Guild: Claudia Rios-Estrada & Marsha Tygret Camera Crew: Bri McGhee Sound: Eric Brinley

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+ THIS IS OUR STORY +

 \tilde{V} and \tilde{R} are the symbols for "versiculum" (main composition) and "responsum" (refrain), and they are used in psalms, canticles (an example is found on p 97 of the *Book of Common Prayer*), and responsorial prayers. A versicle is the first half of a preces, said or sung by an officiant or cantor and answered with a said or sung response by the congregation or choir. One of the most familiar examples of this is, "Alleluia, Christ is risen." answered by "The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia," Their are other examples of this format scattered throughout our services. According to our *Book of Common Prayer*, psalms can by said or chanted in several formats. Direct recitation is the reading of a whole psalm in unison. Antiphonal recitation is the verse-by-verse alternation between groups, between the minister and the congregation, between the choir and the congregation, or between the two sides of the congregation concluding with the Gloria Patri. Responsorial recitation is chosen by some churches. In this format a refrain is first sung by a cantor and repeated by the congregation. The cantor then sings several verses from the psalm interspersed by a reprise of the refrain by the congregation.

If you have a liturgical question or an inquiry about anything that transpires during or around our worship service, please forward the question you would like researched to: gghaas@aol.com. Please note whether we can credit you as the source of the question.

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> > STAFF

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OFFICE HOURS

To offer our staff a Sabbath, the St. Augustine business offices are closed on Mondays, with staff available remotely for urgent matters. Ministry Leaders are welcome to access the building independently with their key, as needed.

Father Joseph Alsay, RectorTuesday -Thursday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PMFather James Detrich, Part-Time Assisting PriestWednesday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PMColeen Christian, Admin AssistantTuesday -Friday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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