

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Shawnee, Kansas



The Vine And The Branches by Laura Sotka

Holy Eucharist Rite II

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ROGATION SUNDAY

May 9, 2021

Please note: If you are joining us at our outdoor in-person worship, please realize that you may be included in our live stream video or photographs. If you would prefer to not be included, please talk to the tech team BEFORE the service begins.

People standing as able.
The Opening Hymn

Shout To The Lord

All standing, the Celebrant says

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

No collect of purity during Eastertide.

Said all together

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.

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. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson 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.***

The Response Psalm 98

Cantate Domino

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song, ***
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm ***
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The LORD has made known his victory; ***
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, ***
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; ***
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the LORD with the harp, ***
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn ***
shout with joy before the King, the LORD.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, ***
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, ***
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,
when he comes to judge the earth.

**10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples 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.

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

Gospel Anthem

Jesus Loves Me

The Gospel John 15: 9-17

All stand as able.

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

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.***

Please be seated.

Sermon

The Reverend Jonathan Brice



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The Nicene Creed

All stand and say together.

**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 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**

Please stand or sit.



**Prayers of the People
May 9, 2021
The Sixth Sunday of Easter**

*Let us demonstrate the hope that fills our hearts by turning to God
in prayer, saying: **Lord, hear our prayer.***

Empower with your Spirit, O Lord, all ministers of the gospel, that they may preach the word boldly and without apology, saying: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Empower with your Spirit, O Lord, all leaders of nations, that they may be unrelenting in their quest for peace, saying: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Empower with your Spirit, O Lord, all the suffering peoples of this world, especially those who suffer for doing right, saying: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Empower with your Spirit, O Lord, those among us who experience desolation, especially those for whom God seems most remote, saying: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Empower with your Spirit, O Lord, all the sick and the dying, that they may find life, saying: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Empower with your Spirit, O Lord, the newly baptized, that they may never cease to praise you for the hope that fills their hearts, saying: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia

In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the people of Sudan, South Sudan and Uganda

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the retired clergy of the diocese

Let us pray: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For Those Serving in the Armed Forces: Devon Allen; Murphy Bright; Ben Dible; Coy Goodman; Michael Green; Harvey Hayselden; Drew Hunnicutt; Benjamin Karpinski; Patrick McAnerney; Alex Shaw; Jose Te'o; Brian Wichael; Collin Kelly; Macauley Garton; Frank Bednar; Grant Bednar

Let us pray: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For Health & Strength: Allen; Joan Duran; Becky Stanley; Chad and Mary Claire Blickenstaff; George Keller; Isabel Ensign; Mickey Cunningham; Merle Cumberbatch; Toni Allen;

Let us pray: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For Birthdays: Willie McCallum; Hillary Urich

Let us pray: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Anthony Straker, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Let us pray: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Gracious God, it is in the power of your abundant and life-giving Spirit that we call upon you in prayer. Deepen our hope in your presence and your promise; hear us in your tender love, now and forever. Amen.

Birthday Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

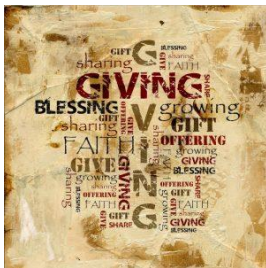
The Exchange of Peace

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Greet each other from a safe distance.



The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalms 50:14*

Offertory Anthem

Choir Anthem

The Presentation of Bread



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B

Standing as you are able.

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.**

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

**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 stand or sit.

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said,

"Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said,

"Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,***

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. **AMEN**

Celebrant

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

The Lord's Prayer

(All together)

**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

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant The Gift of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died (and rose) for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.



HOLY COMMUNION

Please stay seated. Father Jonathan will come to you with the communion host (wafer).

If you do not feel comfortable receiving the wafer please cross your arms over your chest and he will bless you from a safe distance.

Spiritual Communion

A spiritual communion is a devotional action that anyone can pray. It expresses the desire to receive Holy Communion at a moment where circumstances impede them from actually receiving the consecrated bread and wine.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Communion Hymn

I Love You Lord

Stand as you are able.

Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**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

Celebrant

Holy eternal Majesty, Holy incarnate Word, Holy abiding Spirit, Bless you for evermore.
Amen.

Rogation Sunday Prayer

Prayer for Seeds (hold seed aloft):

If you have brought seeds or bulbs, hold them at this time.

Creating God, you have given seed for the sower. Nourish, protect, and bless the seeds and bulbs which are sown in hope. May they bring forth bountiful fruit and beauty.

Amen.



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Prayer for the Soil (hold soil aloft):

Giver of life, thank you for soil in which nature awakens new life. Thank you for the smell of freshly tilled earth, the beauty of a cleanly cut furrow, and a well-ploughed field. Help us to be good stewards of the land. **Amen,**

Prayer for Water and Rain (hold water aloft):

Sustaining God, thank you for water. Thank you for the way it cools the earth, and hydrates the land. Thank you for the smell of the earth after the rain has fallen. We ask that the rain come as often as it is needed, so that crops and gardens may flourish.

Amen.

Prayer of Blessing on tools and gardeners' hands (hold gloves & trowel aloft):

If you have brought gloves or garden tools, hold them at this time.

Working God, thank you for our hands and the tools we use to till the soil, to plant the seeds and bulbs, to weed our gardens and allotments. May our efforts be to your glory – providing food for the hungry, beauty for our souls, and gardens of calm in our busy world. **Amen.**

Prayer for Gardening:

Creator of all things and giver of all life, let your blessings fall upon our seeds and bulbs, our hands and tools, our soil, our potted plants, our gardens. Bless our labour with rain and sunshine, that new life might spring up, that we might be truly at one with the integrity of all creation. Convict us as stewards of your magnificent garden to cry out when it is being abused and misused, to stand firm in our conviction to be your

appointed custodians. This we pray as your humble servants and stewards of this amazing planet. **Amen.**

Announcements

The Closing Hymn

All Creatures of Our God and King
The Hymnal 1982 #400

The Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia. Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.



To all mothers and grandmothers on their special day

Flowers given by Genie Park and Family in Loving Memory of Martha Adkins their Mother & Grandmother.



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