

Welcome

We are pleased to have you worship with us this morning! We hope that your spiritual life is deepened today.

Please join us for coffee and refreshments in the church hall following worship.

Nursery care and Sunday School up to age 12 is available in the parish hall. Children will rejoin their parents after the Peace.

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GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Feeding you, body, mind and soul

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: MAY 25, 2014



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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn 182

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

Opening Acclamation and Prayer

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Gloria in excelsis

Hymnal S-280

**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.**

Prayer of the Day

Response: **And also with you.**

Acts 17:22-31

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 66:8-20

Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip.

For you, O God, have proved us; *
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

You brought us into the snare; *
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water; *
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will pay you my vows, *
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
with the smoke of rams; *
I will give you oxen and goats.

Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for me.

I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue.

If I had found evil in my heart, *
the Lord would not have heard me;

But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
nor withheld his love from me.

1 Peter 3:13-22

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 205, v. 1 *Good Christians all, rejoice and sing*

John 14:15-21

First response: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Second response: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Jason Wells

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

Response: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Offertory

Altar flowers are given by Aini Johnson-Yuskaitis for the praise and glory of God's Name and in memory of our military men and women.

Hymn 174 *At the Lamb's high feast we sing*

Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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.

Holy, holy, holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Memorial Acclamation

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread (8am)

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Breaking of the Bread (10am) Hymnal 880, v.1

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us;
Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast.
Forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Altar. If you come to the rail and cross your arms over your chest, you may receive a blessing instead of Communion.

If you would like to be baptized, please speak to the Rev. Jason Wells as soon as possible for scheduling.

Hymn *Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo*

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Closing Prayer

Let us pray.
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.

Blessing

Hymn 199 *Come, ye faithful, raise the strain*

Dismissal

EASTER LASTS FOR FIFTY DAYS

Week of Sunday, May 25: The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist8am, Church
Holy Eucharist10am, Church
Choir Rehearsal..... 11:15am, Church
Fairly Social11am, Parish Hall
New Member Lunch.....Noon, Parish Hall

Ascension Thursday, May 29 You are invited to a Festival Eucharist at 7pm at St. John's Church in Dunbarton at 270 Stark Highway North (Route 13) to worship with Episcopalians from Dunbarton, Hopkinton, Concord and Weare!

Week of Sunday, June 1: The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist8am, Church
Pastoral Care Committee9am, Parish Hall
Holy Eucharist10am, Church
Choir Rehearsal..... 11:15am, Church

Confirmation Service at 3pm on June 1 at St. John's Church in Portsmouth (101 Chapel St.). We will send five parishioners to Bishop Rob for confirmation, so come and celebrate with them!

Week of Sunday, June 8: Day of Pentecost

Holy Eucharist8am, Church
Community Life Committee9am, Parish Hall
Holy Eucharist10am, Church

PARISH APPRECIATION COOKOUT: JUNE 8

Celebrate 3 graduations + Celebrate our Community Life Volunteers + Celebrate end of the Sunday School year



Our own Olivia Dodd will attend the British American Drama Academy's Midsummer in Oxford program this summer: "I am ecstatic to be going—it's exactly what I wanted, a program where I could train and work hard, and be pushed to the edges of my comfort zone." Learn more about Olivia or support her with a donation at: stowdodd.wix.com/oliviadodd

PRAYER NEEDS

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
St. Andrew's-in-the-Valley,
Tamworth

Requests

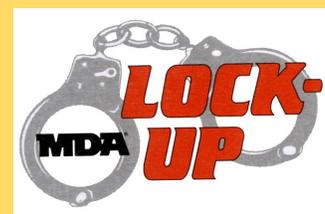
Tom, Linda Makee, V. Johnson, JoAnn, David and Levi

Birthdays this Week

Melanie Seavey

TAKE-A-TOTE

We have only three more deliveries to make before the school year ends. Please help with these items: **Macaroni and Cheese** in either the microwaveable Styrofoam containers (sold 4-6 per package) or a box containing individual packages of macaroni to boil and sauce to stir in. Make sure the box doesn't contain 6 complete dinner boxes.



MDA LOCKUP

As of Tuesday, May 20, you along with other friends and family donated \$2,435 toward Father Jason's "bail" for the MDA lockup. That exceeds the requested \$2,400 bail!

Thank you for your generosity! These donations will fund 3 summer campers or many hours of research!