

The Sixth Sunday of Easter  
Morning Prayer II  
May 10, 2020



Hymn: The spacious firmament on high

#409 (Hymnal)

*Unison or harmony*

1 The spa - cious fir - ma - ment on high,  
2 Soon as the eve - ning shades pre - vail,  
3 What though in sol - emn si - lence all

with all the blue e - ther - eal sky,  
the moon takes up the won - drous tale,  
move round the dark ter - res - trial ball?

and span - gled heavens, a shin - ing frame,  
and night - ly to the lis - tening earth  
What though no re - al voice nor sound

their great O - rig - i - nal pro - claim.  
re - peats the sto - ry of her birth:  
a - mid their ra - diant orbs be found?

The un - wea - ried sun from day to day  
whilst all the stars that round her burn,  
In rea - son's ear they all re - joice,

does his Cre - a - tor's power dis - play;  
and all the plan - ets in their turn,  
and ut - ter forth a glo - rious voice;

and pub - lish - es to ev - ery land  
con - firm the ti - dings, as they roll  
for ev - er sing - ing as they shine,

the work of an al - might - y hand.  
and spread the truth from pole to pole.  
"The hand that made us is di - vine."

Officiant: If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. *Colossians 3:1*

**Confession of Sin**

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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

The Invitatory and Psalter

S33 (Hymnal)

*Officiant*



Lord, o - pen our lips.

*People*



And our mouth shall pro - claim your praise.

*Officiant and People*



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:

*Except in Lent, add:*



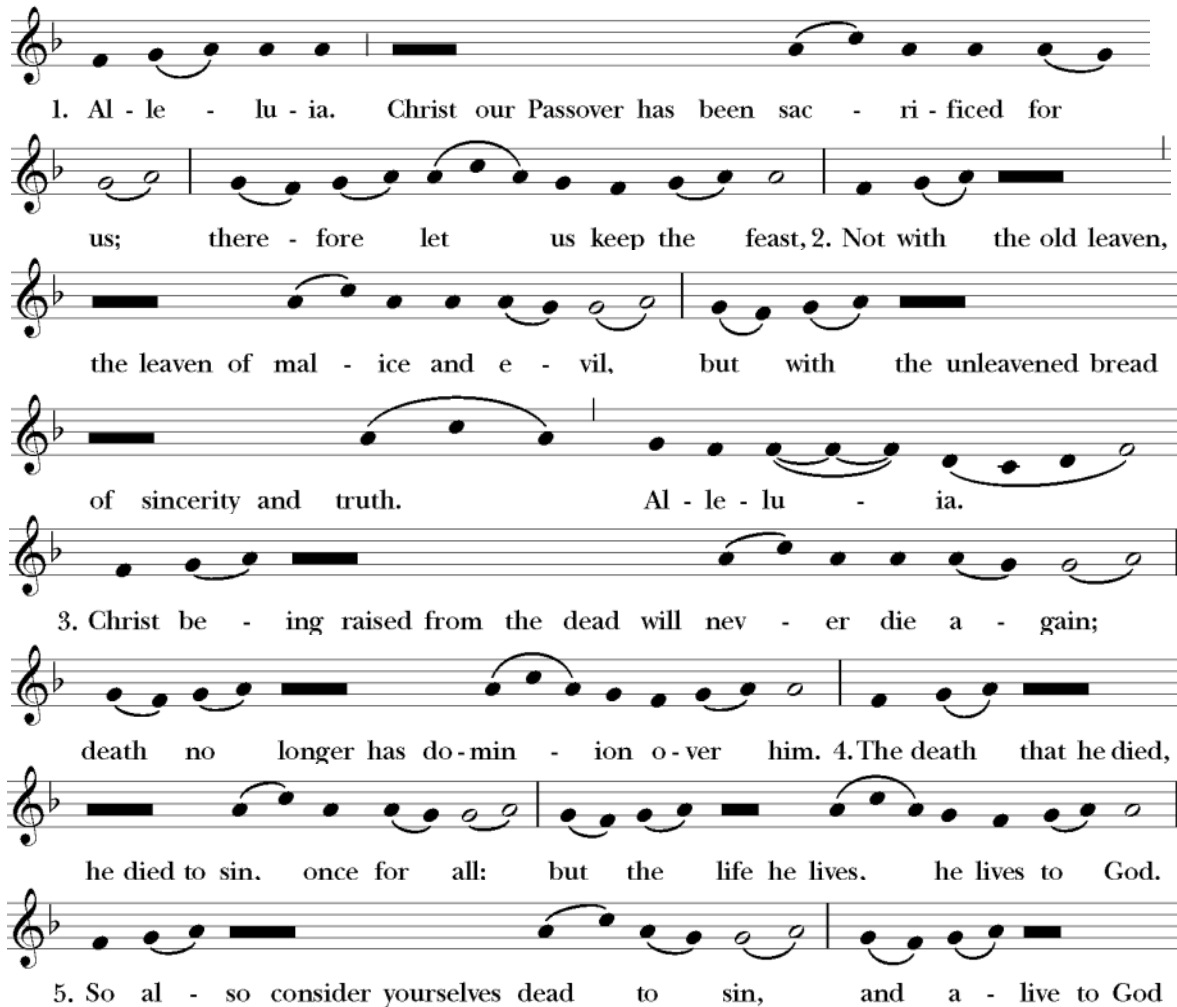
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia.

