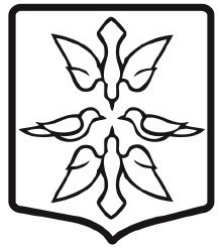


# ALL SOULS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

2300 CATHEDRAL AVE—WASHINGTON, D.C.

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## THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 3<sup>RD</sup> AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

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*The mission of All Souls Church is to be a Christ-centered sanctuary where a diverse and inclusive community worships and serves. We live this mission through faithful celebration of the Eucharist, Christian education, and loving nurture of both members and neighbors.*

**Welcome to our Visitors!**

We are thankful for your presence with us today and we invite you to join us as we worship God. The liturgy comes from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the music from the blue Hymnal 1982 and the beige African American Heritage Hymnal (AAHH). The “S” music is found in the service section in the front of the Blue Hymnal. All books are found in the pew racks. Where the rubrics invite the people to stand or kneel, an individual may remain seated.

If you are a visitor, please fill out a visitor card and give to an usher or Mother Sara.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please stand.*

VOLUNTARY

Contemplation

Alec Rowley (1892-1958)

HYMN AAHH 421 (*Beige Hymnal*) Come, Ye Disconsolate  
*Sung by all.*

*Consolator*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* 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.***

*Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father,  
Amen.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* 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 people sit.*

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 7:55-60

FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named

Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16

*In te, Domine, speravi*

James Turle

*Chanted by the choir*

(1802-1882)

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame; \*  
deliver me in your righteousness.
- 2 Incline your ear to me; \*  
make haste to deliver me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, \*  
for you are my tower of strength.
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me,  
O LORD, O God of truth.
- 15 My times are in your hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
and in your loving-kindness save me.

THE EPISTLE

1 Peter 2:2-10

LIKE NEWBORN INFANTS, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner”, and “A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord  
*People*            *Thanks be to God.*

*The people stand.*

SEQUENCE HYMN 455 (*Blue Hymnal*)  
*Sung by all.*

O Love of God

*Dunedin*

THE GOSPEL

John 14:1-14

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

JESUS SAID, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Sara E. Palmer, Rector

*A brief time of silent reflection is kept after the sermon.*

*The people stand.*

THE NICENE CREED

*We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Leader* Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

*People* ***That we all may be one.***

*Leader* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

*People* ***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

*Leader* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

*People* ***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

*Leader* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

*People* ***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

*Leader* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

*People* ***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

*Leader* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

*People* ***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

*Leader* Give to the departed eternal rest.

*People* ***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

*Leader* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*People* ***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

*Leader* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

*Celebrant* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

*The people kneel*

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

***Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,***

*have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on 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

*If you have had a birthday or any anniversary this past week,  
please come forward for Mother Sara to offer a special prayer for you.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### THE OFFERTORY

*The Celebrant gives an offertory sentence.*

*The offering plate will be passed by the ushers. You may also donate by texting ALLSOULS to 73256, or by scanning the QR codes.*

*Please consider committing time and talent during our Tending our Soil pledge drive running through May 10.*



#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

John Ferguson

*Sung by the choir.*

(1941-2025)

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ our head and cornerstone,  
chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the church in one,  
Holy Zion's help forever, and our confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call You, come, O Lord of Hosts, and stay;  
Come with all your lovingkindness, hear Your people as they pray;  
and your fullest benediction shed within these walls today.

Grant, we pray, to all your faithful all the gifts they ask to gain,  
what they gain from You, forever with the blessed to retain,  
and hereafter in Your glory evermore with You to reign.

Praise and honor to the Father, praise and honor to the Son,  
praise and honor to the Spirit, ever Three, and ever One,  
one in might, and one in glory, while unending ages run.

(tr. J. M. Neale, 1818-66, alt.)

*The people stand.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*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 our Lord God.

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

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

SANCTUS S 128 (*Blue Hymnal*)

*William Mathias (1934-1992)*

*Sung by all.*

***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.***

*The people kneel.*

*Celebrant* WE GIVE THANKS TO YOU, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. 🕯

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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

*Celebrant*    And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

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

*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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;*

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

FRACTION ANTHEM S 155 (*Blue Hymnal*)

Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

*Sung by all*

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
therefore let us keep the feast.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Celebrant THE GIFTS OF GOD for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. Everybody, everybody, everybody is welcome at the table of the Lord!*

*The people may sit or remain kneeling.*

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. To receive the chalice, gently guide the base of the chalice with your hand to allow the rim to reach your lips. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the bread) into the chalice. Receiving in one kind (bread alone) is full communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your arms across your chest. Those who wish to have Holy Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.*

HYMN 487 (*Blue Hymnal*)

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life

*The Call*

*Sung by all.*

COMMUNION MOTET

*Sung by choir*

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest is the man that trusteth in him.

*Psalm 34, v.8*

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant Let us pray.*

*All 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.*

## BLESSING

*Celebrant*

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.*

And friends, life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

HYMN 525 (*Blue Hymnal*)  
*Sung by all.*

The Church's one foundation

*Aurelia*

## DISMISSAL

*Celebrant*

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

*People*

*Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

## VOLUNTARY

Postlude in C

Henry Smart (1813-1879)



*Please join us in the Undercroft after service for Coffee Hour*

*Thank you for joining us today at All Souls.*

*We are grateful to have you with us and invite you to return and worship with us again.*



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