



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



WELCOME TO ST. STEPHEN'S LONGVIEW SSLV.ORG



We as people of faith who are called to care for this creation **want to respectfully acknowledge the Cowlitz and Chinook People, who have stewarded this land throughout the generations.** We begin this effort to acknowledge what has been buried by honoring the truth. We are standing on the ancestral lands of the Cowlitz and Chinook People. We pay respects to their elders past and present. Please take a moment to consider the many legacies of violence, displacement, migration, and settlement that bring us together here today. And please join us in uncovering such truths.



St. Stephen's is a **reconciling, affirming, and inclusive Christian community** striving through worship, love and service to welcome all people just as God created you. No matter where you are on your journey of faith, and whether you are single, married, divorced, separated, or partnered, **our welcome knows no boundaries** of age, race, ethnicity, culture, political affiliation, gender, sexual orientation, economic condition, physical or mental ability. **We believe that God delights in the diversity of creation and so do we!**

Connect with Fr. Nic: Please leave your name and email/phone number and Fr. Nic will connect with you this week with an invitation to enjoy a cup of coffee on him!

Name:

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Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

The Hymnal 1982, #182

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and includes a piano accompaniment. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal staff with four parts and a piano staff. The lyrics are written below the vocal staves. The first system covers the first two lines of the hymn. The second system covers the next two lines. The third system covers the final line and ends with a double bar line. The piano accompaniment is written in a simple, supportive style, using chords and moving lines to provide harmonic support for the voices.

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

(Please be stand as able)

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

Christ 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.**

The empty tomb of Christ, Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Jerusalem



GLORY TO GOD MOST HIGH

Misa del Mundo
Jesse Manibusan

Refrain



Glo - ry! Glo - ry to God! Glo - ry
in the high - est! Glo - ry! Glo - ry to God!

1-5 **Final**
(repeat 1st & last time) 3



Glo-ry to God Most High! Glo-ry to God Most High!

Verse 1



1. O God, Ho - ly One, al-might - y God and Fa -
1. - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you
1. thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry!

Verse 2



2. O Lord, Je - sus Christ, Ho - ly One, Re-deem-
2. - er, Lord God, Lamb of
2. God, you take a - way the sin of the world.

Verse 3



3. You a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
3. you a - lone are the Most High
3. God, with the Spir - it in the glo - ry of God!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

(Please be seated for readings from Holy Scripture)

A Reading from Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

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

Psalm 150

1 Hallelujah!

Praise God in his holy temple; *

praise him in the firmament of his power.

2 Praise him for his mighty acts; *

praise him for his excellent greatness.

3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; *

praise him with lyre and harp.

**4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; *
praise him with strings and pipe.**

**5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; *
praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.**

**6 Let everything that has breath *
praise the Lord. Hallelujah!**

A Reading from Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

Gospel Procession (before reading) & Recession (after reading)
(Please stand as able)



The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ According to John 20:19-31
Glory to you, O Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of our Savior
Praise to you, O Christ.

Homily--Fr. Nic Mather

THE NICENE CREED

(Please stand as able)

**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.**

Crusader crosses carved into stone at the Church of the Holy
Sepulchre (site of Jesus' Death/Burial/Resurrection)



THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant: Let us pray that the results of Christ's resurrection may be seen throughout the world.

Reader: Lord God, our loving heavenly Father, we thank and praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Your Son, our Passover Lamb, has taken away the sin of the world. Forgive us and all people.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Your Son said, 'Peace be with you'. Bring your peace to the world and to our own country.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Your Son appeared to Mary Magdalene when she was weeping. Comfort those who are sad, lonely, or grieving.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Your Son met the women and asked them to tell the disciples about his resurrection. Guide Christians everywhere to witness to the resurrection in their lives.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Your Son proclaimed himself to the two disciples from the Scriptures and made himself known to them in the breaking of the bread. Reveal him to us and all people through the teaching of your word and the celebration of your holy meal.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Your Son strengthened the faith of Thomas by telling him to touch his hands and side. Reassure those who are troubled by doubts, and strengthen their faith in your goodness.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Your Son conquered death by his death and won the victory by his resurrection. Be with those who are dying, and lead them to life with you forever.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, grant that all who now celebrate these joyful holy days here on earth may finally praise you forever, with all the angels and saints in heaven. We ask this through your risen Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE & OFFERTORY

The Peace of the Risen Lord be with you and remain with you always.
Thanks be to God!

