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## **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER!**

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#### **HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO**

Instrumental Prelude Debralee LaSeur-Helfand

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

God our Father, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Refrain:

Processional Hymn H184 v1&2, Christ the Lord is risen again Christ ist erstanden

1. Christ the Lord is risen again! Christ hath broken every chain! Now through all the world it rings that the Lamb in King of kings. Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our Paschal lamb indeed, Christ, today your people feed. Alleluia!

2. He who gave for us his life, Who for us endured the strife, Takes our sin and guilt away That with angels we may say: Alleluia! [Refrain]

#### THE WORD OF GOD

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia, Christ is Risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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*.

### **G**LORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.* 

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

### **COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **THE LESSONS**

The people sit

### A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (11:1-18)

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance, I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, `What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

## **Psalm 148** (Read responsively by whole verse)

- 1. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens;\* praise him in the heights.
- 2. Praise him, all you angels of his;\* praise him, all his host.
- **3**. Praise him, sun and moon;\* praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4. Praise him, heaven of heavens,\* and you waters above the heavens.
- **5**. Let them praise the Name of the Lord; \* for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6. He made them stand fast for ever and ever;\* he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- **7**. Praise the Lord from the earth,\* you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8. Fire and hail, snow and fog,\* tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- 9.Mountains and all hills, \* fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10. Wild beasts and all cattle,\* creeping things and winged birds;
- **11**. Kings of the earth and all peoples,\* princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12. Young men and maidens,\* old and young together.
- **13**. Let them praise the Name of the Lord,\* for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.

14. He has raise up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants,\* the children of Israel, a people who are near him, Hallelujah!

Glory be to the Father, And to the Son, And to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, Is now, And ever shall be, world without end. *Amen*.

### Reading from the Book of Revelation (21:1-6)

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn L64 v1, I Love to Tell The Story

Fischer

1. I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story because I know it's true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

### Refrain:

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to John (13:31-35)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the Last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself

and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

After the Gospel the Reader says:

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Sequence Hymn L64 v2, I Love to Tell The Story

Fischer

2. I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.

And when, in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song, 'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. [Refrain]

Refrain:

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

**S**ERMON

Reverend Hugh Chapman and Leah Wiley, Lead Organizer, CAJM

### THE NICENE CREED

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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 Form I

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For *Michael* our Presiding Bishop, *Samuel* our Bishop, *Hugh* our Rector, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, *Joseph, Kamala* our Vice President, *Rocky* our District Superintendent of Schools, for the leaders of the nations and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For this city, *Tallahassee*, and for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially those on our sick and homebound list as well as those who are in need of prayers and healing:

#### For those at Home:

Fr. Laughton Thomas, Rosalyn Greene, Ella Woodbury, Sam Oliver Sr., James Manning, Toni Jarmon, Rev. Leslie R. White, Rev. Ralph Griffith, Leonel Jones, Charles Walton, Joan Jackson Taylor, Christine Seymour, Mary Ann Nottage, Kove Lawson, Cynthia Holland, Genevie Vaughn, Harriet Bowen, Livy Hitchcock, Sheila Gonzales, Sam & Sharal Jugger, Allan Johnson, and Fr. Terrance Rosheuvel.

### For those in the care of the Doctor:

Dourest & Joann Robinson, Leslie Baker, John Melville, Williemae Jackson, Lauren Sapp, Dr. Derek Spencer, Marva Davis, Delores Brown, Hattie Olivia Scott, Alexis Shermise Brown, Jasmine Hartin, Shevette Newkirk, Rudolph & Marva Griffith, Delois Abraham, Stella Harris, Pamelia Harris Williams, Klcey Scott, Erica Scott, Renrick Alleyne, Jeffery Adams, Mayleen Rosheuvel, Ena Mason, Darlene Sheppard, Merrick Winston Edwards, Devonia Sears, Landon Dyre, Brittany Lee, Herma Watson Taylor, Barbara Gruden, Carolyn Allen, Canon Nelson Pinder, Camilla Stapleton, Elijah Malone, Carl Maxwell, Ann Dupree, Al Lawson Jr., Bill Bush, Nohemy Reid, Luann Hickman, Fred Hickman, Harold Dickey, Sterling Rinks, Scott Allen, Deborah Coleman, Leslie Warren and Cardlous Walters.

