

Christ Church of Bethany and Woodbridge

Seventh Sunday of Easter (5/12/2024)

Prelude: *On This Day, O Beautiful Mother* Trad.

Announcements

Processional Hymn 214 *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise*

The Word of God, as beginning on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

The Gloria (S-280)

The Collect

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Book of Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Psalm 1

**1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!**

**2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.**

**3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.**

**4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

**5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.**

**6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

A Reading from 1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Gradual Hymn 460 *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

At the introduction of the Gospel, the congregation responds, “Glory to you, Lord Christ”

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to St. John 17:6-19

Jesus prayed for his disciples, “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

At the conclusion, the congregation responds, “Praise to you, Lord Christ”

The Sermon

Choir Anthem: *Litany of Mary* Alonso

Nicene Creed, page 358

Prayers of the People, Form VI (BCP page 392)

The congregation may add their own thanksgivings and petitions, either silently or aloud.

The Lay Minister may remember the altar flower dedications and the prayers for those members of our community and extended community as printed at the bottom of the order of service.

*The Celebrant, if applicable: We especially remember God's servant(s) _____. Give to the departed eternal rest. **Let light perpetual shine upon them.** May [his/her/their] soul(s) and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, **rest in peace.** Amen.*

The Peace

The Holy Communion

(The choice of the Eucharistic Prayer is at the discretion of the Celebrant)

Offertory Hymn 328 *Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord*

Doxology

The Sanctus

The Breaking of the Bread

Music During the Distribution: *Blessed Mary Suite* Tate

The Post-Communion Prayer, page 365

Recessional Hymn 494 *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

Postlude: *Fanfare and Statement on "Llanfair"* Broughton

Participants:

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Zeb Treolar

Musician and Choir Director: Michelle Fraser

Lay Minister: Tom Sansone

Lector: Bob Skolozdra

Altar Guild: Shirley Skolozdra

Video: Jessica Skolozdra

Counters: Laurie Marcho and Pam Dann

Ecclesia Canem: Brother Jesse, CGC

Stewards of the Sacred Space: Ruth Beardsley and Michelle Fraser

Flower dedication:

The altar flowers are given by Carol Paugus in memory of parents Rennock & Evelyn Muenchow

In our Petitions and Thanksgivings:

Jayne Johnson, Madeline Slicer, Doris Beswick, Sandy, Cate Horton, Patricia, Paul, Frankie Sylvester, Pat Ryan, Rosalie Molnar, Steve, Nancy, Margaret Clements, Jeff Boyd, Greg Banks, John Matheson, Owen Horvath, Sharon Patrick, Josephine, William, Kerri Guida, Joan, MaryBeth Vientos, Charlie