Officiant: Alleuia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.

People: Come let us adore him.

Christ our Passover *Pascha nostrum*

S46 (Hymnal)



1. Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Passover has been sac - ri - ficed for  
us; there - fore let us keep the feast, 2. Not with the old leaven,  
the leaven of mal - ice and e - vil, but with the unleavened bread  
of sincerity and truth. Al - le - lu - ia.

3. Christ be - ing raised from the dead will nev - er die a - gain;  
death no longer has do - min - ion o - ver him. 4. The death that he died,  
he died to sin. once for all: but the life he lives. he lives to God.

5. So al - so consider yourselves dead to sin, and a - live to God

in Jesus Christ our Lord. Al - le - lu - ia.

6. Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fal - len a - sleep. 7. For since by a man came death, by a man has come also the resur-rec - tion of the dead.

8. For as in Ad - am all die, so al - so in Christ shall all be made a - live. Al - le - lu - ia.

*(Gloria Patri may be added)*

Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit: As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia

## Psalm 66

Bless our God, you peoples; \*  
 make the voice of his praise to be heard;  
 Who holds our souls in life, \*  
 and will not allow our feet to slip.  
 For you, O God, have proved us; \*  
 you have tried us just as silver is tried.  
 You brought us into the snare; \*  
 you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.  
 You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; \*  
 but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.  
 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.  
 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; \*  
 I will give you oxen and goats.

Come and listen, all you who fear God, \*  
 and I will tell you what he has done for me.  
 I called out to him with my mouth, \*  
 and his praise was on my tongue.  
 If I had found evil in my heart, \*  
 the Lord would not have heard me;  
 But in truth God has heard me; \*  
 he has attended to the voice of my prayer.  
 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, \*  
 nor withheld his love from me.

**The Lessons**  
**Acts 17:22-31**

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of 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.

**The First Song of Isaiah**  
*Ecce Deus*

**S213 (Hymnal)**



1. Sure - ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not  
 be a - fraid. 2. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure de - fense.  
 and he will be my Sa - vior. 3. Therefore you shall draw water  
 with re - joic - ing from the springs of sal - va - tion.  
 4. And on that day you shall say, Give thanks to the Lord and call  
 up - on his Name; 5. Make his deeds known a - mong the peo - ples;  
 See that they remember that his Name is ex - alt - ed.  
 6. Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things,  
 and this is known in all the world. 7. Cry aloud, inhabitants of  
 Zi - on, ring out your joy, for the great one in the  
 midst of you is the Holy One of Is - ra - el. [Ant.]  
*Antiphon*  
 Sing the prais - es of the Lord, for he has done great things.  
 (Gloria Patri may be omitted)  
 Glory to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit:  
 As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men.