## For those on the front lines in the fight against the Coronavirus Pandemic:

Especially all doctors, nurses, scientists, and our own, Dr. Shaun Laurie, Dr. Nwamaka Onyeozili, Dr. Ross Howard McMillan, Dr. Ciara Grayson, Dr. Alaine Sharpe, Zuri A. White and Cheston Williams.

## For those in the Military:

Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Brianne Edwards, Vashti Thompson, Thandi Williams and you may add your own petitions, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of **St. Michael** and with all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence.

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#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and 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*.

The Celebrant says

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 Celebrant then says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE PEACE H554, Tis the gift to be simple

Simple Gifts

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free,

'Tis the gift to come down where I ought to be;

And when we find ourselves in the place just right,

'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained,

To bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed;

to turn, turn, will be my delight.

Till by turning, turning we come round right.

**Offertory** Organ Interlude

Doxology A650, Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow Hatton

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Amen*.

Presentation of the Offering – prayer to be said

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit, a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A (remain standing)

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 him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

### Celebrant and People

### **S**ANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel

Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen*.

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

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following invitation

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.

## Communion Hymn L135 v1-4, Is your All on the Altar

Hoffman

1 You have longed for sweet peace,

And for faith to increase,

And have earnestly, fervently prayed;

But you cannot have rest, Or be perfectly blest,

Until all on the altar is laid.

2. Would you walk with the Lord,

In the light of His word,

And have peace and contentment always?

You must do His sweet will,

To be free from all ill,

On the altar your all you must lay. [Refrain]

#### Refrain:

Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid? Your heart does the Spirit control? You can only be blest, And have peace and sweet rest, As you yield Him your body and soul.

**3**.Oh, we never can know What the Lord will bestow

Of the blessings for which we have prayed,

Till our body and soul He doth fully control,

And our all on the altar is laid. [Refrain]

**4**. Who can tell all the love He will send from above,

And how happy our hearts will be made;

Of the fellowship sweet We shall share at His feet,

When our all on the altar is laid. [Refrain]

### **Meditation Hymn**

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### THE BLESSING

#### **Announcements**

Recessional Hymn H535 v1&2, Ye Servants of God

Poderborn

- 1. Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful Name; the Name all-victorious of Jesus extol: his kingdom is glorious; he rules over all.
- **2.** God ruleth on high, almighty to save; and still he is nigh: his presence we have. The great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

#### DISMISSAL

Celebrant Our worship has ended.

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

**POSTLUDE** 

## Mega Yard Sale

The committee planning for this activity scheduled for Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup>, is still in need of volunteers. So far, the donations are flowing in. Drop yours off to the Fellowship Hall on Monday thru Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm. Items to be sold will include, live plants, small appliances, kitchen ware, curios, artwork, infant/toddler care items. Additionally, parishioners have been invited to help with set-up on Wednesday and/or Friday during the hours from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Let Verona Satchell, know how you plan to assist or support (850-491-1577). Please note: Debit and credit cards will be welcome at the sale but not personal checks.

### WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our church family. Please sign the guest register, include your home address, phone number and, if you would like to receive the monthly newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please also add your e-mail address.

**OUR VISION** is to be a cornerstone for serving the spiritual needs of the greater Tallahassee community, extending an eternal invitation to join our caring parish and to enrich the spiritual life of all people as we journey with Christ.

**OUR MISSION** is to experience the Gospel of Jesus Christ by feeding the mind, body and spirit of our community in fellowship and service.

HOLY COMMUNION: All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive the real and living presence of Christ in Holy Communion. To receive the Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice as it is offered. If you prefer, you may leave the Bread on your palm for the person administering the chalice to dip into the Wine and place on your tongue. All persons are welcome to give thanks for God's blessings at the altar rail, simply crossing your arms at the wrist with fingertips extending upward towards your shoulders.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY!

Stacey Richardson Jr (5/16), Quinton Laurie (5/17), Ronald Taylor (5/17), Sierra Mongerie (5/20).

## **Birthday Prayer**

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace, which passeth understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

### Collin Laurie and Jalen Oliver Graduate!!

The Senior Class of Lincoln High School has announced their Commencement Exercises for Thursday, May 26, 2022, at seven o'clock at the Donald L. Tucker Civic Center. Our own Collin Laurie and Jalen Oliver will graduate that evening. Congratulations to you both.

#### FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

## Mountain of Troubles – submitted by a sister-in-Christ

When you awake after a night of slumber, but just feel that the day will present an insurmountable degree of problems and you begin to think, why is this happening? Be assured you are not alone. If we took the time to find out, we will discover that so many others dread facing each new day. For they have to possibly contend with a grim diagnosis (sometimes), a stack of unpaid bills, a relationship that went south, or sometimes it is just the laundry from last week! For us Christians, it is no different and we can't just "pray everything away" as if prayer is some kind of magic wand to wave over that which concerns us. We mature Christians know about the importance of having a faith that is sustaining, that will see us through whatever bedevils our lives. Make the time to intercede, and watch our God provide us with the intestinal fortitude to face a mountain of troubles whenever they show up in our lives.

## A Special Welcome

It is a joy for us to welcome back to SMAA Leah Wiley, the lead organizer of the Capital Area Justice Ministry, Leah has been working tirelessly to help the nineteen (19) congregations under her charge, establish justice ministries within their fold. Additionally she has arranged for research teams to do their investigative work, so that when issues (as they were on April  $5^{th}$ ) are presented to decision makers and the wider community, they are received with the desired seriousness which could lead to decisive actions that benefit Tallahassee and the Big Bend Area. As a community we continue to be plaqued by gun violence, the rising cost of rent and a threat to the future of our children. Far too many of our youth make unwise choices that result in them being arrested by law enforcement when they could easily be issued a civil citation. We know how difficult and costly it could be to expunge a "record", which could determine one's future employment prospects or determine if one can attend an institution of higher learning. The Capital Area Justice Ministry collaborative, recognizing the importance of such issues, is committed to working assiduously to ensure that no such hindrance arises in the lives of the young people among us. Here is one opportunity to support CAJM – sign up today to join our Justice Ministry Network and provide the needed financial support for this extremely important emerging ministry in our midst.

Fr. Hugh+

#### **SPECIAL PRAYERS**

Father, you have made all people with eyes to see you at work in the world, ears to hear you cry out when right suffers wrong, when justice is brought low. Give to the people of our nation courage to stand up for goodness and right-doing in the face of an oppressive spirit, and courage to believe we may restore, in accordance with your gracious will, a light to enlighten the nations and the people with your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen.* 

## Capital Campaign Prayer

Most gracious Lord Jesus Christ and generous source of all abundance, in gratitude we invite you to expand our hearts as we seek to increase and improve this place of worship, peace, healing, forgiveness, outreach, service and fellowship. May all who enter here be restored and strengthened on their journey of faith. Guide us Heavenly Father, that we may make manifest your vision of a beloved and enlightened church and community, and be a shining example of the living presence of the Holy Spirit. May we and our Capital Campaign be a channel of God's abundant grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. *Amen*.

#### **Collect for the Coronavirus Pandemic**

Almighty God, Heavenly Healer, we bring to you all who are affected by our present pandemic; for the infirm and infected, the anxious and afraid. By your power defend us and heal us. Let us see one another not as vectors of infection, but as opportunities for love and service, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## Suggested daily Readings for fifth week of Easter: May 16 — May 21

Mon.	Lev. 16:1-19	Psalm 56, 57,[58]	Matt. 6:1-6-6, 16-18
Tue.	Lev. 16:20-34	Psalm 61, 62	Matt. 6:7-15
Wed.	Lev. 19:1-18	Psalm 72	Matt. 6:19-24
Thurs.	Lev. 19:26-37	Psalm [70], 71	Matt. 6:25-34
Fri.	Lev. 23:1-22	Psalm 106:1-18	Matt. 7:1-12
Sat.	Lev. 23:23-44	Psalm 75, 76	Matt. 7:13-21

Today Sunday, May 15

**Acolytes:** Omar Mongerie, Sierra Mongerie **LEMS:** John Grayson

Crucifer: Collin Laurie Lectors: Thomas Payne, Omar Mongerie Gospel Book Bearer: Collin Laurie

Vestry: Shaun Laurie

Organist: Debralee LaSeur-Helfand