

# Grace Episcopal Church



The Sixth Sunday of Easter

10 AM Holy Eucharist

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## Prelude

## Opening Hymn

Now the Green Blade Riseth

1982 Hymnal #204

## Presider's Welcome

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## Gloria

Jesus is Lord of all the earth vs. 1, 2, & 4

1982 Hymnal #178

### *Refrain*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Give thanks to the risen Lord.**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Give Praise to his Name.**

**Jesus is Lord of all the earth.**

**He is the King of creation.**

### *Refrain*

**Spread the good news o'er all the earth:**

**Jesus has died and has risen.**

### *Refrain*

**Come, let us praise the living God,**

**joyfully sing to our Savior**

### *Refrain*

# The Word of God

## The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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 Lessons

**Acts 17:22-31**

*A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we too are his offspring.’

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of

human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

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

## **Psalm 66:7-18**

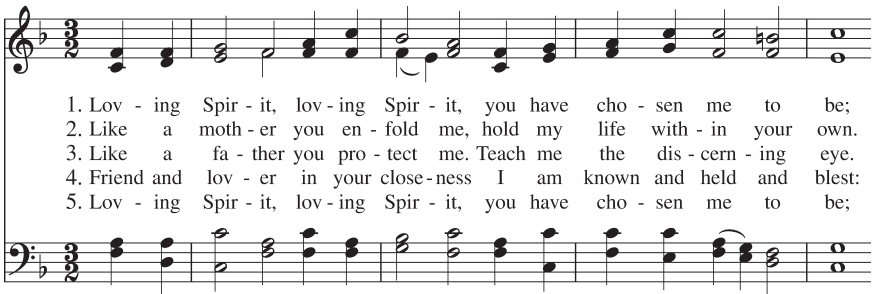
*The Saint Helena Psalter*

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; \*  
    let the sound of praise be heard;
- 8 God holds our souls in life \*  
    and will not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; \*  
    you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare \*  
    and laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;  
    we went through fire and water, \*  
    but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings  
    and will pay you my vows, \*  
    which I promised with my lips and spoke  
    with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts  
    with the smoke of rams; \*  
    I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, \*  
    and I will tell you what God has done for me.
- 15 I called out to God with my mouth, \*  
    and high praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart, \*  
    God would not have heard me,
- 17 But in truth God has heard me \*  
    and has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, \*  
    nor withheld steadfast love from me.

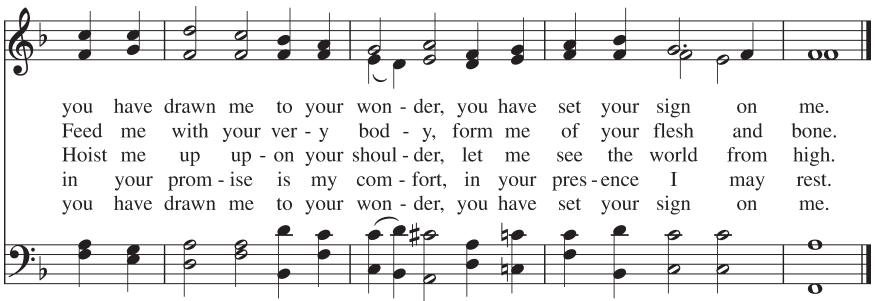
# Gospel Song

Loving Spirit vs. 1-3

WLP #742



1. Lov - ing Spir - it, lov - ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be;  
2. Like a moth - er you en - fold me, hold my life with - in your own.  
3. Like a fa - ther you pro - tect me. Teach me the dis - cern - ing eye.  
4. Friend and lov - er in your close - ness I am known and held and blest:  
5. Lov - ing Spir - it, lov - ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be;



you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.  
Feed me with your ver - y bod - y, form me of your flesh and bone.  
Hoist me up up - on your shoul - der, let me see the world from high.  
in your prom - ise is my com - fort, in your pres - ence I may rest.  
you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.

