

All Angels Episcopal Church



**Shout with joy to the Lord, all you peoples;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**

Psalm 98:5

May 5, 2024



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
 *2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
 *3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
 4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
 2 loft, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
 3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
 4 way, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
 2 morn, with praise re - jice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
 3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:

Refrain

O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Holy God,
 Holy and Mighty,
 Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons *Please be seated for the reading of the lessons.*

A reading from the Book of the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 10:44-48

[Peter was told by the Spirit to go to the house of Cornelius, a centurion and one who was held in high esteem by the Jewish people, although he and his household were gentiles. When Peter arrived, Cornelius told him all about a vision of an angel he recently experienced. Peter was astonished and said he now understands that God shows no partiality and that the Holy Spirit has been poured out for all people.]
While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell on everyone who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles. They heard them speaking in other languages and praising God. Peter asked, “These people have received the Holy Spirit just as we have. Surely no one can stop them from being baptized with water, can they?” He directed that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited Peter to stay for several days.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Today’s psalm is 98.

Please respond where bold.

Ps. 98

Sing to the Lord a new song,

for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm

has he won for himself the victory.

The Lord has made known his victory;

is righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,

and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you peoples;

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp,

with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn

shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it,

the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands,

and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,

when he comes to judge the earth.

In righteousness shall he judge the world

and the peoples with equity.

A reading from the First Letter of John

1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born from God. Whoever loves someone who is a parent loves the child born to the parent. This is how we know that we love the children of God: when we love God and keep God’s commandments. This is the love of God: we keep God’s commandments. God’s commandments are not

difficult, because everyone who is born from God defeats the world. And this is the victory that has defeated the world: our faith. Who defeats the world? Isn't it the one who believes that Jesus is God's Son?

This is the one who came by water and blood: Jesus Christ. Not by water only but by water and blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn *Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks*

1982 Hymnal #178

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the
ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give
Praise to his Name.
I Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of cre - a - tion. *Repeat Refrain*

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

Glory to you Lord Christ.

John 15:9-17

Jesus said: "As the Father loved me, I too have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy will be in you and your joy will be complete. This is my commandment: love each other just as I have loved you. No one has greater love than to give up one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I don't call you servants any longer, because servants don't know what their master is doing. Instead, I call you friends, because everything I heard from my Father I have made known to you. You didn't choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you could go and produce fruit and so that your fruit could last. As a result, whatever you ask the Father in my name, he will give you. I give you these commandments so that you can love each other.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*

1982 Hymnal #178

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give Praise to his Name.

Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior.

Please remain seated and follow along as the choir sings this beautiful hymn

Refrain



God is love, and where true love is



God him - self is there. there.

1 Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing.
 2 When we Chris - tians gath - er, mem - bers of one Bo - dy,
 3 Grant us love's ful - fill - ment, joy with all the bless - ed,



Christ, our love, is with us, glad - ness be his greet - ing.
 let there be in us no dis - cord but one spi - rit.
 when we see your face, O Sa - vior, in its glo - ry.



Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.
 Ban - ished now be an - ger, strife and ev - ery quar - rel.
 Shine on us, O pur - est Light of all cre - a - tion,

Repeat Refrain



Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.
 Christ, our God, be al - ways pres - ent here a - mong us.
 be our bliss while end - less a - ges sing your prais - es.

The Nicene Creed *(The word "catholic" means universal or global body of Christian believers)*

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.

The Prayers of the People *(Please stand or kneel or sit as you are able)*

Let us pray to God on behalf of the Church, the world, and all people.

A brief silence

Sing to the Lord a new song,

for he has done marvelous things.

Bless your Church so that we may abide in your love and love others as you love us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,

and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

Lead this congregation to abide with you through all the varied changes in life.

Help all who doubt. Give peace to those whose faith has been shaken by tragedy.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The poor shall eat and be satisfied

and those who seek the Lord shall praise him.

We remember before you all those who suffer with chronic medical conditions, especially Downs IV, Holden, Anne, Victoria, Kim, Michael, Barbara, Lorraine, Maria Christine, Caitlin, Amelia, Dennis, and Alice. Guide them and us along the right pathways for your Name's sake. Help those recovering from injury, especially Agie.

We pray for Turning Points, Manatee Food Bank, and all those who feed others.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give comfort to all who receive the care of skilled nursing, especially Timothy, Barbara, Kim, Lou and Ann. Give peace to those going through cancer treatments, and those in remission, especially, Margaret, Downs III, Victoria, Alex, Connie, Douglas, Frank, Gerta, Lauren, Jennifer, TJ, Jim, Stephanie, Cara, Todd and Nancy.

