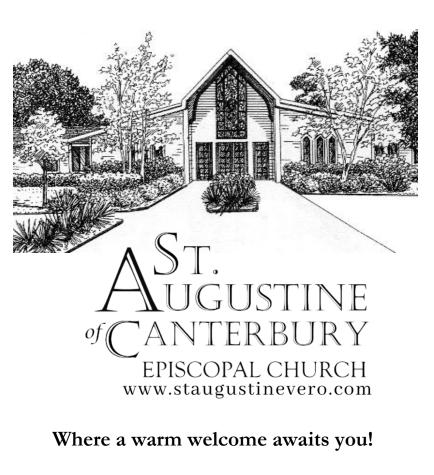


Sunday, May 18, 2025 The Fifth Sunday of Easter Year C



Order of Service

BCP pages on the left hand side are found in the red Book of Common Prayer. Hymns are in the Hymnal 1982.

Prelude:	<i>Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness</i> J.S. Bach
Hymn #400	All creatures of our God and King v.1-5
BCP 355	Opening Acclamation
Hymn #S-278	Gloria in excelsis Mathias
First Reading	Acts 11:1-18
Gradual Psalm	Psalm 148
Second Reading	Revelation 21:1-6
<i>Hymn #296</i>	We know that Christ is raised
The Gospel	John 13:31-35
Sermon	Father Wes Shields
BCP 358	The Nicene Creed
BCP 387	Prayers of the People Form 3
BCP 360	Confession of Sin
BCP 360	The Peace
Offertory	Lord of Life and King of Glory Grancini
BCP 361	Eucharistic Prayer "A"
<i>Hymn #S-128</i>	Holy, holy, holy Mathias
BCP 364	Lord's Prayer
BCP 364	The Breaking of the Bread
<i>Hymn # S-154</i>	<i>Christ Our Passover</i> Near
Hymn #711	Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
Hymn	Here I am, Lord Schutte
BCP 365	Post Communion Prayer
Hymn #493	O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing
Postlude	<i>"Little" Prelude and Fugue in G Major</i> attr. J. S. Bach

The Collect of 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.*

First Reading: Acts 11:1-18

A Reading from the book of Acts.

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."

Reader	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 148 (sung by the Choir)

Hallelujah!
Praise the Lord from the heavens; *
praise him in the heights.
Praise him, all you angels of his; *
praise him, all his host.
Praise him, sun and moon; *
praise him, all you shining stars.
Praise him, heaven of heavens, *
and you waters above the heavens.
Let them praise the Name of the Lord; *
for he commanded, and they were created.
He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, * you sea-monsters and all deeps; Fire and hail, snow and fog, * tempestuous wind, doing his will; Mountains and all hills, * fruit trees and all cedars: Wild beasts and all cattle, * creeping things and winged birds; Kings of the earth and all peoples, * princes and all rulers of the world; Young men and maidens, * old and young together. Let them praise the Name of the Lord, * for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven. He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loval servants, * the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-6

A Reading from the book of Revelation.

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."

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Gospel: John 13:31-35

People

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

The Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

Communion Hymn: Here I am, Lord

Verse 1: I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in deepest sin, My hand will save. I who made the stars of night; I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart.

Verse 2:

I, the Lord of snow and rain; I have borne my people's pain.I have wept for love of them; they turn away.I will break their hearts of stone; give them hearts for love alone.I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? (*Refrain*)

Verse 3:

I, the Lord of wind and flame; I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them; My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide, till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (*Refrain*)

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TODAY	Coffee Hour after 8 & 10am services
Monday	8am Morning Prayer by phone: 339-209-4611
	1:30pm Parish Prayer Group
Tuesday	9am Men's Breakfast CJ Cannon's
	9:30 Connections Bible Study Parish Hall
	1pm Prayer Shawl Group Library
Wednesday	10am Wednesday Healing Eucharist Service
	11am Bible Study in the Library
Next Sunday	Parish Picnic after 10am service Parish Hall

<u>Announcements</u>

<u>Altar Flowers</u> – Today's flowers are given by Mary Laughton in loving memory of her husband Edward "Ted" Laughton.

<u>Connections Women's Bible Study</u> –**Tuesdays** at 9:30am in the Parish Hall. Topic is "Fruit of the Spirit".

Men's Breakfast – This Tuesday, 05/20 at 9am CJ Cannon's.

<u>*Parish Picnic*</u> – Save the date for **Sunday, May 25 right after the 10 am service.** Church will provide burgers, hot dogs and beverages. Please bring a side dish or dessert.

Caregivers Support Group – Tuesday, 05/27 at 2pm Parish Hall.

<u>Salvation Army</u> –Continue to give pasta, spaghetti sauce and peanut butter for the Salvation Army.

<u>Birthdays</u>		<u>Anniversaries</u>	
20 -	Laurie Samuels	20 -	Jim & Yvonne Tso
21 –	Ken McPartlin		Nick & Marta Morris
	Vance Houdyshell	23 –	Fr. Mike & Sharon Goldberg

<u>Departed</u>

10 – Dr. Ted Perkins (2025)

21 – Edward "Ted" Laughton

<u>Please Prav For</u> – Brad, Eddie, Jacira, Samira, Melanie, Rolado, Dennis, Angie, Martha, Mickey, Theresa, Edith, Gloria, Sannina, Jenny, Linda Sue, Kathleen, Dakota, Arden, Elinor, Jacinth, Andy, Joanne.

10am	05/18/25 Altar Servers
Ushers:	Brian & Karen McIntyre, Pam Wehrberger
Lessons/POTP:	Ken McPartlin/Deb Kavanagh
Chalice bearers:	Chip & Stuart Weismiller
Crucifer:	Chip Weismiller
Torches:	Nancy Kelly, Stuart Weismiller