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*Eastertide is a unique 50 day season of the church calendar ending with Pentecost. It is a festive continuation and observance of Christ's victory over sin, darkness, and death through his resurrection.*



## The Sixth Sunday of Easter *and the Baptism of William Jackson Deane*

*Year B*

May 5, 2024

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m., The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The Rev. William Petersen, Celebrant

Holly Simons, Music Minister

### **Prelude**

Savior, like a shepherd lead us – *W. Bradbury/arr. R. Bonam*

*Claudia Bissett, flute*

Choral: If God be for us – *P. Choplin (based on Romans 8: 31ff)*

# Processional Hymn ELW #733 Great is thy faithfulness



1 Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no  
2 Sum-mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and  
3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear



shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; thou chang-est not, thy com-  
stars in their cours-es a-bove join with all na-ture in  
pres-ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to-day and bright



pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for-ev-er wilt be.  
man-i-fold wit-ness to thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy, and love.  
hope for to-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

*Refrain*



Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by



morn-ing new mer-cies I see; all I have need-ed thy



hand hath pro-vid-ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen

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

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

# Song of Praise (ELW167)

*Refrain*



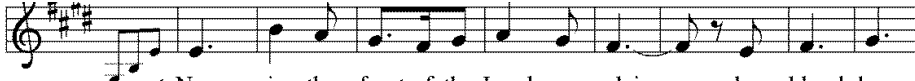
Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion




sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



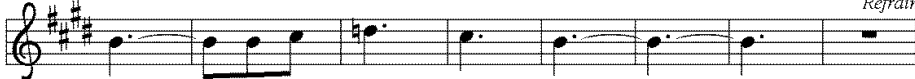
2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.



**Psalm 98**    *Read responsively*

*A song of thanksgiving and praise to the victorious Lord, who has made divine righteousness known and shown faithfulness to the people of God.*

Sing to the LORD a new song, \*

**for he has done marvelous things.**

With his right hand and his holy arm \*

**has he won for himself the victory.**

The LORD has made known his victory; \*

**his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.**

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.**

Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; \*

**lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**

**The Second Lesson**

**1 John 5:1-6**

*In this lesson we hear that belief in Jesus as the Christ, together with love of all God's children, form the heart of the Christian faith. This faith is victorious over the world; that is, over godless society. To love God means to obey God's commandments, and the essence of the commandments is the love of all who are of God. The one who overcomes the world believes that Jesus is the Son of God, who was present in the world not only through the water of his baptism but in the blood of his crucifixion.*

*Reader*        A reading from the first letter of John.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God**

## Gospel Acclamation

### *Celtic Alleluia*



*Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.*

## The Gospel

### **John 15:9-17**

*In our gospel Jesus speaks of his great love for his disciples and calls upon them to show this same love toward each other that has come to him from the Father. Jesus is talking with his disciples shortly before his death, when he will be taken away from them. But this love has now formed his followers into a new community in relationship with Jesus and the Father. They are no longer servants but friends.*

*Gospeller* 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."



*(8 am) continue*

*(10 am) Please go to Baptismal insert*

## **NICENE CREED**

*We profess our faith with the whole church.*

**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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**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, who with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified, who 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.**

## **Prayers of the People**

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

*A brief silence.*



Your Holy Spirit falls upon all who hear the word. Fill your church with the gifts of your Spirit and give understanding hearts to those who strengthen our commitments with our ecumenical and interreligious partners. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

You speak and the face of the earth is renewed. Revive your creation, that habitats and every kind of living thing might flourish. Protect endangered species and help us to care for all your creatures. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Your world is divided and the nations rage. Grant wisdom and vision to world leaders, that they may seek justice, peace, and the good of all. Strengthen international partnerships and cooperation. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Your children are in need. Comfort all those who suffer, especially those afflicted by anxiety, depression, and mental illness. Help us to be conduits of your love in our care for one another. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Your work is done in this place with our hands. Bless the ministries of this congregation, that we may embody your love for the world. Inspire those who plan and lead worship, council members, committee members, and volunteers. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Your blessed saints now rest in you. Give us thankful hearts for those who have gone before us. At the last, bring us all together around your heavenly banquet table. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.  
**Amen.**

*(10am continue from here)*

## **The Peace**

*We share the gift of Christ's peace and love.*

*Celebrant*      The peace of Christ be always with you.

