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Seventh Sunday of Easter Family Worship with First Communion May 21st, 2023 + 10:00 a.m.

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world.

In today's gospel Jesus celebrates the passover with his disciples, transforming this ancient ritual into Holy Communion, during his last supper. Made one in Baptism and Holy Communion, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

This morning we ask that you remember our First Communion celebrants in your prayers as they join in the sacrament of Holy Communion along with their families.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands as they are able. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

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In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*GATHERING HYMN #393 A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing! V. 1,2,4



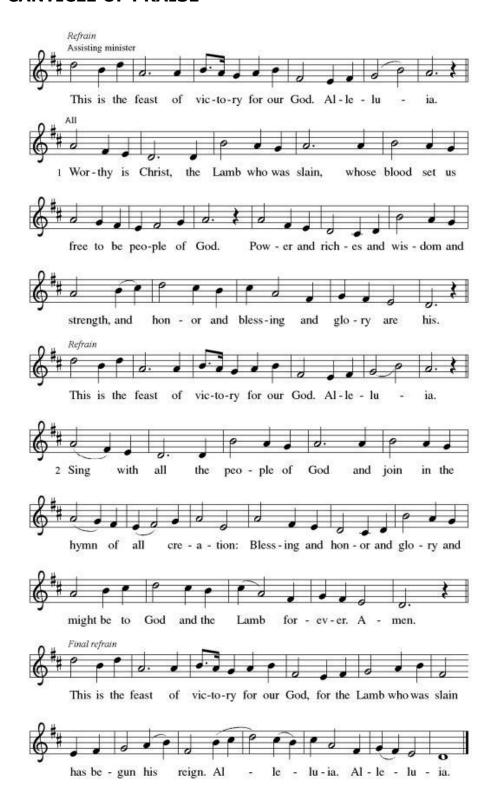
GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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CANTICLE OF PRAISE



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you! And also with you!

Let us pray. O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

ANTHEM (CHOIR)

WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 1:6-14

A reading from Acts

Today's reading is part of the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord's conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension, in which he promises that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit.

⁶When [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. ¹³When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**.

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PSALM: Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

¹Let God arise, and let God's ene- I mies be scattered;

let those who I hate God flee.

²As smoke is driven away, so you should drive | them away;

as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the pres- | ence of God.

 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice $^{\rm I}$ before God;

let them also be mer- I ry and joyful.

⁴Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; exalt the one who | rides the clouds;

I AM is that name, rejoice | before God!

⁵In your holy habita- ¹ tion, O God,

you are a father to orphans, defend- I er of widows;

⁶you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners | into freedom; but the rebels shall live in | desert places.

⁷O God, when you went forth be- I fore your people, when you marched I through the wilderness,

⁸the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the ¹ God of Sinai,

at the presence of God, the | God of Israel.

⁹You sent a bountiful I rain, O God;

you restored your inheritance I when it languished.

¹⁰Your people found their I home in it;

in your goodness, O God, you have made provision | for the poor.

³²Sing to God, O kingdoms ^I of the earth; sing praises ^I to the Lord.

³³You ride in the heavens, O God, in the ¹ ancient heavens; you send forth your voice, your ¹ mighty voice.

³⁴Ascribe pow- I er to God,

whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is ${}^{\hspace{-0.1cm} \hspace{-0.1cm} \hspace{-0.1cm}}$ in the skies.

³⁵How wonderful you are in your holy places, O | God of Israel, giving strength and power to your people! | Blessed be God!

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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GOSPEL: Luke 22: 14-30

The holy gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; ¹⁶for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." ¹७Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; ¹⁶for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." ¹९Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁰And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. ²¹But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. ²²For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!" ²³Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

²⁴A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵But he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. ²⁷For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

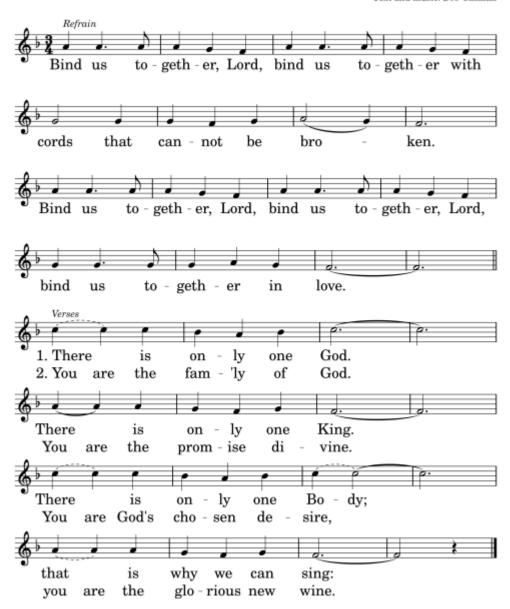
²⁸You are those who have stood by me in my trials; ²⁹and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, ³⁰so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

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*HYMN OF THE DAY WOV #748 Bind Us Together



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.

