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The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 14, 2023
8:00 AM

The Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray, Bishop of Easton
The Very Rev. Mark Delcuze, Rector
Dr. Gary Van Essen, Minister of Music
Jane Ford, Family Ministry Coordinator
Brenda Faulkner, Parish Administrator

Helpful Guidance

Members: Please wear your name tag located on the magnetic board in the narthex.

Parish Office Information: The regular hours for the parish office are 9 am-3pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please see the calendar for updates and closings.

Receiving Communion: All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are invited to receive communion, including children. After receiving the wafer, you may eat it and drink a sip of wine from the chalice, or, gently touch your wafer to the wine . If you prefer not to receive, cross your arms over your chest and we will offer a blessing. For those who have difficulty with the steps, please approach the altar area by the side aisles.

Please pray for: Susan Fralic, Anneliesse Jones, Sharon McCain, Sheila Savage, Bill Kennedy, Caden Link, Martha Conrad, Frank Soltner, Todd & Cathie, Charlie Thomas, Larry Wilkins, Dian, Liam, Barbara Wright, Bates Family, Chris Troxwell, Sofie Amador, Gillian Ferguson, Theresa & Alain K., Richard Thomas, Bert Drohter, Danielle Newcomer, Adam Newcomer, Jimmy Schwartzbeck, Bobbie Kaye Ewing, Barbara South (RIP)-David South & Family, Rev. Emily Richards, Catherine S. Hirsch (RIP)-Thom Hirsch & Family, Ted Kyle, Edie Kyle, Elizabeth Radley-Taylor, Joanne Buck, Domonic, Sandra, Margie, Bob Moore III, Tom Christensen, Donna Roland (RIP)-Shelia Willis & Family, Diana Lawson, Phil Fisher, Carole Katrinic, Cathy Frey, Erika Roof (RIP)-Roof Family, Susan Faucoglio, Don Wolkoff, Goldey Vansant, Don Wolkoff, Austin Schoek (RIP)-Cindy Schoek & Family, Dottie Hayard

Prayer Requests can be sent to prayer@ccpki.org

Serving 8am

Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Lipsner

Lectors: Lois Vanderbok, Liza Hamill

Ushers: Maria Jones, Lois Vanderbok

Altar Guild: DeeDee & Kevin McCracken, Carole Tulip

Counters: Dottie Wilson, Bob Thompson

The Holy Eucharist: Rite One

The Word of God

Welcome		The Very Rev. Mark S. Delcuze
Prelude	“Meditation”	Larson
+Processional Hymn	Alleluia, alleluia!	Hymnal #191
	vss. 1,4, 5	
+Opening Sentences		BCP pg 323
*The Summary of the Law		BCP pg 324
*The Collect of the Day		Bulletin
The First Lesson and Psalm		Bulletin
The Epistle		Bulletin
+The Gospel		Bulletin
The Homily		The Very Rev. Mark S. Delcuze
+The Nicene Creed		BCP pg 326
*The Prayers of the People		BCP pg 328
*Confession		BCP pg 331
*Absolution		BCP pg 332
+The Peace		

The Holy Communion

The Offertory		
+The Great Thanksgiving	Eucharistic Prayer II	BCP pg 340
*The Lord’s Prayer		BCP pg 336
*Breaking of the Bread		BCP pg 337
Communion		
*Post-Communion Prayer		BCP pg 339
*Blessing		
Announcements		
+Recessional Hymn	Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness	Hymnal #492
	vs. 1, 2, 4	
+Dismissal		
+Postlude	“Declaration”	Groden

+The Collect of the Day

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

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 First Lesson

Acts 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

Read responsively by verse.

- 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.**

The Epistle

1 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 Holy Gospel

John 14:15-21

Please stand and face the Celebrant

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People Glory to you Lord Christ

Jesus said to his disciples, "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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

 *Mother's Day*

Spring Plant Sale Returns!

Save the Dates

Saturday & Sunday,

May 13th & 14th

8:00 am to 1:00 pm

Annuals

& Hanging Baskets

& Herbs

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- Outreach
- Grounds
- Study

Christ Church Parish's ministries are thriving and we would like to invite you to see how much they shine! Come and see what we're doing, and what you can do to help!

WHERE DO YOU FIT?



Sunday, May 21st