



THE CHURCH
OF ST. MICHAEL & ST. GEORGE

The Sixth Sunday of Easter: Rogation Sunday

May 26, 2019 5:30 PM

The Holy Eucharist

*¶ The service follows the Order for Holy Eucharist
beginning on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer*

¶ All stand as the Celebrant and other Ministers enter

Acclamation

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

The Collect for Purity *¶ Said by the Celebrant*

Gloria in excelsis *¶ Said by all*

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

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. † *People* Amen.

† *Then all are seated*

The Word of God

The First Lesson

ACTS 16:9-15

AND A VISION APPEARED TO PAUL IN THE NIGHT: a man of Macedo'nia was standing beseeching him and saying, "Come over to Macedo'nia and help us." And when he had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedo'nia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. Setting sail therefore from Tro'as, we made a direct voyage to Sam'othrace, and the following day to Ne-ap'olis, and from there to Philip'pi, which is the leading city of the district of Macedo'nia, and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days; and on the sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyati'ra, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to give heed to what was said by Paul. And when she was baptized, with her household, she besought us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

† *A period of silence follows the Lesson*

Psalm 67

Deus misereatur

† *The Psalm is read by the Lector and Congregation, alternating by whole verse; a distinct pause is made at the asterisk in each verse*

May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

The Second Lesson

REVELATION 21:10, 22-22:5

AND IN THE SPIRIT HE CARRIED ME AWAY to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine upon it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. By its light shall the nations walk; and the kings of the earth shall bring their glory into it, and its gates shall never be shut by day – and there shall be no night there; they shall bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean shall enter it, nor any one who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life. Then he showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. There shall no more be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and his servants shall worship him; they shall see his face, and his name shall be on their foreheads. And night shall be no more; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they shall reign for ever and ever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

¶ A period of silence follows the Lesson

¶ All stand with the Celebrant for the reading of the Gospel

Gospeler ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

JESUS SAID TO JUDAS (NOT ISCARIOT), “If a man loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. He who does not love me does not keep my words; and the word which you hear is not mine but the Father’s who sent me. These things I have spoken to you, while I am still with you. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, ‘I go away, and I will come to you.’ If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I go to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place, you may believe.”

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Peter James Speropulos

¶ An extended silence follows the Sermon, all seated
¶ Following the silence, all stand with the Celebrant and say together

The Nicene Creed

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.

‡ *All kneel*

Prayers of the People

‡ *The Leader and People pray responsively*

℣. Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
℟. That we all may be one.

℣. Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
℟. That your Name may be glorified by all people.

℣. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
℟. That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

℣. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
for our nation, for those serving in the armed forces and their families, for our
government and for our enemies;
℟. That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

℣. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
℟. That our works may find favor in your sight.

℣. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
℟. That they may be delivered from their distress.

℣. Give to the departed eternal rest; †
℟. Let light perpetual shine upon them.

∇. We praise you for the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Michael and All Angels,
Blessed George, and all your saints who have entered into joy;
✠. May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

¶ *Silence*

¶ *The People may add their own petitions*

¶ *The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

Confession of Sin

¶ *Celebrant and 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.

¶ *Then the Celebrant alone stands and pronounces Absolution ✠*

The Peace ¶ *All stand*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

¶ *Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord*

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving *The Book of Common Prayer, page 372*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

¶ Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds with the Proper Preface, which concludes

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

Sanctus and Benedictus qui venit

¶ Said by all

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed ✠ is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

¶ The People kneel and the Celebrant continues

¶ Celebrant

... and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

¶ Celebrant and People

We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.

¶ Then the Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer which concludes

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *¶ All AMEN.*

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

¶ The Celebrant breaks the Bread and a period of silence is kept; then is said

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

The Invitation and Ministration of Communion

¶ All Christians baptized with water in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are invited to receive the consecrated Body and Blood of Christ. To receive the Host, extend palms, crossed and upward; when offered the chalice, please assist in guiding it. Each communicant may say "Amen" as the elements are given. Those desiring a blessing, but not the Sacrament, may come to the Altar rail and cross their arms on their chest.

¶ A period of silence follows the Communion of the People

The Postcommunion Prayer *¶ Said by all kneeling*

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing ✠ ¶ *The Celebrant blesses the People*

¶ *All stand*

The Dismissal ¶ *The People are dismissed with these words*

¶. Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

¶. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

¶ *The Congregation remains standing as the Celebrant and other Ministers depart*

TODAY

RECTOR'S FORUM will be in recess until the fall.

SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS: 8 AM Holy Eucharist in the Church, 10 AM Choral Eucharist in the Church, 5:30 PM Holy Eucharist in St. George's Chapel.

PARISH PICNIC: Today is the beginning of the summer schedule (10 AM service) and the Parish Picnic with face painting, Wayne the Balloon Guy, pony ride, bouncy castle, and more! \$5 for children's entertainment. Hot dogs, brats, and burgers. Rain or shine!

THE FLOWERS AT THE HIGH ALTAR are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the baptism of Margaret Grace Noel and James Henry Carroll, and in memory of Dotty and Jeff Miller, Sr. and Edwin L. Noel.