We pray for those in Hospice that they will have comfort in you, especially Mary Jo.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Kingship belongs to the Lord;

The Lord rules over the nations.

Bless those who protect us both at home and abroad with peace and strength. Bring your peace to the whole world, especially in Gaza, Israel and Ukraine. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;

all who go down to the dust fall before him.

Give peace to those whom we love but see no longer. Wipe away the tears of all who grieve. Bring us with peace into your house where we will dwell with you for ever.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: O Lord, hear our prayers and strengthen and help us, that in our daily life walk with you, we serve you in all quietness of spirit; through Jesus Christ our Master. **Amen.**

The Confession is traditionally omitted during the season of Easter.

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Greetings, Announcements and Introductions

Offertory Anthem *Sing a New Song to the Lord* Natalie Sleeth arr. Jean Anne Shafferman

Come and rejoice, lift up your voice; sing a new song to the Lord! Harmonies fair filling the air, sing a new song to the Lord! Let one and all answer the call; music and melody raise, God to adore for evermore with joyful anthems of praise!

Come, chant with delight canticles bright to God Almighty! Sing songs of good cheer, echoing clear to God the Lord! Now instruments bring, trumpet and string, this day of days, the Lord God to adore forevermore with songs of praise!

With thanks, O God, for blessings all, our heritage we now recall; with grateful hearts we pledge anew to sing your song our whole life through.

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The Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise him all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Praise him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

The Holy Eucharist Prayer B

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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 God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow - er and might,
 Heav'n 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, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please sit or kneel or remain standing as you are able.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
 We proclaim his resurrection,
 We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

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

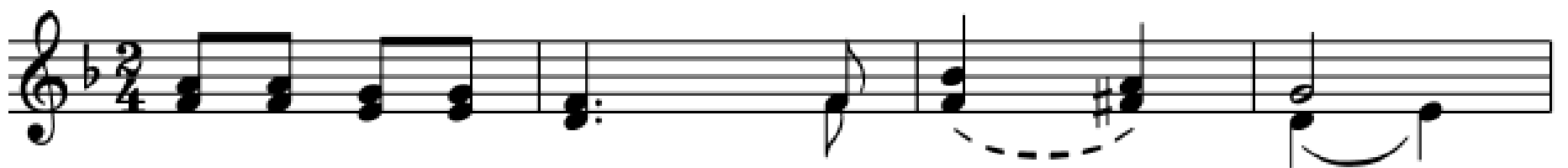
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Jesus invites everyone to meet him here. If you would like to receive the bread or a blessing, please come forward. If you would prefer to have communion brought to you, please let one of the ushers know and we will bring it to you.

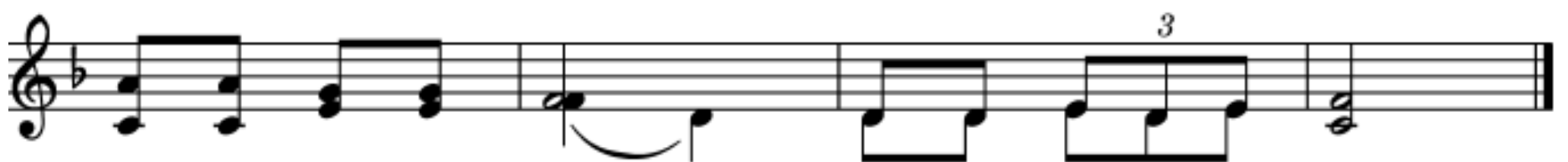
Communion Hymn

Ubi Caritas

Enriching Our Music #149



U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
 Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love,



u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.
 live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you.

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing



1 O Love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal
 2 O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous Love, we read thee
 3 We read thee best in him who came to bear for
 4 We read thy power to bless and save e'en in the



and yet ev - er new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -
 in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -
 us the cross of shame, sent by the Fa - ther from on
 dark - ness of the grave; still more in re - sur - rec - tion



bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all thought.
 low, in seas that swell and streams that flow.
 high, our life to live, our death to die.
 light we read the full - ness of thy might.

The Dismissal

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

Postlude

Postlude on "Dunedin"

DLS

New to All Angels? Welcome! Be sure to sign the guest registry in the lobby.



Flower Dedication

The flowers today are given by Ginny and Ed Upshaw

for Ethan and Mackenzie and the blessings of the covenant of marriage.

That we all may love, honor and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience,
 in wisdom and true godliness, that our homes may be havens of blessings and peace.