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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 and the Son,* 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 INTERCESSION

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

God of harmony, as you drew your son to your side, you draw us to you and unite us with the planet and one another. Weave your church together in a web of mutual love for the sake of the world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

As your Spirit hovered over the waters of creation, so your Spirit hovers over all that you have made. Bless the water that sustains the planet and grant wisdom to use it wisely. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You empower your people with the fire of your Spirit. Challenge activists and organizers, teachers and politicians, and all in leadership to speak a message of peace and justice. Bring peace to our world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You care for all your children. Show your steadfast love to those suffering isolation, especially exiles, refugees, or prisoners. Break the chains of all held fast by systemic oppression of any kind. Comfort all who are afraid or suffering from illness, especially Michelle, Bill M., Andrew, Bill F., Bill D., Luke and Emilie; those serving in the military, all on the prayer list; all people affected by COVID-19; and those we name before you now (pause). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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We give thanks that humankind serves as your body in the world, stewarding your abundant gifts. Guide this congregation's leaders as they seek your will. We pray for our staff and council. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For those who join in sharing the meal of Holy Communion this day, Gabriella Lynn, Lucie Rose, Nicholas James, Avery Isabel, Nathan Andrew, John Wayne and Agnes Irene, we thank you. May they always know that you are near. Make them one with all your people. Help them share with others the new life you give them in baptism, in your word, and at your table. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

You raise your saints to new life in Christ. We give you thanks for all your saints who have given us glimpses of your redeeming love. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

(Pastor) Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you!

MEAL

We practice continuous communion. The ushers will direct you when to come forward. You may take the bread and the wine (in a single use cup) or just the bread. You may also just come forward for a blessing.

OFFERING

Thank you for your support of the ministries of Saint Andrew's, by mail or by visiting our website for online giving. Donations: standrewsofsmithtown.org/donate

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OFFERTORY HYMN #462 Now We Join in Celebration V. 1 & 3



- 1 Now we join in cel e bra tion at our Sav ior's in vi ta tion,
- 2 Lord, as round this feast we gath er, fill our hearts with ho ly rap ture!
- 3 Lord, we share in this com-mu-nion as one fam-'ly of God's chil-dren,



dressed no more in spir-it som-ber, clothed in-stead in joy and won - der; For this bread and cup of bless-ing are for us the sure pos-sess - ing rec - on-ciled through you, our broth-er, one in you with God our Fa - ther.



for the Lord of all ex - is - tence, put - ting off di - vine tran - scen - dence, of your lov-ing deed on Cal - v'ry, of your liv - ing self, our vic - t'ry, Give us grace to live for oth - ers, serv-ing all, both friends and strang-ers,



stoops a - gain in love to meet us, with his ver - y life to feed us. pledge of your un - fail-ing pres-ence, fore-taste here of heav'n-ly glad - ness. seek - ing jus-tice, love, and mer - cy till you come in fi - nal glo - ry.

*OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE AND PREFACE

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.

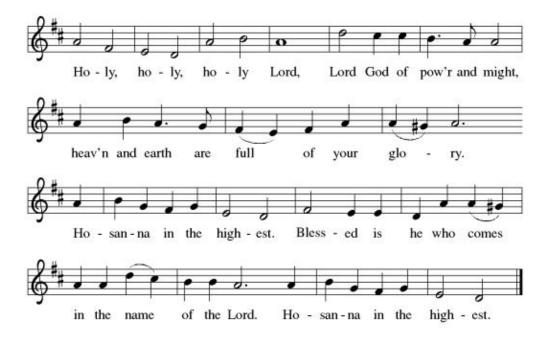
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen.**

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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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

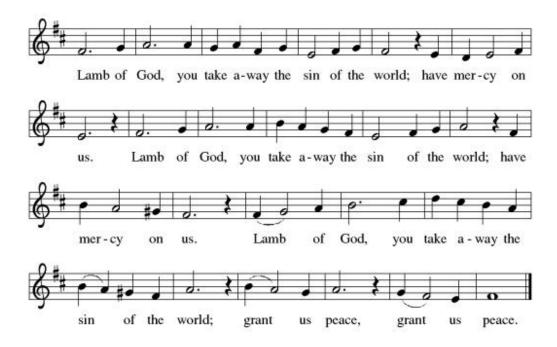
Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

Our First Communion class is invited to come kneel at the altar railing. After they have communed the rest of the congregation will take continuous communion.