John 14:15-21

Reader: A Reading from the Gospel of John.  
Jesus said, "If 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."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Song of the Redeemed *Magna et mirabilis* S267 (Hymnal)

*Antiphon*

All na - tions will draw near and fall down be - fore you,  
be - cause your just and ho - ly works have been re - vealed.

1. O ru - ler of the universe, Lord God, great deeds are  
they that you have done, surpassing human un - der - stand - ing.

2. Your ways are ways of right-eous-ness and truth, O King of all the a - ges.

3. Who can fail to do you homage, Lord, and sing the prais - es of your Name?  
for you only are the Ho - ly One.

4. All nations will draw near and fall  
down be - fore you, because your just and holy works have been re - vealed. [Ant.]

*Antiphon*

All na - tions will draw near and fall down be - fore you,

be - cause your just and ho - ly works have been re - vealed.  
*(Gloria Patri may be omitted)*

5. Glory to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit:

6. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men. [Ant.]

Homily

*Mother Cathy Carpenter*

### The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

Officiant and People:

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.

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

**R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

V. Day by day we bless you;

**R. We praise your Name for ever.**

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

**R. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

V. Lrd, show us your love and mercy;

**R. For we put our trust in you.**

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

**R. And we shall never hope in vain.**



Officiant: 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.

People: Amen.

Officiant: O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Officiant: Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Hymn: Great is Thy Faithfulness

#14 (Purple Book)



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, Thy own dear

shad-ow of turn-ing with Thee; Thou chang-est not, Thy com-pas-sions they  
stars in their cours-es a-bove join with all na-ture in man-i-fold  
pres-ence to cheer and to guide; Strength for to-day and bright hope for to-

fail not; As Thou hast been, Thou for-ev-er wilt be. Great is Thy  
wit-ness to Thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy and love.  
-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

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.

## The Prayers

Intercessor: With confidence and trust let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for the whole church throughout the world, for all the holy people of God. For our presiding bishop, Michael, for our bishop, DeDe, for our rector, Cathy, and for our parish wardens and vestry, that our hearts may be opened to God's desires for our future. *silence*

We pray for our nation, for all the nations of the earth, and for all who govern and judge. Inspire them, O Lord, to an even greater spirit of public service, and turn us away from blame into actions that make a difference. *silence*

We pray for those who hunger, those who thirst, those who cry out for justice, those who live under the threat of terror, and those without a place to lay their head. For a world in need and those who seek a good friend. Lead us to understand more deeply what it means to stand in solidarity with them. *silence*

We pray for those who are shut in, those who are ill, those in pain, and those who are lonely, particularly Gordon Tall, John Rogers, Elaina Renfrew, Evelyn Mercer, Agnes Morgan, Fern Butler, Dottie Carrie, Ruth Ziemer, Rahel Reger, Donny Witkowski, Tom Mangan, Jason, Bill, Steven, Merle, Sharon, Howard, Linda, Linda W., Becky, Alice, Justine, Debbie, Eleanor, Lynne, James, Rosalee, Dawn, Lila, Missy, Joyce Y, Abigail, Bill, Erin, Penny our service members and their families and those we now name, silently or aloud that God will comfort and heal them. *silence*

We give thanks for those in our faith family. In our diocese we pray for Grace Church in Baldwinsville, St. David's Church in Barneveld and for all essential workers, first responders, and health care professionals. *silence*

In our parish we pray for the families of Jack & Barbara Allen, and Elaine & Greg Ceresko And for all the blessings of our lives, that we may continually declare how much God has done for us. *Silence*

And finally, we pray for those who have died, especially Kathy and those we now name (*silence*) who have entered into the land of eternal Light and your abiding peace. *silence.*

Officiant: Blessed are you, God of the living and the dead, for you called your Son from the grave: Receive the prayers we offer this day for those who seek new life in Jesus Christ and for all those in need in every place. Glory to you for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

### The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People:

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

### A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Officiant: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Officiant: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. *Romans 15:13*

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly  
 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -  
 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
 reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his  
 fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall  
 dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,  
 saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou  
 ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
 need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
 might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.  
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.