## The Gospel

**John 14:15-21**

*Gospeller*

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

*People*

**Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “f you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

*Gospeller*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise to You, Lord Christ.**

## Gospel Song

Loving Spirit vs. 4-5

WLP #742

## The Sermon

The Rev. Amy Denney Zuniga

*2 min of silence begun and ended by a bell*

## The Creed

*Sung to the tune Ode to Joy - 1982 Hymnal #376*

**We believe in God almighty,  
author of all things that be,  
Maker of the earth and heavens,  
Keeper of the sky and sea.  
We believe in God's son, Jesus,  
now for us both Lord and Christ,  
of the Spirit and of Mary  
born to bring abundant life.**

**We believe that Jesus suffered,  
scourged and scorned and crucified;  
taken from the cross, was buried—  
True Life there had truly died.  
We believe that on the third day  
Christ was raised up from the grave,  
then ascended to God's right hand.  
He will come to judge and save.**

**We believe in God's own Spirit,  
bonding all the saints within  
One church catholic, one church holy,  
where forgiveness frees from sin;  
in the body's resurrection,  
for the breaking of death's chain  
gives the life that's everlasting.  
This the faith that we have claimed.**

## The Prayers of the People

### Confession of Sin

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins to God.

**God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

### Absolution

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

### The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Risen Christ be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

### Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries

### Offertory Music

*Be Thou My Vision* *Eleanor Nelson and Layne Fishleder*

### Doxology

*Sung to Tune of Ye Watchers and Ye Holy One - 1982 Hymnal #618*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost,  
Oh praise God, oh praise God,  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## The Holy Communion

*Eucharistic Prayer 3 from Enriching Our Worship*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

### Sanctus

Santo, santo, santo

WLP #785

**¡Santo, santo, santo,  
mi corazón te adora!**

*Holy, holy, holy,*

*my heart, my heart adores you!*

**Mi corazón te sabe decir:  
santo eres Señor.**

*My heart is glad to say the words,*

*you are holy, Lord*

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

**Dying, you destroyed our death.  
Rising, you restored our life.  
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Send your Holy Spirit upon us, that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

**Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.**

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

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### **Fraction Anthem**

Be Known to Us, Lord Jesus

*WLP #875*

#### *Refrain*

**Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.**

**The bread which we break, alleluia,  
Is the communion of the body of Christ.**

#### *Refrain*

**One body are we, alleluia,  
For though many we share one bread.**

#### *Refrain*

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

*Jesus is our host; all are welcome at God's table. To receive communion, come forward at the usher's instructions and kneel or stand at the altar rail.*

*You may either hold on to the bread and "intinct" (dip) it into the bowl of wine when it comes to you, or consume the bread and drink from the cup. Communion in one kind (bread only) is a full communion; gluten free wafers are available if needed.*

*If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion in your pew, please let an usher know.*

*Children and infants are welcome to receive communion, either the bread or wine or both, as long as their parents are comfortable. If you or your child prefers to come forward to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.*

## Music At Communion

### Post-Communion Prayer

**God of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us so we and all your children shall be free and the whole earth live to praise your name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### Blessing

### Closing Hymn

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

WLP #780

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Lord, You Give the Great Commission'. It features a treble clef on the top staff and a bass clef on the bottom staff, both in 3/4 time. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The score consists of five lines of music, each corresponding to a line of lyrics. The lyrics are: 1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the; 2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my; 3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my; 4. Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther,; 5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing; "I am

sick and preach the word." Lest the church ne -  
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heard, help us wit - ness to your pur - pose  
 each, give us all new fer - vor, draw us  
 ward, ask - ing that the world a - round us  
 give. May your care and mer - cy lead us  
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*Refrain*

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 to a just so - ci - e - ty. }  
 hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty. }

gifts em - power us for the work of min - is - try.

## Dismissal

*Deacon*

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

*People*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## Postlude

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