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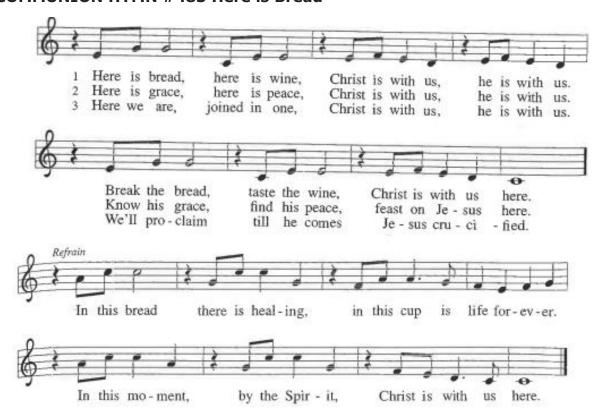
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LAMB OF GOD



Body of Christ, given for you. Blood of Christ, shed for you.

COMMUNION HYMN #483 Here is Bread



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COMMUNION HYMN #493 Taste and See



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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

in

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.

God

Amen.

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SENDING

BLESSING

The God of all, who raised + Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation. **Amen.**

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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This morning we welcome Pastor Bruce Kaifler.

Flowers on the Altar this week are in thanksgiving of our First Communion Celebrants!

Please join us for coffee hour immediately following worship. Thank you to Laura & Joe Kostecki, our hosts this week.

Voters Meeting today Sunday, May 21st at 11:45am in the Parish Hall.

The food pantry is currently in need of basic non-perishable foods, such as: Cereal, peanut butter, mac and cheese, tomato sauce, tuna fish, canned chicken We thank you for any donations.

May God Bless and Keep Saint Andrew's First Communion Celebrants 2023

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Pastor Paul Downing of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Port Jefferson Station serves as our coverage pastor. He can be reached anytime for pastoral care and emergencies at cell# 347-423-3623. If he is unable to answer, please leave a message and he will return your call as soon as possible. He can also be reached by email at pastorpauldowning@yahoo.com. Questions about meetings and day to day activities at St. Andrew's should still be directed to the office at 631.265.2288 or info@standrewsofsmithtown.org.

Pastor Paul Downing invites you to join him and the St. Paul's community for weekly Bible Study and/or Prayer Group.

Bible Study: 9:30am Wednesday mornings on Zoom (meeting ID 977-887-967)

Bible Study: 10:30am Wednesday mornings In Person at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran

Church, Port Jefferson Station

Prayer Group: 10:30am Friday mornings In Person and via Zoom (meeting ID 800-555-016) at

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER (21 May 2023) THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING:

Margie Costello and the brother of Joe Costello [requested by Joe Costello & family]

Bill Michalski, father in law of Jessica Davis Michalski [requested by Cindy Davis]

Robert & Pat Richards, Don & Marianne Spagna [requested by Mary Fjellstad]

Catherine Pernice, Bob Blagriff, Bill Davey [requested by Tom & Pat Pernice]

Barbara McCanlis, Patty DeGoveia [requested by Jill Breimann]

Jack & Adam Souza [requested by Laura Kostecki]

Ellen Bell [requested by Dorothy Graf]

Gavin Lahann[requested by Grandmother Violet Lahann]

Luke Meyveci [requested by Dana Sanzone]

Emilie Diehl [requested by daughters Cyndie & Kathy]

Sara Larson [requested by Julie & Michael Francis]

Andrew Madarasz, Gerard Tuohy [requested by Leslee & Steve Mathieson]

John Stabile [requested by Lydia Moser]

Amy Gabelman, Chris Peck, Bob Widmer, Lex Stolle, Carmine Colasanto, Richard & George Mengert [requested by Carolyn Gabelman]

Tracey Parisi, Margo Naranjo, John Hochuli [requested by Barbara English]

Norma Martin [requested by Sue Rorke]

Marilyn Havighorst [requested by Martha Hahn]

Nicholas Mauceri and Rocky Cinque [requested by Marianne Spagna]

Richard Wiles [husband of Joan Wiles]

Stefanie Spath [requested by Marianna Ulc and family]

Chris Kelly, John Sullivan [requested by Dottie & Jim Clavell]

Kerri Swanson [requested by Linda & Jud Taylor]

Andy Hazin & the Hazin family, Ilse Gunther [requested by the Hoffman family]

Zach Hills [requested by Brian & Diane Marley]

Bernadette Uneberg [requested by John Hinsch]

David Travis [requested by Richard Travis]

Carolyn Martin [requested by Linda Overton]

The family of Elaine Robinson [requested by Deborah Cella]

Bill Feigin [requested by Jessica Michalski]

Suzie DiSanza [requested by Donna Ihlen]

Viola Giovinco [requested by Liz DeLuca]

Amy Kitay [requested by Diana Smiloff]

THOSE IN MILITARY SERVICE:

Sgt Eric Hodosky

Captain Zachary Hinsch [nephew of Judy & John Hinsch] Major Lenore Livingston [daughter of Helen & Art Fortin]

Corporal August Detting

Major William Fortin

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