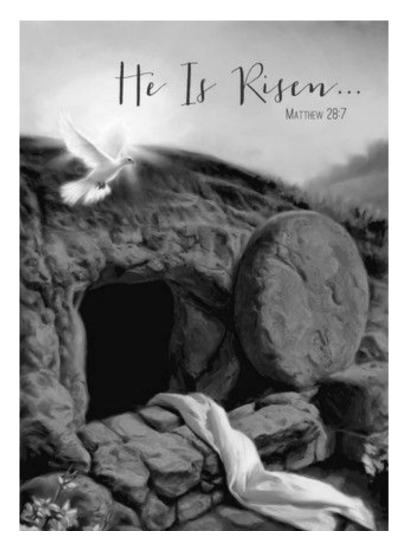
# Saint John's Episcopal Church Fourth Sunday of Easter May 08, 2022 10:30 a.m.

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2022 Mission of Saint John's To be a welcoming community committed to seeking, serving, and growing in Christ.

# Holy Eucharist

Fourth Sunday of Easter Sunday, May 08, 2022 Welcome to Saint John's, Concord (Glen Mills) – Welcome to all who are visiting Saint John's today. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us and that you are blessed by God. You are invited to fill out one of the visitors' cards in the pew so that we can help you get to know Saint John's.

# The Word of God

**Processional Hymn** 

## The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Hymnal 645

Hymnal S280

1 The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine for ever.

2 Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

Opening Acclimation

The Celebrant, after greeting the People: Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen. **People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!** 

Glory to God

The following is sung, all standing

# Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

# The First Lesson

## Acts 9:36-43

Lector: A Reading from the Book of the Acts of the Apostles.

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat

up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. *People:* Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 23

Dominus regit me

Prayer Book, 612

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; \* I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \* and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul \*

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; \* for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \* you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \* and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

# The Second Lesson

Reader: A reading from the Book of the Revelation of John of Patmos.

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor

and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,

and worship him day and night within his temple,

and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,

and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,

and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

## Revelation 7:9-17

# People: Thanks be to God.

#### Gospel Hymn: Celtic Alleluia



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

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

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

Repeat Celtic Alleluia

Ms. Margie Hatcher

The Rev. Terry Dinovo

**Children's Chapel** Younger children process to Children's Chapel

The Sermon

Nicene Creed

All stand

BCP p. 358

# The Prayers of the People

Reader: Let us rejoice and be glad in this season of Christ's resurrection.

Loving God, we praise you for the gift of the global church. Send the Spirit of the resurrection into every heart, for Christ is risen:

## People: Christ is risen indeed.

*Reader:* We praise you for the wondrous earth that you continuously create and for the myriad plants and animals that show forth your glory. Show us how to care for your creation, for Christ is risen: *People:* Christ is risen indeed.

*Reader:* We praise you for the opportunity to flourish as we go about our lives. And we pray for everyone who suffers from gun violence, from prejudice and injustice, from oppression and poverty.

Bring an end to wars and tyrannical rule throughout the world, for Christ is risen: *People:* Christ is risen indeed.

*Reader:* We praise you for the food that you provide and for the promise of an everlasting feast for all peoples. Show us how to meet the needs of the hungry in our world, for Christ is risen:

# People: Christ is risen indeed.

*Reader:* We praise you for a lessening of the pandemic and for the availability of vaccines and medicine. And we pray for those who are ill and those who struggle with their mental health; we pray for healthcare workers and first responders. Restore health throughout the world, for Christ is risen: *People:* Christ is risen indeed.

*Reader:* We praise you for the presence of the risen Christ among us and for the witness of all who have died in the faith, for Christ is risen:

People: Christ is risen indeed.

# (Here prayers may be lifted up from our Facebook community.)

*Celebrant:* In thanksgiving for the new life of the resurrection, we raise these prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ. our Savior and Lord. *People:* Amen.

Confession and Absolution All kneel

BCP p. 360

The Peace

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

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another with waves and peace signs.

Children return from Children's Chapel

Welcome & Announcements

# Birthday/Anniversary Prayer (Prayer #51, BCP p. 830)

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

# A Mother's Day Prayer

We give thanks to God for the divine gift of motherhood in all its diverse forms. Let us pray for all the mothers among us today; for our own mothers, those living and those who have passed away; for the mothers who have loved us and for those who fell short of loving us fully. We pray for all who hope to be mothers someday, for those who longed and yet never became mothers, and for those mothers who have lost children. We pray for all women and men who have mothered in any way – those who have been our substitute mothers and who have done so much for those in need. And we pray for Mother Earth that bore us and provides us with our sustenance. We pray all this in the name of God, who is both our Father and our great loving Mother. *Amen.* 

# Offertory

# The Holy Communion

# The Great Thanksgiving

*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 God thanks and praise.

*Celebrant:* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

# *People: Glory to you for ever and ever.*

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be [...] who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Eucharistic Prayer C

## Sanctus

Hymnal S-130

The People remain standing. The Celebrant continues: And so, Father, we [...] from generation to generation. AMEN.

*Celebrant:* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

# People and Celebrant

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 consecrated Bread, a period of silence is kept. Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

# People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's Table. We have gluten-free wafers for those that need them; please let the Priest know. Due to the pandemic, only bread will be shared during Communion.

# **Communion Hymn**

Amazing Grace

Hymnal 671

1 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

3 The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be

as long as life endures.

# Post Communion PrayerBCP, p. 365BlessingRecessional HymnMy Shepherd Will Supply My NeedHymnal 664

1 My Shepherd will supply my need, Jehovah is his Name; in pastures fresh he makes me feed beside the living stream. He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways, and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

2 When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay; one word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away. Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread; my cup with blessings overflows, thy oil anoints my head.

