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Prayers of the People Form IV BCP, p. 388

The Celebrant: Adds a Collect.

The Peace & Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory I am the Vine by Mark Patterson
Presentation The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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The Lord's Prayer BCP, p. 364

Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.
Then the Choir and People sing

Celebrant: Alleluia Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Communion Hymn I know that My Redeemer Liveth
From the "The Messiah" by Handel
Sung by Ruby Stillion

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The Blessing by the Celebrant

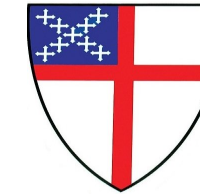
Closing Hymn God is Love, let heaven adore him
The Hymnal 1982 #379

Dismissal

The Celebrant Dismisses the People
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

Postlude Toccata in E Minor Johann Pachelbel

PARISH CALENDAR MAY 2024			
Tuesday	April 30	10:30 6:00	Rector's Morning Bible Study -Parish Hall & Zoom Rector's Evening Bible Study – Parish Hall & Zoom
Wednesday	May 01	11:00	Cursillo Reunion Group – Fellowship Room
Sunday	May 05	9:30 10:40 11:30	Youth Sunday Holy Eucharist – Nave with Nursery & Children's Chapel Adult Christian Education Holy Eucharist
Wednesday	May 08	11:00	Cursillo Reunion Group – Fellowship Room
Sunday	May 12	9:30 10:40 11:30	Mother's Day Holy Eucharist – Nave with Nursery & Children's Chapel Adult Christian Education Holy Eucharist
Tuesday	May 14	10:30 6:00	Rector's Morning Bible Study -Parish Hall & Zoom Rector's Evening Bible Study – Parish Hall & Zoom
Wednesday	May 15	11:00	Cursillo Reunion Group – Fellowship Room
Sunday	May 19	9:30 10:40 11:30	Pentecost Sunday Holy Eucharist – Nave with Nursery & Children's Chapel Adult Christian Education Holy Eucharist
Monday	May 20	6:00	Vestry Meeting
Wednesday	May 22	11:00	Cursillo Reunion Group
Sunday	May 26	9:30 10:40 11:30	Holy Eucharist – Nave with Nursery & Children's Chapel Adult Christian Education Holy Eucharist
Wednesday	May 22	11:00	Cursillo Reunion Group



St. Simon's on the Sound
Episcopal Church

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

The Fifth Sunday of Easter * April 28, 2024 * 9:30 AM

Clergy: The Rt. Reverend J. Russell Kendrick, Bishop
The Reverend J. David Knight, Celebrant

Interim Choir Director Peggy Rice
Organist Lynda Cast

Book of Common Prayer = BCP Red The Hymnal 1982 = Blue
Wonder Love and Praise = WLP Green Alleluia III = Yellow



Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower."

Prelude Oh Sons and Daughters of Our King
Francois Dandrieu

Opening Hymn Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

THE WORD OF GOD

The Hymnal 1982 #182

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect of Purity

All: 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.**

The Gloria

The Hymnal 1982 S~280

**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 Fifth Sunday of Easter BCP, p. 225

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.**

A Reading from Acts

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.
In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Acts 8:26-40

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

Psalm 22:24-30

(Read responsively by half verse. The people read after the asterisk.)

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My praise is of him in the great assembly; *

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

A Reading from 1st. John

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son

of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

1 John 4:7-21

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

Gospel Hymn

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

The Hymnal 1982 # 602

Verses 1 & 2

The Gospel

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

John 15:1-8

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

Gospel Hymn

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

The Hymnal 1982 # 602

Verses 3 & 4

Sermon

The Reverend J David Knight

A time of silent reflection follows the sermon.