

The Fourth Sunday of Easter ~ May 11, 2025 ~ 10 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

Opening Hymn: LEVAS #109 "What a friend we have in Jesus"

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ is Risen

People: The Lord is Risen indeed, Alleluia

Glory to God #S-280

(Powell)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day: O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

The First Lesson: Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them.

Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reader: The Word of the Lord ***People: Thanks be to God***

The Psalm: Psalm 23 (KJV)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

**He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me
beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul;**

**He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for his Name's sake.**

**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.**

**Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my
head with oil; my cup runneth over.**

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

The Second Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

**“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne,
and to the Lamb!”**

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving
and honor and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel: John 10:22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My

sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord ***People: Praise to you, Lord Christ***

Sermon

The Rev. Ronald Kolanowski

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: 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.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: 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.

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will with God's help

Celebrant: Will you cherish the wonderful works of God and protect and restore the beauty and integrity of creation?

People: I will with God's help.

The Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows:

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. ***Amen.***

Prayers of the People [In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People may offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud].

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.
Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those who celebrate their birthdays this week: Tyler Perkins 5/11, Sam Forrest 5/12, Sandra Marshall 5/14 Lydia Myers 5/14, Judy Knowlton 5/17, and for those celebrating anniversaries.

Silence

I ask your prayers for, for all our parish family and especially those who have requested our prayers: Judy Knowlton, Stephen Mazzarelli, baby Eli, Steve Konopka, John Lumsden, Rosemarie, Fran, Len and Kim Begin, Nancy Kirkham, Sheila and those on our Continuing Prayer List.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. *Pray for those in any need or trouble.*

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

Presider: For what else shall we pray for this day?

Presider: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who opens our minds and hearts through the risen Christ. Hear our prayers that we offer in the hope of glory, and breathe upon us with your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen***

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Offertory Hymn #237 “Let us now our voices raise”

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

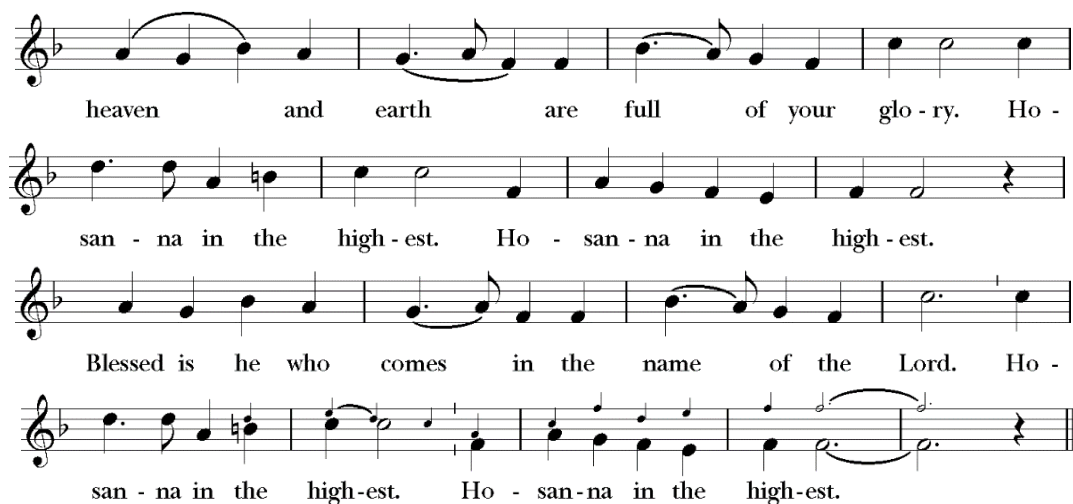
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy... Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus S-125 (Holy, Holy Lord)





