Holy Eucharist The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023–10:00 a.m.



Saint Luke's Episcopal Church Los Gatos, California

The Holy Eucharist

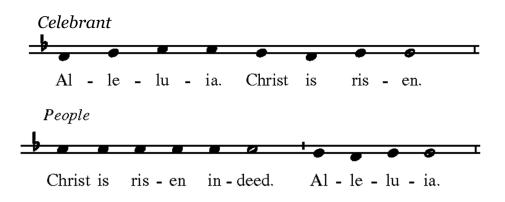
Prelude

Morning Has Broken

arr. Ron Boud



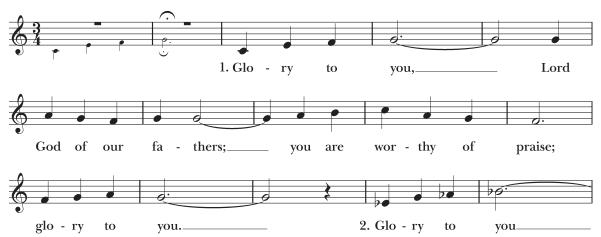
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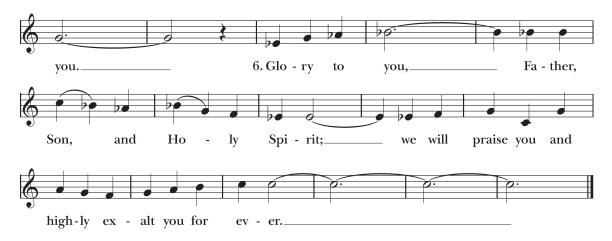
The Collect for Purity

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**.

Gloria S 236







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The Collect of the Day

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

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 Liturgy of the Word

The First Lesson

Acts 17:22-31

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Psalm 66:7-18

- 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.
- You let enemies ride over our heads;we went through fire and water; *but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 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.
- 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;
- 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.

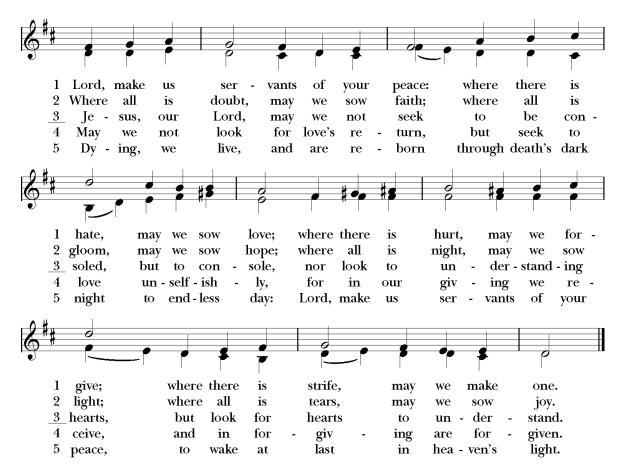
The Second Lesson

1 Peter 3:13-22

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn 593

"Lord make us servants of your peace"



The Holy Gospel

Clergy	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
People	according to John. Glory to you, Lord Christ.
	John 14:15–21
Clergy	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Ricardo Avila

The Nicene Creed

Said by all

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory, to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

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

Prayers of the People

Form VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

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

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

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Lucinda, our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers; **For all who serve God in God's Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, hear us, Lord; **For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, and we will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever. We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; **Who put their trust in you.**

Silence. The People may add their own petitions. The Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Refrain:

All things bright and beautiful All creatures great and small All things wise and wonderful 'Twas God that made them all

Each little flower that opens Each little bird that sings He made their glowing colors And made their tiny wings

Refrain

The purple headed mountains The rivers running by The sunset and the morning That brightens up the sky "All Things Bright and Beautiful" John Rutter

Refrain

The cold wind in the winter The pleasant summer sun The ripe fruits in the garden He made them every one

Refrain

He gave us eyes to see them And lips that we might tell How great is the Almighty Who has made all things well