**People**      **And also with you.**

## Announcements

*We share our life of faith together in community.*

### The Offering

*An offering is gathered for the mission of God in the world*

I appeal to you, siblings, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. *Romans 12:1*

*An offering plate is available at the entrances to the worship space, scan the QR code or you may visit [wolvesaints.com/donate](http://wolvesaints.com/donate).*



*The people stand in body or spirit.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*(Eucharistic Prayer 2, Enriching Worship)*

*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 our thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

*(The people kneel or stand as they are able)* Celebrant and People

## Sanctus (ELW 191)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The*

### *Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*We pray the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us.*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**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, forever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*We break the bread to share in the body of Christ.*

**Lamb of God** (*ACS Setting 12- Lamb of God*)



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## **Invitation**

*We are all invited to receive God's forgiveness.*

Today, we taste and see that Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

## **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

*There is a long-standing practice in the Episcopal Church to offer a means for people to receive Holy Communion spiritually when it cannot be received physically.*

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. 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 Flute Meditation** *“He Leadeth me”* and  
*“Trusting Jesus”* - arr. by B. Olstad

**Post Communion Prayer** *We ask God to send us as a witness to the world.*

*Let us pray together*

**Life-giving God, we give thanks for nourishing us with the bread of heaven and wine of love, Jesus our risen Savior. As you send us into the world, guard us from the power of evil, keep us in unity with all your people, and by your Spirit move us to testify to your grace in our words and actions; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**BLESSING** *God blesses and sends us in mission to the world.*

*The people stand in body or spirit.*

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✝ bless you now and always.

**Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn** For the Music of Creation *See next page*  
*(sung to the tune “Joyful, joyful we adore Thee”) - text S.E. Murray*

*For the music of creation, for the song your Spirit sings; for your sound's divine expression, burst of joy in living things: God, our God, the world's composer, hear us, echoes of Your Voice. Music is your art, your glory: let the human heart rejoice!*

*Psalms and symphonies exalt you, drum and trumpet, string and reed; simple melodies acclaim you, tunes that rise from deepest need. Hymns of longing and belonging, carols from a cheerful throat; lilt of lullaby and love song catching heaven in a note.*

*All the voices of the ages in transcendent chorus meet; worship lifting up the senses, hands that praise and dancing feet; over discord and division, music speaks Your joy and peace. Harmony of earth and heaven, song of God that cannot cease!*

**DISMISSAL**                      *We depart to live as Christ's body in the world.*

*Celebrant*      Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

*People*              **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Postlude**      We walk by faith, not by sight – *S. McFarland/arr. A. Giamanco*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**May 5th              The Sixth Sunday of Easter**

*We welcome all who are visiting with us today or who are new in our midst. Please complete a Welcome Card found in the pew racks and sign the guest book in the Narthex. All are invited to join us for coffee hour in the parish hall downstairs immediately following worship.*

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AVAILABLE ON TABLE IN NARTHEX.**

**In our Prayer Cycle PLEASE PRAY for:**

*In our Parish Cycle of Prayer:* David & Margaret Barnes.

*In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:* Trinity Episcopal Church in Hampton.

*In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:* Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil.

**Our Parish**

Jim & Anne Bullitt, Marilyn Bunting, Nathaniel Dunford, Prue Fitts, Judy Hess, Nancy Ghirardini, Louise Graham, Rick & Gayle Gurney, Don & Sandi Johnson, The Jeffers family (Polly, Dave, Rachael), Bhupendra & Judy Khetani, Liz Libby, Norma Lunney, Jacqueline McLaughlin, Penny Meyer, Connie Mitchell, Warren Muir, Carol Pearson, Bree Schuette, Sebastian Tordonato.