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

The Lord's Prayer

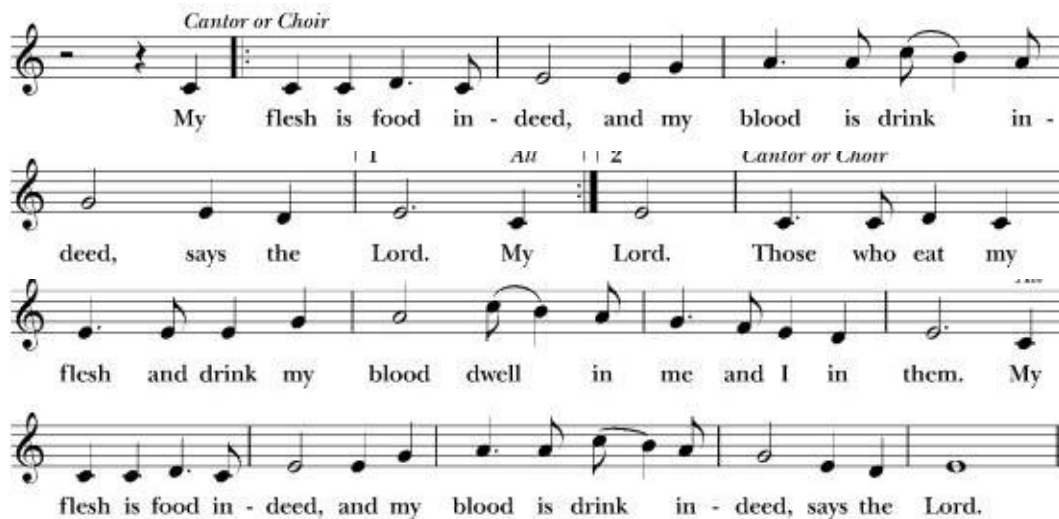
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The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem S-169



Communion

Communion Hymn: #645 "The King of Love my shepherd is"

Post Communion Prayer (*in unison*)

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The Blessing

Closing Hymn #523 "Glorious Things of thee are spoken"

Dismissal

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Prayers and Thanksgivings for May 11, 2025

The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by the Kraemer Family in honor of all our mothers.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Intentional Episcopal Communities in Connecticut, including the Episcopal Church at Yale, Seabury Retirement community, Haven community & All Saints; Parish prayer groups, intercessory prayer chains, healing prayer groups, parish & community bible studies; *The Anglican Church of Japan*.

We pray for our clergy: Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, the Presiding Bishop; Jeff & Laura, the Bishops of Connecticut; for our priest Fr. Ron; for our deacons Marge & Donna; and for all bishops, priests and deacons; clergy of ECCT whose ministry is carried out in other countries or dioceses.

We pray for those who celebrate their birthdays this week: Tyler Perkins 5/11, Sam Forrest 5/12, Sandra Marshall 5/14 Lydia Myers 5/14, Judy Knowlton 5/17, and for those celebrating anniversaries.

In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all our parish family and especially those who have requested our prayers: Stephen Mazzarelli, baby Eli, Judy Knowlton, Steve Konopka, John Lumsden,

Rosemarie, Fran, Len and Kim Begin, Nancy Kirkham, Sheila and those on our Continuing Prayer List.

We pray for the deceased. We pray especially for those who are remembered in the listing of memorials this Easter Season.

Continuing Prayer List

Peter and Barbara Farren, Andrew, Carolyn Aubin, Peggy Cobb and family, Adrian Mandeville, Neal, Gloria, Loretta, Tim O'Shea, Bill Baldwin, Judy, Robin, Brenda, Richard Taylor, Jim, Lydia, David Rigby, Judy Knox, June Beauvais; Star, Norm, Bill Houle, Aimee Goodrich, Cara Begin, Justin, Derek Anderson, Janet Nixon, Bill D., Steve Dubin, Ryan, Roberto Rodegher, Marlin Corbean; Brian; Kathryn & Olivia; Caroline, Ron Lamp, Lou and Heidi Schluntz, Ambrosio Vidal & Family, Rina Bettancourt; Susan Hicks & family, Ella & Nicole, Jeannette Farren & Family; Noel, Daryl.

On Going Activities

- Balance Class: Mondays 10:15 a.m. \$5 per session.
- Cub Scouts: 1st Mondays 5:30-7 p.m.
- Hebron Greater Together Community Fund: 3rd Tuesdays 6-8 pm
- Buildings & Grounds: first Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
- Boy Scouts: Wednesdays, 7 p.m. 10
- Vestry: Third Thursdays, 6 p.m.

