



**The Seventh Sunday of Easter  
June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025  
10:45 am**

**First Opening Song**

*Heart of Worship*

**When the music fades all is stripped away  
And I simply come  
Longing just to bring something  
that's of worth  
That will bless Your heart**

**I'll bring You more than a song  
For a song in itself is not what  
You have required  
You search much deeper within  
Through the way things appear  
You're looking into my heart**

**I'm coming back to the heart of worship  
And it's all about You all about You Jesus  
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it  
When it's all about You all about You Jesus**

**King of endless worth no one could express  
How much You deserve  
Though I'm weak and poor  
all I have is Yours  
Ev'ry single breath**

**I'll bring You more than a song  
For a song in itself is not what  
You have required  
You search much deeper within  
Through the way things appear  
You're looking into my heart**

**I'm coming back to the heart of worship  
And it's all about You all about You Jesus  
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it  
When it's all about You all about You Jesus!**

**Second Opening Song**

*Blessed Be Your Name*

**As morning dawns and evening fades  
You inspire songs of praise  
That rise from earth to touch Your heart  
And glorify Your Name**

**Your Name is a strong and mighty tower  
Your Name is a shelter like no other  
Your Name, let the nations sing it louder  
'Cause nothing has the power to save  
But Your Name**

**Jesus, in Your Name we pray  
Come and fill our hearts today**

**Lord give us strength to live for You  
And glorify Your Name**

**Your Name is a strong and mighty tower  
Your Name is a shelter like no other  
Your Name, let the nations sing it louder  
'Cause nothing has the power to save**

**But Your Name is a strong and mighty tower  
Your Name is a shelter like no other  
Your Name, let the nations sing it louder  
'Cause nothing has the power to save  
But Your Name**

## Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

*People* **The Lord is Risen indeed!**

## Alleluia! Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

## First Reading

*Acts 16:16-34*

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi of Macedonia, a Roman colony, and as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 97**

- 1. The Lord is King;  
let the earth rejoice; \*  
let the multitude of the isles be glad.**
- 2. Clouds and darkness are round about him, \*  
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.**
- 3. A fire goes before him \*  
and burns up his enemies on every side.**
- 4. His lightnings light up the world; \*  
the earth sees it and is afraid.**
- 5. The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, \*  
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.**
- 6. The heavens declare his righteousness, \*  
and all the peoples see his glory.**
- 7. Confounded be all who worship carved images  
and delight in false gods! \*  
Bow down before him, all you gods.**
- 8. Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, \*  
because of your judgments, O Lord.**
- 9. For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; \*  
you are exalted far above all gods.**
- 10. The Lord loves those who hate evil; \*  
he preserves the lives of his saints and  
delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**
- 11. Light has sprung up for the righteous, \*  
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.**
- 12. Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, \*  
and give thanks to his holy Name.**

### **Second Reading**

*Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21*

“See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. “It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.” The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.” And let everyone who hears say, “Come.” And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

<i>Reader</i>	Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
<i>People</i>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

## Gospel Song

*Thy Word*

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path  
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path**

**When I feel afraid  
And I think I've lost my way  
Still You're there right beside me  
Nothing will I fear**

**As long as You are near  
Please be near me to the end**

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path  
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path**

## The Gospel

*John 17:20-26*

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said, "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Gladstone "Skip" Adams, III

## The Creed

*We Believe*

**We believe in God the Father  
We believe in Jesus Christ  
We believe in the Holy Spirit And He's given us new life  
We believe in the crucifixion  
We believe that He conquered death  
We believe in the resurrection And He's coming back again  
We believe  
Let the lost be found and the dead be raised  
In the here and now let love invade  
Let the church live loud our God will save  
We believe we believe  
We believe in God the Father  
We believe in Jesus Christ  
We believe in the Holy Spirit And He's given us new life  
We believe**

## **The Prayers of the People**

*All are invited to sit kneel or stand for our prayers honoring our outreach ministry.*

*Leader* Loving God, we thank you for all those who dedicate themselves to the outreach ministry of St. James'. We recognize their commitment, generosity of spirit, and willingness to use their gifts for your kingdom. Lord in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We pray that those who work intimately with those in need may feel the presence of God, having ears to hear, hearts to discern, and hands that are willing to meet the needs of those around us who are suffering. Lord in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Compel us to be generous with our talents and our time. That in doing so we may live more fully into our promises made to You to respect the dignity of every human being. Lord in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We pray for those who we meet in our time of donating and volunteering. That their needs may be met and that we may show them that they are beloved child of God. Lord in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Clergy* God without us will not; we without God cannot.  
Christ has no body but ours,  
No hands, no feet on earth but ours,  
Ours are the eyes with which he looks compassion on this world,  
Ours are the feet with which he walks to do good,  
Ours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.  
Ours are the hands, ours are the feet,  
Ours are the eyes, we are his body.  
Christ has no body now but ours, No hands, no feet on earth but ours,  
Ours are the eyes with which he looks compassion on this world.  
Christ has no body now on earth but ours.

## **The Peace**

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

*People* **And also with you.**

## **Announcements**

## Anniversary & Birthday Blessings

*All*

**May the strength of God pilot you, May the power of God preserve you, May the wisdom of God instruct you, May the hand of God protect you, May the way of God direct you, May the shield of God guard you against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world. May the Spirit of God bless you in the coming year.**

*Adapted from Patrick, c.389*

*- c.46*

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## Offertory

*Spirit of the Living God*

## The Great Thanksgiving

*EOW Prayer II*

*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*

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time, you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so, this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

*All*

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to

complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with St. James' and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

*All*        **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**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

A period of silence is kept.

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People*     **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

*The sacrament is given to the people.*

### **Music at Communion**

*Jesus Paid It All*

### **The Postcommunion Prayer**

*All*

**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**

**We've waited for this day  
We're gathered in Your Name  
Calling out to You  
Your glory like a fire awakening desire  
Will burn our hearts with truth**

**You're the reason we're here  
You're the reason we're singing  
Open up the heavens we want to see You  
Open up the floodgates a mighty river  
Flowing from Your heart  
Filling every part of our praise**

**Your presence in this place  
Your glory on our face  
We're looking to the sky  
Descending like a cloud  
You're standing with us now  
Lord unveil our eyes**

**You're the reason we're here  
You're the reason we're singing  
Open up the heavens we want to see You  
Open up the floodgates a mighty river  
Flowing from Your heart  
Filling every part of our praise**

**Show us show us Your glory  
Show us show us Your power  
Show us show us Your glory Lord  
Show us show us Your glory  
Show us show us Your power  
Show us show us Your glory Lord**

**Open up the heavens we want to see You  
Open up the floodgates a mighty river  
Flowing from Your heart  
Filling every part of our praise!**

The Dismissal is given by the Celebrant, and the People respond, **'Thanks be to God! Alleluia!'**

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