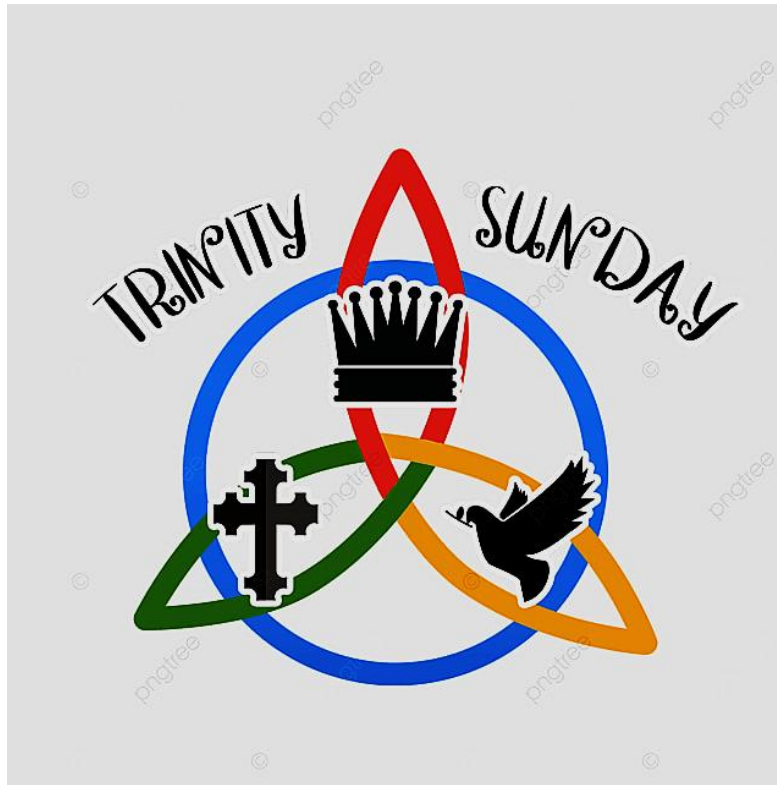


ST ALBANS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
TRINITY SUNDAY



SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026
9:00AM

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Welcome Newcomers!

We are blessed to have you with us today. Please sign our newcomer's book at the back of the church, introduce yourself to the priest, and join us for coffee hour in the Parish Hall immediately after the service, just across the courtyard.

Our hope is that you find a home among us, in a place where the love of God is shared, the mystery of grace is experienced, and the joy and laughter of the Christian life is taught.

To learn more about St. Alban's call the office at (619) 444-8212 or email us at: generalbusiness@stalbanschurch.info. Also, check out our website at www.st-albans-church.org.

To the Parents of Our Young Children

We are so glad you are here! We know how challenging it can be to get a family out the door to come to church. We hope you can relax and receive the gifts of God that are here for you today. Please don't worry about squirming children or crying babies. All are welcome here. If you feel you must leave the service with your child, please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me." We want them to know they are at home in this house of worship.

To All Worshippers

The presence of those with special needs is a gift to us and the Church. Please welcome all children and give their parents a smile of encouragement. Please greet those with special needs and their families, helping them to know they are valued and accepted in our community. Please introduce yourself to someone you do not know.

Thank you for being the welcoming Body of Christ!

PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers: Ahlam Westeen, Amanda & family, Angelynn Than & family, Bernice & Grace, Bob & family, Branda Moua, Chris Miller & family, Christine Peters, friends & family of David Webb, Diaa, Don Mitchell, Dyvid Elias, Eileen McMillen, Gavin Bishop, George Elia & Ibtisam Bashee, Georgina & Phil Loveless, Helen Mallancy, Hilda Ro & family, Jamal Shorees, Jason Longsworth, Joy Bishop, Judith Taylor, Judy Brown, Kent Crothers, Laurie Ibanez, Mike & Molly, Mike & Penny Park, Marion Weist & family, Mu Tay, Pa Lae, Ricardo, the Rodriguiz family, Samir Matta, Shae Paw & Lily, and Vivien.

Pray for those serving in the military: Barnes, Christopher Ibanez, Joshua Ibanez, Clarence Thompkins, David Longsworth, Donovan Burns, Jacob Swerdfeger, Lindzy Macias, Phoenix Locken, Riley McMillen, Travis Warner, and Xavier Arthurs.