Up & Coming

The next Community Dinner will be our delicious stuffed, baked chicken breasts on May 17th. There is always need for helpers to do the kitchen prep., packing the dinners and being carhops. If you've never helped out at the dinners before, try it out. We'd love to welcome you. It is fun! There will be sign-up sheets in the church or call Marcia Eaton 860-614-7202



Gifts Given in Memory of Loved Ones

Pamela & Tom Atwood

**Frost "Nanny" Krist,
Walter "Mac" Aldrich**

Judith Banks

**John Banks & the Banks McGovern
& Veillette families**

Trisha Beatty & George Dagon

Susan Beatty

Carolyn Bouchard

Her friend Joanna

Claire Bracaglia

**Henry Lindert, Henry Jones, Helen
Wason, Phyllis Meshanic**

Jane Chalmers

**Catherine Palmer; Marie & Bill
Bruneau**

Betty Close

Peter Byram

Georgette & Clyde Conrad, Jr.

**Odina, Ethel, Shirley & Louise
Domingue, Clyde Conrad Sr., Lillian
& Raymond Conrad**

Henry & Joyce Dombrowski

**Henry & Betty Dombrowski; John
& Angie Banulski; Judy, David &
Dave Martin**

Marcia & Chuck Eaton

**Barbara, George, Georgia, Jack, Lee
& Pam Potterton; Harrison, Ethel,
Harry & John Eaton**

The Eells Family	Clarence & Terry Michaud, Bonnie Eells
Stephen & Victoria Fisk	Stephen's parents; family and pets in heaven
The Forest Family	George W. Clark and Walter S. Forrest
Chris & Cathy Gerke	Ralph & Elizabeth Gerke John & Elizabeth McCashland
Adam B. Green	BettyLou Mokoski Judith Lynn Green
Maryann Hickelton	Marion Trudelle
Gayle Kataja	Peter C. Kataja, Kyle P. Buttice, Merle N. & G., Earl Porter, Natalie & Claude Jones
Kathy Kniep	Jeanne & Robert Wessman; Paul LeBreton, Blanche & Evangeline Kniep
Judy Knowlton	Douglas A. Knowlton, Donna Knowlton
Ron Kolanowski	Mel & Helen Hiltabidel, Art & Helen Kolanowski, Lori Kolanowski, Art Engler, Sr.
Steve Konopka	The Konopka Family
The Kraemer family	Robert Bork

Daniel & Patricia Larson	Bishop Morgan Porteus, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Porteus Middlemass
Mary Latour	Richard T. Hagenow
Cathie & Ray Litwin	Gene Baker
John Loge	Frances Jean Loge, Beverly Jane Sandefur, Judith Marion Gray, Stuart Edgar Power
Lynda Majewski	Paul Louis Arruda
Darlene McDonald & Deb Wilson	David & Velma McDonald, Charleen McDonald, Larry McDonald; John & Anita Wilson
Barbara & Steve Mondrach	Robert & MaryAnn Siegle; Steve & EmmyLou Mondrach
Marianne Moore	Nelson, Kenneth, Maitland Moore & Don Savino
The Myers Family	P. Hamilton & Ruth Myers; Tom & Martha Bombaci
Liz & Alex Nelson	Alison Nelson
The O'Shea Family	Jean & Ray Baldwin, Carbery & Genevieve O'Shea, Genevieve Alexander, I Fletcher, Christine Morrison, Sean O'Shea, Juanita & Jack Alden

The Osmond Family

Cleo & Doris Wandling, John & Mildred Osmond, John B. Osmond, John C. Osmond

John & Susan Ostrout

Elmer H. Ostrout, Sr., Dorothy R. Ostrout, William Murray, Shirley Murray, Edward Murray

Barbara Parkyn

Family and friends

Steve Platz

**Judy, Ed & Linda Platz
Henry & Evelyn Dickinson**

**Chris & Chad Raasumaa-
Boots**

Our grandparents

Kim & Brian Reed

G. Earl & Merle N. Porter; Kyle P. Buttice

Fran & Lino Rodegher

Sandra & Carmela Guglielmi, Lino, Livio & Gianfranco Rodegher

Amy Stone

Family Friends & Pets

Lianie Unterzuber

Anastasios Philippou, Dee Urban, Mary Jo Keenan

John Viklinetz

Helen Viklinetz

Stephen Wells

Carol A. Wells

Stephanie Wheeler

Russell Wheeler, Jr.; Joyce Leombruno

Gifts given in Honor of Loved Ones

Stephen & Victoria Fisk Family and friends here and abroad

The Forrest Family Ryan Clark and Our Armed Forces



**The Paschal Candle was given by Leonard Babin in
memory of his wife Judi.**