



# SAINT MARK'S CHURCH PHILADELPHIA

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THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
5 May 2024, 11 a.m.  
Choral High Mass

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## Welcome!

The clergy and people of Saint Mark's are glad that you are worshipping with us today. We invite you to participate fully in today's service, and we offer this leaflet to help you do so. If the Episcopal liturgy is new to you, we hope that you will follow along with the suggested congregational actions (sitting, kneeling, standing), ask for help if you need it, and participate to the extent you feel comfortable. Very soon you will find that the rhythm of this worship will become your own.

If you are a visitor to Saint Mark's, we invite you to fill out a blue information card found on the Ushers' Table and to please introduce yourself to one of the priests following the service. You are most welcome to visit us on any day and every day. If you are looking for a parish home, we hope that you will find one here.

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serves in love  
and proclaims hope,  
through Jesus Christ.*

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## Music of the Mass

The setting of the Ordinary of the Mass (those parts sung by the Choir) is the *Communion Service in E (Collegium Regale)* by Harold Darke (1888-1976).

*Food and beverages are not permitted in the church.*

*Throughout the service, the People make the responses in **bold print**.*

# THE ENTRANCE RITE

## VOLUNTARY

*Adagio und Allegro in f für ein Orgelwerk, KV 594*

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

*The People stand as the procession enters the church.*

AT THE PROCESSION, HYMN 409

*Creation*

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant*

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

*People*

The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* 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 People remain standing for the Kyrie and the Gloria and through the Collect.*

KYRIE ELEISON (*sung by the Choir*)

Darke

*Kyrie eleison.* Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christe eleison.* Christ, have mercy upon us.

*Kyrie eleison.* Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*sung by the Choir*)

Darke

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand

of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high ✠ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT

*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 People are seated for the Readings and the Psalm.*

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### THE FIRST READING

*Acts 10:44-48*

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, “Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

#### PSALM 98 (*sung by the Choir*)

J. Marcus Ritchie (1946-1989)

O sing unto the Lord a new song:  
for he hath done marvellous things.  
With his own right hand, and with his holy arm:  
hath he gotten himself the victory.  
The Lord declared his salvation:  
his righteousness hath he openly shewed in

the sight of the heathen.  
 He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward  
 the house of Israel:  
 and all the ends of the world have seen the  
 salvation of our God.  
 Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands:  
 sing, rejoice, and give thanks.  
 Praise the Lord upon the harp:  
 sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.  
 With trumpets also and shawms:  
 O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.  
 Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is:  
 the round world, and they that dwell therein.  
 Let the floods clap their hands,  
 and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord:  
 for he is come to judge the earth.  
 With righteousness shall he judge the world:  
 and the people with equity.

THE EPISTLE

*1 John 5:1-6*

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born  
 of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child.  
 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we  
 love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God  
 is this, that we obey his commandments. And his  
 commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of  
 God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers  
 the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the  
 one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one  
 who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water  
 only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the  
 one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

*Subdeacon* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand for the Gradual Hymn and the Gospel.*

FOR THE GRADUAL, HYMN 489

*Tallis' Ordinal*

*The Alleluia is sung by the Choir, repeated by the People, then sung again after the verse.*



*Choir* *V.* Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you and ordained you: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

*John 15:9-17*

*Deacon* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*Deacon* Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The People are seated for the Sermon.*

## THE SERMON

*Mother Johnson*

*The People stand to sing the Creed.*

THE NICENE CREED

Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

*Introduction*

We be-lieve in one God, the  
Fa-ther, the Al-might-y, ma-ker of hea-ven and  
earth, of all that is, seen and un-seen. We be-lieve in  
one Lord, Je-sus Christ, the on-ly Son of God, e-ter-nal-ly be-  
got-ten of the Fa-ther, God from God, Light from Light, true God from  
true God, be-got-ten, not made, of one Be-ing with the Fa-ther.  
Through him all things were made. For us and for our sal-va-tion  
he came down from hea-ven: by the pow-er of the Ho-ly Spi-rit  
he be-came in-car-nate from the Vir-gin Ma-ry, and was made man.  
For our sake he was cru-ci-fied un-der Pon-tius Pi-late;  
he suf-fered death—and was bur-ied. On the third day he

