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We are a community of faith striving to love God fully and our neighbors as ourselves.

The Sixth Sunday of Easter (Rogation Sunday)
Mother's Day
May 10, 2026
10:30 A.M. Morning Prayer, Rite II

The Opening Voluntary	<i>Prelude in A Flat</i>	Johann Jakob Froberger
Introit	<i>"Give Alms of Thy Goods"</i>	Christopher Tye
Processional Hymn	<i>"O Jesus, crowned with all renown"</i>	Hymn 292

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

Christ has entered, not into a sanctuary made with hands, a copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Hebrews 9:24

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People together:

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.

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.
Amen.

Invitatory and Psalter *All stand*

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him.
Alleluia.

Pascha Nostrum

CHRIST our Passover is sacri|ficed for us:

* therefore | let us keep the feast,

2 Not with old leaven,

neither with the leaven of | malice . and wickedness;

* but with the unleavened bread of sin|cerity and truth.

CHRIST being raised from the dead | dieth . no more;

* death hath no more do|minion over him.

4 For in that he died, he died unto | sin once:

* but in that he liveth, he | liveth unto God.

5 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead in|deed . unto . sin,

* but alive unto God through | Jesus Christ our Lord.

CHRIST is risen | from the dead,

* and become the | firstfruits . of | them that slept.

7 For since by | man came death,

* by man came also the resur|rection of the dead.

8 For as in Adam | all die,

* even so in Christ shall | all be made alive.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son,

* and | to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and | ever shall be,

* world without | end. Amen.

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J. Goss



Psalm 66:7-18 *Jubilate Deo* spoken together

7 Bless our God, you peoples; *

make the voice of his praise to be heard;

8 Who holds our souls in life, *

and will not allow our feet to slip.

9 For you, O God, have proved us; *

you have tried us just as silver is tried.

10 You brought us into the snare; *

you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

11 You let enemies ride over our heads;

we went through fire and water; *

but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will pay you my vows, *
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
with the smoke of rams; *
I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart, *
the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
nor withheld his love from me.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (17:22-31)

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

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

Reader A reading from the First Book of Peter (3:13-22)

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Song of Simeon

Lord God, you now have set your servant free

Hymn 499

Luke 2:29-32

A Reading from the Gospel according to John (14:15-21)

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you." "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Officiant The Word of the Lord

People *Thanks be to God.*

Jay Dickens

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together, all standing

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

*I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
our Lord.*

*He was conceived by the power of
the Holy Spirit*

*and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.*

*He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of
the Father.
He will come again to judge the living
and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,*

*the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

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

Officiant and People

*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.*

Suffrage A

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. *And grant us your salvation.*
V. Clothe your ministers with
righteousness;
R. *Let your people sing with joy.*
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. *For only in you can we live in
safety.*
V. Lord, keep this nation under your
care;
R. *And guide us in the way of justice
and truth.*

V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. *Your saving health among all
nations.*
V. *Let not the needy, O Lord, be
forgotten;*
R. *Nor the hope of the poor be taken
away.*
V. *Create in us clean hearts, O God;*
R. *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

The Collect of the Day

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Collect for Sunday

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord; Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for the Renewal of Life

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

Free Intercession

Pray especially for *Sue, Julia, Jennifer, Mallory, Jay J., David C., Ashley F., Michael, Ann,* and Jim A.

Please sit

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

Officiant and People

All things come from you, O Lord, and of your own have we given you. Amen.

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you
humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-
kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation,
preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable
love
in the redemption of the world by our
Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope

of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an
awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may
show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our
days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages.
Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Recessional Hymn

"All things bright and beautiful"

Hymn 405

Dismissal

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen. Ephesians 3:20,21*

The Closing Voluntary

Toccata in C

Johann Pachelbel

Please inform the Church office at office@christchurchmvl.org if anyone needs to be added or removed from the prayer list.

*The beauty of the Altar Flowers are Given to the Glory of God
and in Loving Memory of
John C. and Kathryn R. Wooldridge
and in thanksgiving for all mothers on this Mother's Day
By the Family*

Bible Studies

Both the Sunday morning and Monday evening Bible studies are on Summer Break and will resume after Labor Day.

Women's Club Meeting

You are invited to join us in the Parish House on **Tuesday, May 12, at 5:30** for the monthly Women's Club meeting. Beverages and paper products will be provided. Please sign up on our website under 'volunteers'. **We are looking forward to our evening of fellowship!**

Public Theology

Public Theology meets on **May 13** at the Ground Floor (1 E Church St); food and drinks (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) will be available from the usual menu. We begin gathering at 6:00 pm, with the program going from 7:00 to 8:00.

Wednesday Eucharist

In May, we will celebrate the Noon Wednesday Eucharist on **May 20 and 27, but not on May 13.**

New Bishop Consecration

Registration for the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Karin MacPhail as the Seventh Bishop of the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia at St. John's Roanoke on **June 13**, is now open, via the [Diocesan website](#) or [Facebook page](#). Registration will close once the total capacity of St. John's has been reached.

Save the Date - Flag Day Summer Outing

On Sunday, June 14, please join us for an evening of croquet, dinner, and fellowship in Marty Gardner's woods; we'll begin gathering at 4:30 pm and eat around 5:30. Reservations are not required, but a sign-up will be posted in May.

Altar Guild Open Date - May 31

We have **May 31 (The First Sunday after the Pentecost: Trinity Sunday)** open date for altar flowers if anyone wants to do a memorial in loving memory of... or in thanksgiving for... someone. It is available on a first come, first served basis. Please note that funerals, weddings, and baptisms take precedence over scheduled memorials. Let the Church office know if you are interested in this date. **Let us know if you want to change a previous Narthex memorial to this Altar flower date.**

Grace Network

Our Grace Network Assignments for **May - June: Applesauce (24-32 oz) OR six packs of individuals. For May: bath soap, toilet paper, toothpaste, toothbrush (individually wrapped), and hygiene items.** As a Church family, we have committed to helping Grace Network by stocking their food pantry for those in need. Please remember to pick up our assigned item the next time you visit the grocery store. **You can bring your items to the Church office OR put them in the little red wagon in the Narthex.**

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE!

Officiant: Jay Dickens

Reader: Bob Bushnell

Organist/Choirmaster: Lynn Gardner

Christ Church Choir: St. Christopher's Choir

Ushers: Pete Scouras, Bob Weatherall

Camera Operator: Rives Coleman

Counters: Steve Keyser, Jay Dickens

Altar Guild Team #4 - Becky Farrar, Susan Smith, Natalie Coleman,
Ashley Ullstein, Dawn Stone, Kyle Trent

Nursery Attendant: Caroline Davis

2026 Christ Church Vestry

Year 3: Bob Bushnell, Rives Coleman; Senior Warden, LaRue Powers,
Bob Weatherall, Junior Warden

Year 2: Susan Critz, Butch Hamlet; Treasurer, Michael Hodges; Secretary, Steve Keyser

Year 1: Kelly Cain, Jay Dickens, Linda O'Dell, Ron Probst