BAPTISM: We welcome to our Church family: Margaret Grace Noel, daughter of Lauren Carroll Noel and Edwin Currie Noel, and James Henry Carroll, son of Ariel Clare Carroll and James Christopher Carroll.

MONDAY, MAY 27

The Church offices and building will be closed.

TUESDAY, MAY 28

11:30 AM: Holy Eucharist, St. Mary's Chapel

SPIRIT & SPIRITS: Young Adults meet at Pat Connolly Tavern at 6:30 PM for Bible Study and fellowship.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY: 6 PM Dinner; 6:45 PM class; 7:45 PM Compline.

THURSDAY, MAY 30

12:15 PM: Holy Eucharist, St. Mary's Chapel

FRIDAY, MAY 31

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will meet at 8 AM in the Library.

JUNE 3-7

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION WEEK: We'll be serving in the St. Louis community from June 3-7.

JULY 17, 24, 31 & AUGUST 7

SAVE-THE-DATE: MAKE DATE-NIGHT COUNT THIS SUMMER:

CREATED FOR CONNECTION, A MARRIAGE WORKSHOP: Join the Parent Link July 17, 24, 31 and Aug 7 as Nick Symon, MA, LPC, and EFT-trained counselor leads couples in learning how we might create deeper, loving connections with our spouses. This workshop will allow couples to work collaboratively with trained counselors to deepen the emotional bond of their marriage. Spaces are limited. Sign-up online on our Parent Link website, or e-mail marty@csmg.org.

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Did you know that Jesus, God the Son, is sometimes referred to as Agnus Dei or Lamb of God? This is most often the case in John's Gospel and in the Revelation to him. John the Baptist proclaims, "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world," upon seeing Jesus approach. In the Revelation, a vast multitude surrounds the throne of God and proclaims with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" In Christian art, Jesus is often represented as a lamb. If the lamb is lying down, it represents the suffering and self-sacrificial love of Christ; if the lamb is standing up, it suggests the triumphant, risen Lord.

WOMEN'S RETREATS

SAVE THE DATES:

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

One Day Retreat on Saturday, October 5 at The Church of St. Michael & St. George. More information to follow.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6 - SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2020

Weekend Retreat beginning on Friday, March 6, at 5 PM, ending on Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 3 PM.

Led by The Rev. Suzanne Guthrie, an Episcopal priest. More information about Suzanne can be found at <http://edgeofenclosure.org/aboutsuzanne.html>

Mark your calendars. You won't want to miss these retreats!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

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11:30 AM Holy Eucharist

6:30 PM Spirit & Spirits

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

6:00 PM Wonderful Wednesday

THURSDAY, MAY 30

12:15 PM Holy Eucharist

7:00 PM Bridge Group

FRIDAY, MAY 31

8:00 AM Women's Bible Study

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

Morning Prayer will be read Monday - Friday at

7:30 AM and Saturday at 8:30 AM;

Evening Prayer will be read Monday - Friday at 5:30 PM

Services will be held in St. Mary's Chapel.

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Lindsay, Jeannette, Bill, Alisa, Joanna, Patsy, Ken, Jan, Ralph, Sam, Marcella, Al, Bill, Fred, Tom, Elizabeth, Dixie, Rosalyn, Marguerite, Nick, Jan, Joan, Peggy, Mary, Joe, Nance, Jacob, Mellie, Greg, Loyala Academy & Staff, Linda, Jo, Jeanne & Laurie, Grace, Bob & Leslie, Angela, Alleah, Beck family, Michael, Jennie, Nigel, Ed, Anne, Bill, Linda, Andrea, Emily, Helen, Patsy, Julie, Margaret, Connor, Alicia, Joanna, Phyllis, Kim, Miriam, Mark, Lindsey, Missy;

FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES

Riley, Rainey, Robert, Dacre, Edward, Sam, Charles, Lunsford, Raymond, Torrence, Justin, Ryan, Ambers, Breslin, Chase;

FOR THE DEPARTED

Betty, Orrin, Sarah;

May their souls and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace;

IN THANKSGIVING FOR

Heavenly Meals Ministry; the Baptism of James Henry Carroll and Margaret Grace Noel; the People and Ministry of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Ferguson, and Steven, their Rector; for all members of the Anglican Communion around the world.

PASTORAL CARE

Is there someone you haven't seen recently at Church? If you or someone you know is ill or hospitalized, please let us know how we can help. Please contact Debbie or Laurie at 314.721.1502 or Laurie@csmmsg.org.



It's common for churches to see what's been thoughtfully (or painfully) coined "the summer giving slump," when giving declines between the months of May and August. Many churches like CSMSG see a 20% or more decrease in giving during these months, due to members being on vacation, going to BBQs, traveling with family, etc. You can help CSMSG avoid the slump in two ways:

* Pay your pledge in full now, instead of at the end of the year;

* Send in ahead of time those pledge payments you will miss while you are away this summer.

You may give online at anytime from anywhere. Go to our website, click on Stewardship, then click on Give Now. In spite of the slump, God is at work at CSMSG this summer! We are gearing up for what is sure to be a spectacular fall. Thank you for your support.



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