Today's presenters

BJ Bishop, Tina McGrath — Chalice
Justus Doenecke — Lector
Ginny Upshaw — Prayers
Dave Bishop, Patrick McGrath — Ushers
Elijah Marshall — A/V tech
Scott Wuesthoff — Zoom host
Nancy Boyd — Altar Guild
Beverly Henry — Flowers
Cathie Wilt — Offering Counters
Paula Norwood & Allen McGee — Coffee Hour

David Stasney — Organist
The Rev. David J. Marshall

Vestry

Barbara Pickrell, *Senior Warden*
Brian Davis, *Junior Warden*
Sandy Wood, *Treasurer*
Cade Sibley
Ginny Upshaw
David Bishop
Donna Henkel
Larry Elder
Reuben Fernandez
Hank Kochan

The Rev. David J. Marshall,
Rector

Announcements

Gallery Artist Our featured artist for May is iconographer Christine Hales. Please stop by and enjoy the work of this talented local artist. Checks should be written to All Angels by the Sea.

Men's and Women's Discussion Group Men's Discussion group, 10:00 on Tuesdays; Women's Discussion Group, 10:00 on Wednesdays. Both groups in person and via Zoom.

Coffee Hour Host One of the most important things we do is gather after the service for coffee hour. If you are interested in hosting, the sign up sheet is on the Gallery table. If you would like help, sign up and we will find someone to show you how it is done.

Centering Prayer Centering Prayer invites you to pray with them, every day, at 8 am, wherever you are. When you enter into prayer at 8 am (Eastern), you will know that others are praying at the same time.

Birthdays & Anniversaries If you have a birthday or anniversary coming up next month, please email Linn Torres at lt@allangelslbk.org

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Our mission is to bring the living Christ to those
inside and outside the church.

Reflection

The Final Final

My son Ethan has taken his final final – it is his last exam to achieve his undergraduate degree. Prior to this week, I gave him some advice. I did not savor my final final. During the exam, it dawned on me that this was it. There are no other exams, or tests, or papers due. A weird feeling stirred in my stomach – both joy and grief, hopeful expectation, and as if I was falling off a cliff. I asked Ethan to take time this week to ponder his entire educational career. And, as such, I am doing that now.

Ethan's first teacher was Ms. Cathy at Head Start at Christ Episcopal Church, Alameda California. An inspiring woman of African descent who loved all her students as if they were her own children, who had strict rules to follow, and a heart big enough to swallow up the entire city block. She put Ethan on the right path for inquisitive learning, knowledge, and care for others. After graduation from seminary, we were called back to our home diocese. He enrolled in the Lutheran Academy of the Master in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. As a "LAM" they taught extensively about Jesus our great shepherd. Again, he had a fantastic teacher who gave the children a thirst for knowledge and a caring heart for those around them.

When the Spirit called, we moved to the San Diego area during his kindergarten year. He enrolled in a public school; it was a difficult environment for him. It wasn't clicking the way Head Start and LAM did. I shared this with my bishop. That conversation led me to accept his invitation to lead and serve at Saint John's Episcopal Church and School (pre-k through 8th grade). Although this was by far the hardest pastoral assignment I had received, it was the best academic environment for Ethan. Starting in 4th grade, Christi and I watched him come out of his shell. Episcopal education is special and so were his teachers. They challenged, encouraged, pushed, and rewarded him. He was the salutatorian at his 8th grade graduation. From there he attended a Roman Catholic High School and continued to excel.

Halfway through his sophomore year, the Spirit called again – this time to southwest Florida. He said goodbye to his San Diego friends and started the spring semester at Bradenton Christian School. He remarked that the teaching style from a Catholic school to BCS was substantially different, but he excelled with the diversity of style. At BCS, four years ago, he met Mackenzie, his soon-to-be wife. During his time at BCS, the world struggled through a global pandemic. Yet, Ethan found that he could thrive in an online environment. After graduating with honors, he started his freshman year at the University of South Florida at the Sarasota campus. Over the last three years, Ethan has taken classes at all three USF campuses. They say one's GPA normally drops a full point in college. Ethan's has not. In fact, from my perspective, many of his classes seemed easy when compared to his rigorous High School experience. One thing Christi and I observed was that Ethan was way ahead of many of his classmates when it came to academic preparation and performance.

I have felt guilty for moving-with-ministry because it interrupted his academic life. Yet, as I reflect on his final final, I can see that he has learned how to adapt to changing scholastic situations. Moving from one USF campus to another did not faze him. As you can imagine, I am more proud of him than I am able to express. I am thankful for Ms. Cathy and all of his teachers who have helped him along his journey. This is probably not his last final in academia. But it is a life-changing, permanent step that he has taken. I thank God that I have the privilege of walking with this amazing man and calling him my son who has taught me about love, connection, and has given me a thirst for knowledge and helping others.

- Fr. Dave