We pray for peace in the Holy Land most especially for our Christian brothers and sisters in Ukraine, Haiti, Myanmar (known as Burma), Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India, Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Egypt, Pakistan, Tunisia, Eritrea, Yemen, Nigeria, Somalia, Israel and Palestine, and all places on the earth where people are in danger and treated unfairly, who are suffering deprivation, torture, and death for confessing Christ as their Lord.

In our Diocesan cycle of prayer: We give thanks today for the clergy and people of All Souls in San Diego.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we give thanks today for Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.

Prayer Requests: To make a request or to update requests, please call the St Alban's office: 619-444-8212, or email: generalbusiness@stalbanschurch.info. You are also invited to add a prayer request in the narthex to be read in our Sunday public prayers. We can also receive prayer requests through our website: www.st-albans-church.org



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The Word of God

Prelude

Welcome

Please rise in body or spirit.

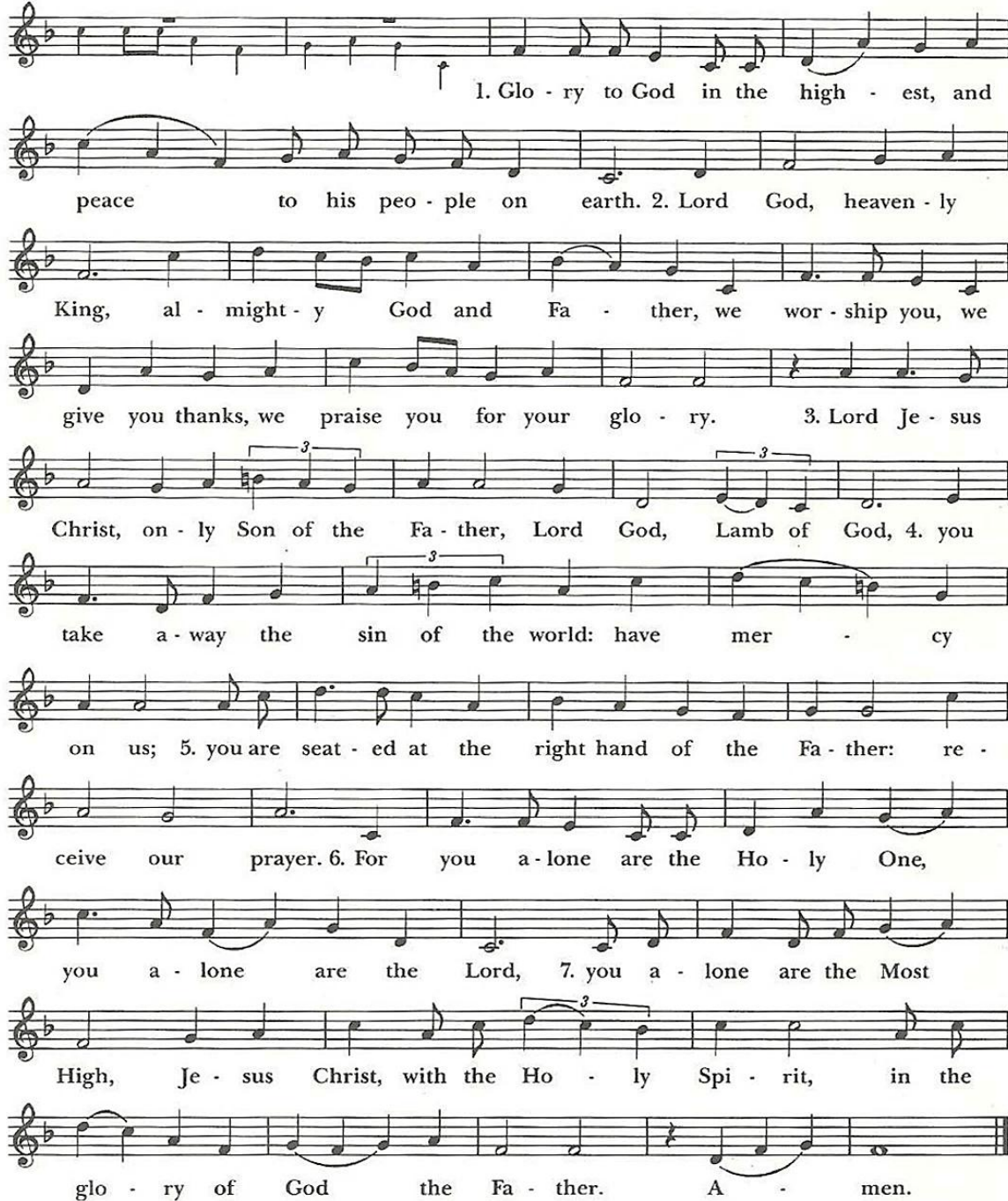
Opening Hymn – Hymnal 684, “Oh for a Closer Walk With God”

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Gloria – S280



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.