3 The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; oh, may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; no more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

#### Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia! *People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!* 

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#### The altar flowers are given for:

May 1st

In Thanksgiving for the Borer children: Edward Jr., Catherine, & Elizabeth from Ed Borer In memory of Lorine Alley from Dianna & Tom Stone

May 8th

In memory of Ruth Wenke from Marti & John Keenan In memory of Lorraine & John Pachkowski from Mary Alice Peeling & John Pachkowski In memory of Mary Huber & Vera Stanton from Miriam Stanton

#### Service Participants

Preacher: The Rev. Terry Dinovo Lector: Rocky Bassick, Carol Angus Counters: Bill Angus, Carol Angus, Bobbie Ely Alter Guild: Tracey Payne, Beth Torrens, Charlotte Strickland, Melody Calhoun

#### Announcements

#### The Sermon on the Mount

Join Rev. Jill on Sunday mornings in May from 9:45-10:20 for a discussion on Jesus's well-loved Sermon on the Mount. To prepare, you can read *The Sermon on the Mount* by Amy-Jill Levine, New Testament scholar (available on Amazon) or read Matthew's Gospel chapters 5-7. Meeting in the Battin Room and on Zoom (ID 955 049 2211 CODE 1702)

May 15th: Matthew 6:7-15 Our Father (or Chapter 4 in the supplemental book by Amy-Jill Levine) May 22nd: Matthew 6:16-7:5 (or Chapter 5 in the supplemental book by Amy-Jill Levine) May 29th: No gathering (Memorial Day Weekend) June 5th: Matthew 7:6-29 (or Chapter 6 in the supplemental book by Amy-Jill Levine)

#### Thursday Morning Café

Drop in for a cup of coffee and conversation with friends! Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month. Drop in between 10-11:30. May dates: May 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Thursday Healing Eucharist**

Twice a month, Rev. Jill leads a midweek Eucharist on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at 11:30. This short, 30minute worship includes healing prayers and a spiritual reflection time.

#### Holy Hikers

Join fellow St. Johners on a holy hike! **Saturday, May 14**<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 – hike hosts: Mark and Kathy Mowrer; meet at Chadds Ford Township Bldg. Directions: take Rt 1 south; turn left onto Ring Rd (across from Brandywine Battle Field). Take an right into the parking lot and park at the far end. Bring water.

#### Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast is Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:30. Enjoy a hearty breakfast and a short spiritual reflection by Rev. Jill. Open to all men in our parish.

#### The Queen's Tea Party

The Daughters of the British Empire invites you to a royal tea! Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets are \$35 and proceeds go to support Victorian Home Cares. Questions? Please contact Mary Alice Peeling at mapeeling@outlook.com or Bette-Jo Readinger at bettejoreadinger@yahoo.com

#### Ladies Potluck

Meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 6pm, ladies of the parish are invited to share a meal with friends! For further information, contact Maureen Thompson at <u>shawneedog1@yahoo.com</u> or at the Parish Office on Fridays.

#### Annual Parish Picnic!

Our Annual Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. We will have only one worship service that day at 10:30 am with the picnic immediately following. Please stay tuned for more information!

#### Parish Weekly Prayer List

*Please Note:* After the last Sunday of each month, all names are removed from the Parish Weekly Prayer List. If you would like a name to remain on the Prayer List, please contact the Parish Office, either by phone at (610) 459-2994 or by email at <u>office@saintjohnsconcord.com</u> You may add or remove names at any time. Please include the first name and, if you wish, the first initial of the person's last name.

#### Please keep the following People in your Prayers

Prayer List:				
Bill Z.	Kevin Z.	Mary H.	Barbara A.	Molly S.
John	Tyler	Joan	SLAFC	Kimberly S.
Jen	Jim	James	Ashley	Jean C.
MH	Diana	Edith	Al	Sean
Jocelyn	Dolores	Ed	Barrie P.	Amy B.

The People of Ukraine	Nancy	Gary C.	Robert B.	Oakley
Jon	Samantha	JMC	Sarah	Hahn Family
Brenda	Myrtle	Ellen C.	Craig	Lydia
Marissa	Norma Jean			
Birthdays:				
Betty Lou Darley	Sheri Hofer	Lucy Wood	Elaine Wheeler	Hope Diehl
Ruth Shuman	Garrett Stoops	Matthew Winnick	Rev Jill LaRoche V	Wikel
Anniversaries: Michele & Tony Fenza		Marti & John Keenan Cheryl & Dave Piercey		Dave Piercey

#### Prayers for those in the Military

Steven Michael Pascal, Navy Kyle Mullen, Army

Daniel Stock, Navy Anna Harris, Navy

Scott Lister, Navy Tyler R. Faison, Marines

#### VESTRY MEMBERS, WARDENS AND OFFICERS

<u>Class of Feb. 5, 2023</u> Bill Calhoun, Jacqui Dunn, Mary Pat Lynam, John Pachkowski, Tracey Payne

#### Class of Feb. 4, 2024

Diane Carlin, Dick Constable, Ron Hammer, Ann McGonigal, Gerry Tierney

Officers

Danielle Yoch, Rector's Warden

Bill Calhoun, Vestry Warden

Burt Blackburn, Treasurer

#### **Church Staff**

Margaret Hatcher - Children's Chapel and Christian Arts Jessica Villante – Music Director Josef Samargia - Baritone Soloist Chris Villante - Interim Organist/Keyboardist Kevin Werner and Ron Arrants - Sextons Miriam Stanton and Maureen Thompson - Office Volunteers

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