



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 22, 2022

ORDER OF HOLY EUCHARIST

RITE I – 8:15 AM

It is as if God planted a great big kiss in the middle of our spirit and all the wounds, doubts, and guilt feelings were healed at the same moment. The experience of being loved by the Ultimate Mystery banishes every fear.

- Thomas Keating

THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING SENTENCES

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

Congregation: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

THE COLLECT OF PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GLORIA

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, who hast prepared for those who love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE FIRST READING (seated)

Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us."¹⁰ When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. ¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course

to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis,¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days.¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there.¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul.¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.” And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 67

Deus misereatur

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We will read the Psalm responsively by whole verse.

¹ May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
 show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

² Let your ways be known upon earth, *
 your saving health among all nations.

³ Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
 let all the peoples praise you.

⁴ Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
 for you judge the peoples with equity
 and guide all the nations upon earth.

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
 let all the peoples praise you.

⁶ The earth has brought forth her increase; *
 may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

⁷ May God give us his blessing, *
 and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

THE SECOND READING

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.²²I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb.²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb.²⁴The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.²⁵Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there.²⁶People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations.²⁷But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

¹Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

John 5:1-9

The Rev. Benjamín Sánchez

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

Congregation: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ²Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. ³In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. ⁶When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be made well?” ⁷The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.” ⁸Jesus said to him, “Stand up, take your mat and walk.” ⁹At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Benjamín Sánchez

THE NICENE CREED (standing)

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Form III

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*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 give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Betty Bailliet,
Katherine Gause, Stacey White, Justine Andersen, and Michael Hackett;
May they continue to grow in your love, joy, and gracious service.*

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;
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, especially the Foster family, Kerri Caputo, Jodie Laurent, Joshua Toledano, Janet, Joy, Andrew Lee, Joy, Billy, Bill and Mary Ferry, Sophie LeBlanc, Ariel Funck, and Betty Zachary;
That they may be delivered from their distress.***

***Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

***We praise you for 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 PEACE (standing)

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

Congregation: *And also with you.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: *The Rev. Benjamín Sánchez*

THE OFFERTORY

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer II

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Celebrant: *The Lord be with you.*

Congregation: *And with thy spirit.*

Celebrant: *Lift up your hearts.*

Congregation: *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

Celebrant: *Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.*

Congregation: *It is meet and right so to do.*

THE SANCTUS “Holy, holy, holy...”

The Congregation stands or kneels

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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THE FRACTION ANTHEM

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THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (standing or kneeling)

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THE COMMISSIONING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

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OUR CONTINUING PRAYERS ARE OFFERED FOR: Peace in Ukraine, the Foster family, Kerri Caputo, Jodie Laurent, Joshua Toledano, Janet, Joy, Andrew Lee, Joy, Billy, Bill and Mary Ferry, Sophie LeBlanc, Ariel Funck, Betty Zachary

Announcements

Welcome to St. Augustine's!

We are so glad that you are here and that we can be together as we worship our Loving, Liberating, Life Giving God! Please don't hesitate to let any of us know if there is anything we can do to help you to feel more welcome. We look forward to getting to know one another.

Weekly Bible Study: We joyously welcome you to join one of our two weekly Bible studies, where we study the gospel reading for the week:

Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the parlor

Sundays at 6:00 p.m. in Byrd Hall

Calling all high school and college graduates! We will honor our graduates on Pentecost at the 11 a.m. service. Please let Julia+ know by **Thursday, May 26**, of any graduates you would like to honor.

Pentecost Picnic: We will celebrate Pentecost on June 5th with a bilingual service at 11:00 a.m. and a parish picnic in the courtyard to follow. Please join us – and wear your best Pentecost red!

Upcoming events:

Please join us next Sunday, May 29, at 9:15 a.m. for 5th Sunday Ice Cream!

Pentecost Picnic – Sunday, June 5, following the 11 a.m. service

ECW – Tuesday, June 7, 6:00 p.m.

MOSA – Tuesday, June 14, 6:30 p.m.

Thanks to those assisting in our worship today:

Dotty Suthon, Susan Scotton, Tim Gagliano,
Sharon Oxmann, Jackson Ellisor & Jeremiah Smith

Clergy and Program Staff

The Rt. Rev. Morris K. Thompson Jr., Bishop
The Rev. Canon Shannon Duckworth, Bishop-Elect
The Rev. Julia G. Rusling, Rector
The Rev. Benjamín Sánchez, Diocesan Missioner for Latin Ministry
The Rev. Deacon Michael Hackett, Retired
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