Refrain

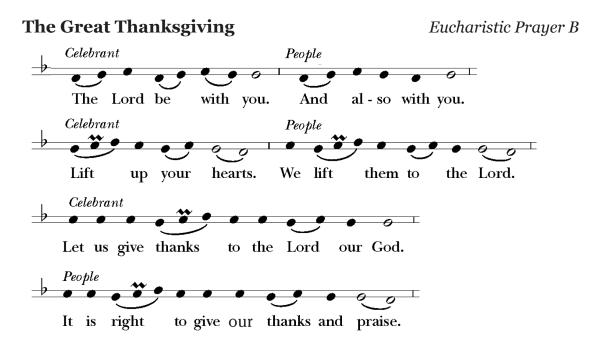
Prayers Over the Gifts

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty. For everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, **and of your own have we given you. Amen.**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Heaven. **Blessed be God for ever.**

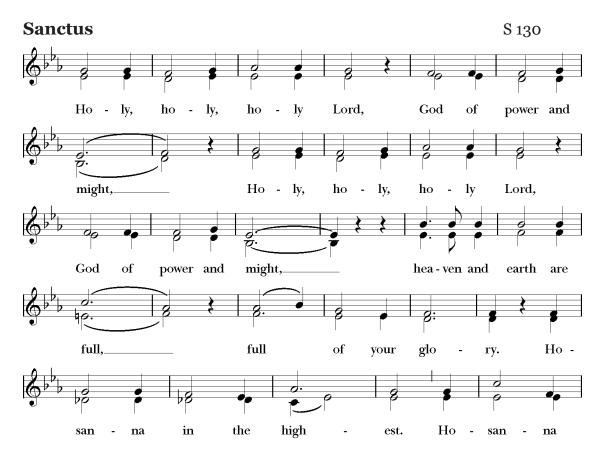
Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation; through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the Cup of Salvation. **Blessed be God for ever.**

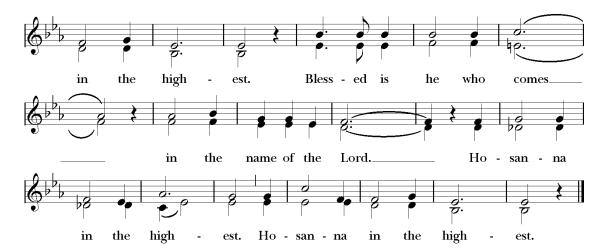
Pray, friends, that this our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty. **May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands, to the praise and glory of God's Name, both to our benefit and that of all God's Holy Church. Amen.**



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:





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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,

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

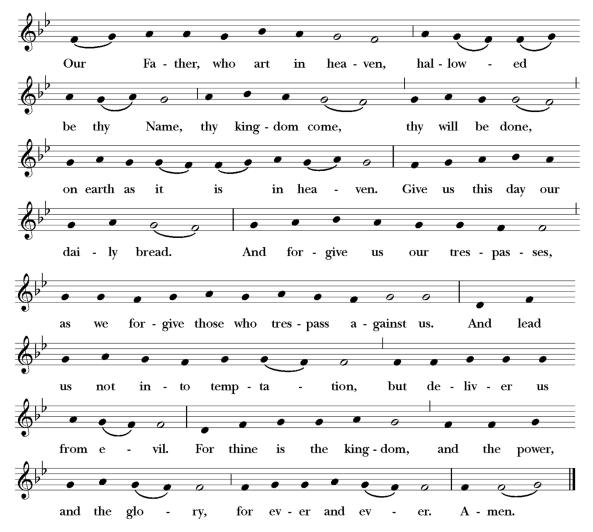
And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

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 the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Paul, blessed Luke, and 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**.

The Lord's Prayer

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



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The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant	Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People	Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Anthem

If ye love me, keep my commandments.

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Said by 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.

The Easter Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn 400



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Dismissal

The clergy dismisses the People and they respond **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude

Rondeau

Mouret



FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR

Flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God by Ann Whyte in celebration of the birthday of her granddaughter Kavya (age 16).



Servers-May 14, 2023

The Rev. Ricardo Avila
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Ron Victor & Barbara Stafford
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St. Luke's Choir
Lewis Pollard
Ann Whyte & Elaine Smith

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