**Our Family & Friends**

Dave Corson, Candy Desrocher, Peter DeVeau, Michael Dowd, Stephanie Fullam, Ruth Gray, Linda Hall, Susan Belt Hartson, Sandy Small Hughes, Faye Juul, Jim Lunney, Margie, Shane Mitus, Jim & Lil Shepherd, Tom Southern, Marguerite Truesdale, Kyle Williams, Peggy Young.

**For those who have died**

*If you wish names added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office by phone or email: [allsaints@metrocast.net](mailto:allsaints@metrocast.net)*

**The Altar Flowers** are given in loving memory of Amy Elizabeth Dowd by Carolyn & Ron Sundquist

**Birthdays this week:** 4/30 Dave Haeger, 5/2 Marge Morris.

**Anniversaries this week:** 5/4 John & Maureen Boornazian.

**Sunday Ministry Assignments** *The monthly schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall and in the Enews*

May	<u>5-Easter 6</u>	<u>12-Easter 7</u>
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Parker Walker	Hancock Tordonato
<b>Usher</b>	Jones	Bertsch
<b>Lectors 10am</b>	Aiden Schuette-Simon	Lucy Hancock
<b>Eucharistic Ministers 8am 10am</b>	Carol Simpson Skip Hancock Dianne Wasmuth	Christy Parker Cate McMahon Dawn DeKemper
<b>Greeters</b>	Ann Champagne Joyce Lake	Ann Champagne Joyce Lake
<b>Flower Guild</b>	Linda Siracusa <i>Dedication</i>	J. McLaughlin <i>Dedication</i>
<b>Flower Delivery</b>	Danielle Pierpont	Lynne Slocum
<b>Counting</b>	Tue 5/7 D Hoyt D. Wasmuth	Tue 5/14 D Hoyt L. Healy

**Today-9am-Noon Mother’s Day Jewelry Sale & Batik Boutique, Parish Hall**  
**May 17<sup>th</sup> Noon- ECW Bridge/Mahjong Luncheon**



*We are glad that you worshipped  
with us this morning.  
Please sign our guest book and  
complete a welcome card found in  
the pew racks.*

**Worship Bulletin** ~ We follow the order of worship from The Book of Common Prayer as it is printed in this bulletin. Leader parts are in regular print; the congregation parts are in **bold** print. Notes and directions are printed in *italics*. Hymn numbers are noted in this bulletin and can be found in The Hymnal 1982 found in the pew racks.

**All are invited to receive Communion in this church.**

**The Common Cup as an Option** Following guidance from Bishop +Rob to clergy and discussion with our Worship and Music Team and Vestry, we will offer the option of receiving wine by common cup as we offer the option of gluten free bread during Holy Communion. The Eucharistic Ministers will continue to distribute wine via individual cups and if you desire the common cup\*, please ask Pastor Bill (just as you would for gluten free).

*\*Note: For sanitation concerns and at the direction of our bishop, we will no longer offer the opportunity for Intinction (the dipping of the bread/wafer into the wine. The common cup is only available for drinking from.*

**Facility Information** ~ Handicap accessible restrooms are located downstairs in the hallways exiting the Parish Hall and upstairs in the hallway exiting the sanctuary. A small restroom is located off the narthex lobby at the rear of the worship space. We welcome children in worship, but should you (or they) need, an unstaffed nursery area is located off the narthex lobby.

**Seeking a Church Home?** ~ If you would like additional information about All Saints', are seeking a faith community to call home, or interested in exploring your faith, please speak with the rector.

**Masks are not required** in the building at the present time. However, if you feel more comfortable wearing a mask, then you are encouraged to do so.

**Sharing of the peace** will be done from your seat only.

**Offering plates** are available at entrances to the worship space or giving online @ wolfesaints.com.

**We continue to livestream** for those unable to worship in person.

Ministers: All the People of All Saints'  
Bishop: The Rt. Rev. A. Robert Hirschfeld  
Rector: The Rev. William "Bill" Petersen  
Priest Associate: The Rev. Elizabeth Preysner  
Minister of Music: Holly Simons  
Sunday School Teacher: Danielle Pierpont  
Parish Administrator: Debra Hoyt  
Sexton: Mark McLaughlin