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his name, bring offerings and come into his courts.

Offertory Anthem--

For the Beauty of the Earth
by John Rutter
Castle Rock Men's Ensemble



The light shines through the open dome above the site of Jesus' resurrection from the tomb
Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Jerusalem

Worship Leaders

Celebrant--Fr. Nic Mather

Musician--Riki Davis

Acolyte--Juice Quiroz

Altar Guild--Becky Edmiston, Lisa Harrington

Reader--Katherine Beauregard, Mary Lyons

Chalice Bearer--John Edmiston

Greeter--Janice Stixrud

Usher--Greg Lopic

Verger--John Edmiston

Vestry Presence--Katherine Beauregard, Mary Lyons

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

(Please stand as able)

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 him thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks;
for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light
inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all
things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to
rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you
night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence,
they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and
giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you,
and glorify your Name, as we sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord [*Sanctus*]

Wonder Love and Praise, #858

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

The first system of the musical score is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written on a treble clef staff, and the bass line is on a bass clef staff. The lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and' are positioned below the treble staff.

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

The second system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics 'might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -' are positioned below the treble staff.

san - na in the high - est. * Bless - ed is he who comes

The third system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics 'san - na in the high - est. * Bless - ed is he who comes' are positioned below the treble staff.

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

The fourth system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics 'in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the' are positioned below the treble staff.

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The fifth system concludes the piece with a double bar line. The lyrics 'high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' are positioned below the treble staff.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember Phil, Nic, Michael, and all who minister in your Church. Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, matriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Stephen and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Fraction

Food Song

Ann Long/Kathleen Patton

$\text{♩} = 60$

This is the bread of life, _____ our lives, our gifts, our work, our

time, a liv - ing sac - ri - fice, _____ to be - come Christ's bo - dy.

Blest, bro - ken, giv - en back to us. _____ Food for the jour ney of life. _____

Life in you ser - vice.

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.

You are invited to come forward and receive Eucharist at this time. We will be sharing wine from a common chalice, so if you would prefer intinction please let the priest know so that they may intinct in a separate chalice reserved for this practice. Gluten free communion is available and a non-alcoholic option in place of the wine is also available upon request.

For those joining via Live-Stream:

A Prayer for a Person Unable to Take the Eucharist

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

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 now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Prayer for Eucharistic Visitor

We offer a prayer from our community to those who are unable to join us as we send the sacrament to them carried by a minister of the church

As you go to the sick and homebound, take with you not only the sacrament that we have celebrated, but also the Word of God which we have heard, as well as the affection of this parish community. Ask for the prayers of those whom you visit in return. Go, now, with God's peace and blessing. **AMEN.**

O Sons and Daughters



1. O sons and daugh - ters, let us sing!
2. That East - er morn, at break of day,
3. An an - gel clad in white they see,
4. That night the a - pos - tles met in fear;
5. When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard,
6. "My wound - ed side, O Thom - as, see;



The King of heav'n, the glo - rious King,
 The faith - ful wom - en went their way
 Who sat and spoke un - to the three,
 A - midst them came their Lord most dear,
 How they had seen the ris - en Lord,
 Be - hold my hands, my feet," said he;



O'er death to - day rose tri - umph - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay. Al - le - lu - ia!
 "Your Lord has gone to Gal - i - lee." Al - le - lu - ia!
 And said, "My peace be on all here." Al - le - lu - ia!
 He doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word. Al - le - lu - ia!
 "Not faith - less but be - liev - ing be." Al - le - lu - ia!

7. No longer Thomas then denied;
 He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
 "You are my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia!

8. How blest are they who have not seen,
 And yet whose faith has constant been,
 For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!

9. On this most holy day of days,
 To God your hearts and voices raise,
 In laud and jubilee and praise. Alleluia!

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

(Kneeling as able)

**Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

(You are invited to stand as able.)

**Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Closing Hymn--

Rise Up, O Church of God
arr Doris Hall
Castle Rock Men's Ensemble

Community Invitations:

Join the Castle Rock Men's Ensemble after Coffee Hour for a special short concert offering right here in the sanctuary!

Newcomers Class Launches Next Sunday, May 4!

If you are "new" to St. Stephen's (in the past year or two or more!) you are invited to join us for our spring newcomers class led by Mary Lyons. Each week you will have an opportunity to learn a little more about St. Stephen's, our mission and ministries, and the Episcopal Church as a whole. Join us after coffee hour each week, Sunday May 4/11/18!

ST. STEPHEN'S PRESENTS: Newcomers



MAY 4

MAY 11

MAY 18

JOIN US AFTER COFFEE HOUR ON THE FIRST THREE SUNDAYS IN MAY FOR "NEW" COMERS CLASS WHERE WE TALK ALL ABOUT ST. STEPHEN'S & THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH. OPEN TO ALL "NEW" COMERS.

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ST. STEPHEN'S NIGHT

15 MAY

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RESTAURANT & LOUNGE

7:30 PM



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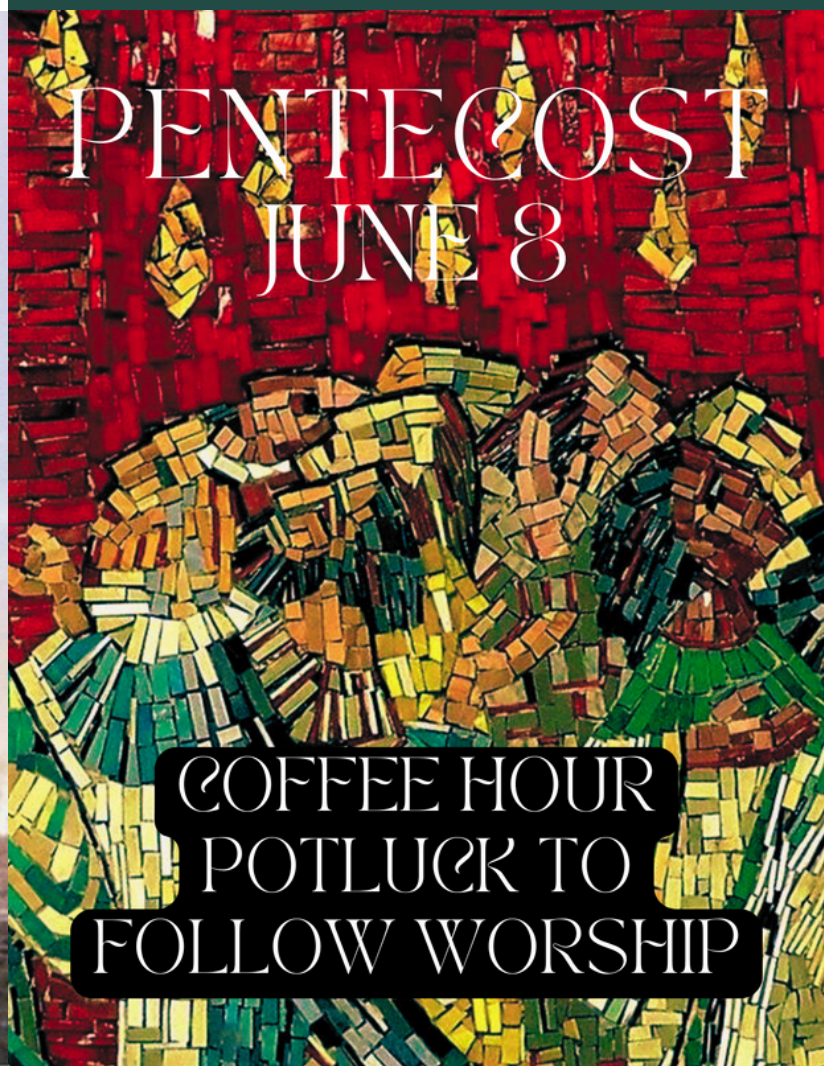


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