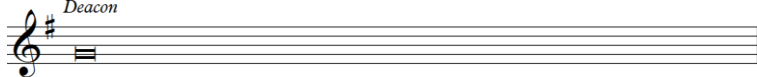
rose a-gain in ac - cord-ance with the Scrip - tures; he a-scend-ed  
 in - to hea - ven and is seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther.  
 He will come a - gain in glo - ry to judge the liv - ing and the  
 dead, and his king-dom will have no end. We be-lieve in the  
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, the Lord, the giv - er of life, who pro-ceeds from the  
 Fa-ther and the Son. With the Fa-ther and the Son he is wor-shiped and  
 glo-ri-fied. He has spo-ken through the Pro - phets. We be-lieve in  
 one ho - ly cath - o - lic and a - po - sto - lic Church.  
 We ac-know-ledge one bap - tism for the for-give-ness of sins.  
 We look for the re-sur-rec - tion of the dead, —  
 ☩ and the life of the world to come. A - men. A - men. —

*The People remain standing for the prayers.*

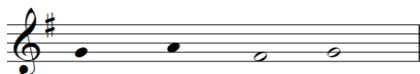
## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The Deacon offers the Prayers of the People, singing the following.*

*Deacon*



With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying,



"Lord, have mer - cy."

*Deacon*



For . . . , let us pray to the Lord.

*People*



Lord, have mer - cy.

*Deacon*



In the communion of [ ... and of all the ] saints, let us commend



our-selves and one an - o - ther, and all our life to Christ our God.

*People*



To you, O Lord our God.

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*The People kneel for the Confession and Absolution.*



*People* **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.**

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

*The People stand to exchange the Peace.*

#### THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The People are seated for parish announcements. They remain seated as the gifts of bread and wine are presented, the Altar is prepared, and an offering of money is collected.*

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

Judith Weir (b. 1954)

Love bade me welcome: but my soul drew back,  
Guilty of dust and sin.  
But quick-eyed Love, observing me grow slack  
From my first entrance in,  
Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning,  
If I lacked anything.

A guest, I answered, worthy to be here:  
Love said, you shall be he.  
I the unkind, ungrateful? Ah my dear,  
I cannot look on thee.  
Love took my hand, and smiling did reply,  
Who made the eyes but I?



THE CANON OF THE MASS

*Eucharistic Prayer A*

*BCP, pages 361-363*

*The Celebrant begins the Eucharistic Prayer. At the appropriate time following the words of institution, the People sing the Memorial Acclamation.*

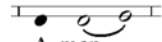
*Celebrant* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

*The Celebrant continues the prayer, concluding with*

*Celebrant* ...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.

*People* 

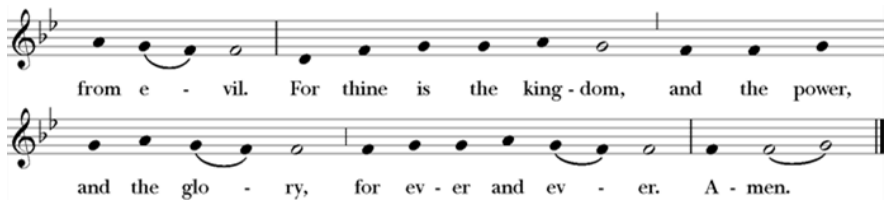
A-men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
 be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
 dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
 as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
 us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us



*The consecrated Bread is broken.*

AGNUS DEI *(sung by the Choir)*

Darke

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.

*The Celebrant then invites the People to receive Communion with the following:*

*Celebrant* ✠ Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the  
sins of the world. Happy are we who are called to his supper.

*People* **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you; but speak the word  
only and my soul shall be healed.**

*Everyone is welcome to come forward to the Altar rail at this time, following the  
indication of the ushers. All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion.  
Others who wish may receive a blessing from the Priest; please indicate that this is what  
you wish by crossing your arms over your chest as you kneel. To receive the Bread, please  
hold out your hands so the Priest may place a Host in your open palms. To receive the  
Wine, guide the Chalice to your lips with your fingers. After receiving the Sacrament  
or a blessing, please return to your pew by the side aisles and kneel or sit.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)

Set me as a seal upon thine heart,  
as a seal upon thine arm:  
for love is strong as death,  
many waters cannot quench love,  
neither can the floods drown it.

(Song of Solomon 8:6, 7)

*The People join in singing the Hymn.*

*After the Hymn, the People kneel and pray together.*

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

**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 BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*The People kneel as the Celebrant gives the Blessing.*

*The People stand for the Dismissal.*

*Deacon*

Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia.

*People*

Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*During the final Hymn, the People join the Procession through the West doors and into the Garden, where all gather for the Blessing.*

## HYMN AT THE PROCESSION

*Descant*



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, crea-tures great and small,

*Refrain*



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,



all things wise and won - der - ful, God made them all.



all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.



1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,  
 2 The pur - ple - head - ed moun-tain, the riv - er run - ning by,  
 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,  
 4 He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell



*Repeat Refrain*

he made their glow-ing col - ors, he made their ti - ny wings.  
 the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright - ens up the sky,  
 the ripe fruits in the gar - den, he made them ev - ery one.  
 how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)

Music: *Royal Oak*, melody from *The Dancing Master*, 1686

adapt. Martin Fallas Shaw (1875-1958)

*The People make the responses as follows:*

### THE LITANY OF THE SAINTS

*Deacon* O God, the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,

*People*



Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Deacon* O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

*People* Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Deacon* O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful,

*People* Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Deacon* O Holy Trinity, one God,

*People* Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Deacon* Holy Mary, Mother of God,

*People* Pray \_\_\_\_\_ for us.

*Deacon* Saint Michael,

*People* Pray \_\_\_\_\_ for us.

*The Litany of the Saints continues with the People responding to each petition:*

Pray \_\_\_\_\_ for us.

*The Litany ends with*

*Deacon* All holy men and women,

*People* Pray \_\_\_\_\_ for us.

*Deacon* Kyrie eleison.

*People* Chris - te e - le - i - son.

*Deacon* Kyrie eleison.

THE BLESSING OF THE GARDEN

*Celebrant* As the earth puts forth its blossoms, or bushes in a garden burst into flower,

*People* **So shall the Lord God make righteousness and praise blossom before all nations.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray. O God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Priest then asperses and censes the Gardens, as the Choir sings*

ROGATION CAROL                      French carol, arr. Martin Shaw (1875-1958)

Cheer up, friends and neighbors, now it's Eastertide;  
stop from endless labors, worries put aside:  
men should rise from sadness, evil, folly, strife,  
when God's mighty gladness brings the earth to life.

Out from snowdrifts chilly, roused from drowsy hours,  
bluebell wakes, and lily; God calls upon the flowers!  
Into life he raises all the sleeping buds;  
meadows weave his praises, and the spangled woods.

All his truth and beauty, all his righteousness,  
are our joy and duty, bearing his impress:  
Look! the earth waits breathless after winter's strife:  
Easter shows man deathless, spring leads death to life.

Ours the more and less is; but, changeless all the days,  
God revives and blesses, like the sunlit rays.  
"All mankind is risen," the Easter bells do ring,  
while from out their prison creep the flowers of spring.

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Almighty God, we pray that of your great goodness you might pour upon this garden the continual dew of your blessing. Nourished by gentle winds and rains, let the earth bring forth its fruit in due season. Bless the lands and the waters of all the world, and multiply their harvests, and especially ✠ bless this Garden; let your Spirit go forth, that it



may renew the face of the earth. Show your loving kindness, that our land may yield its increase; and grant that we all may share the fruits of the earth, rejoicing in your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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PARISH PRAYERS

We pray for the sick and for those who are in need, especially at this time for Chris, George, Mary Jane, Marlene, Marguerite, Howard, Will, Nick, Bill, Doug, Bob, Barbara, the Gray Family, and Will.

We pray for the Saint James School, for the Servant Year Program, for those whom we serve in the Saturday Soup Bowl and in the Food Cupboard; for the homeless and the hungry and for refugees everywhere; for those who suffer from addictions; those who live with life threatening illness; those living with HIV-AIDS; for those who are near death; and for all those who care for them.

We pray for all members of the U.S. Armed Forces, especially those serving in dangerous posts.

We pray for peace among all the peoples of the earth.

We pray for the souls of all the departed.

*If you would like to add a name to the parish prayer list, please tell a member of the clergy or simply contact the parish office.*

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