The Collect of the Day –

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given to us Your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of Your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see You in Your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, forever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

A period of silence is kept.

The Lessons

The First Lesson – Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Lector: A reading from the book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that He had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all the work that He had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that He had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Read responsively by verse.

Psalm 8

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| 1 O LORD our Governor, * how exalted is Your Name in all the world! | 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; * You adorn him with glory and honor; |
| 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children * Your majesty is praised above the heavens. | 7 You give him mastery over the works of Your hands; * You put all things under his feet: |
| 3 You have set up a stronghold against Your adversaries, * to quell the enemy and the avenger. | 8 All sheep and oxen, * even the wild beasts of the field, |
| 4 When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, * the moon and the stars You have set in their courses, | 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, * and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea. |
| 5 What is man that You should be mindful of him? * the son of man that You should seek him out? | 10 O LORD our Governor, * how exalted is Your Name in all the world! |

The Second Reading – 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Lector: A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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

Sequence Music – LEV 85, “Let All that is Within Me Cry Holy”

Let all that is within me cry, “Holy!”
Let all that is within me cry, “Holy!”
Holy! Holy! Holy is the Lamb that was slain.

The Gospel —Matthew 28:16-20 (Reading in Arabic)

Sequence Music – LEV 85, “Let All that is Within Me Cry Holy”

The Gospel – Matthew 28:16-20 ((Reading in English)

Celebrant: The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People: **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

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

Sequence Music – LEV 85, “Let All that is Within Me Cry Holy”

Sermon – The Rev. Dr. Richard Vevia, Jr.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Lord Christ, You became flesh and dwelled among us and through Your Holy Spirit You dwell among us still.
Use Word and Sacrament this day to help us know this truth more deeply in our hearts
and live its reality more fully in our lives. **Amen.**

Sequence Music – LEV 85, “Let All that is Within Me Cry Holy”

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Please rise in body or spirit and join me in saying the Nicene Creed.

The Nicene Creed

All say together.

**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

Intercessor: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

Intercessor: For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For **Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda**. With thanksgiving, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For the clergy and people of **All Souls in San Diego**. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For **Sean our presiding bishop, Susan our bishop, Richard our priest-in-charge**, and for all bishops, priests and deacons, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For **President Donald Trump; Governor Gavin Newsom; Mayor Bill Wells**; and all the men and women who serve our country, state, and city in leadership positions, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For **El Cajon, Lakeside, Santee, and San Diego**, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve her, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For those who travel on land, in or on water, in the air or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: For those with particular concerns:

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Intercessor: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: For what else would the people of God pray:

(Please take a few moments to express thanks or offer your own concerns to God either vocally or silently.)

Intercessor: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: For the health and safety of those serving in the military, particularly:

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| <p>Barnes Christopher Ibanez Joshua Ibanez Clarence Thompkins David Longworth Donovan Burns</p> | <p>Jacob Swerdfeger Lindzy Macias Phoenix Locken Riley McMillen Travis Warner Xavier Arthurs</p> |
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Intercessor: and with thanksgiving for all our veterans, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor: For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Celebrant: For **Blandina and her companions, the Martyrs of Lyons, the Martyrs of Uganda, John XXIII (Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli)**, Bishop, **Boniface**, Bishop and Missionary, and all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Celebrant: Lord, hear the prayers of Your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of Your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A period of silence is kept.

All say together:

**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.**

Absolution

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep You + in eternal life.

People: Amen.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

At this time you are invited to greet others with a handshake, a wave or hug in peace as you are comfortable.

Announcements

OFFERING PRAYER

Celebrant: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

Celebrant: All things come from You O Lord.

People: And of Your own we have given You.

Offertory – Hymnal 660, “Oh Master, Let Me Walk With Thee”

The Holy Communion

Please stand in body or spirit.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 Him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: 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. In fulfillment of His true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to Your Church the power to serve You as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Therefore, we praise You, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of Your Name:

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are full,
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. 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.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In Your infinite love You made us for Yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, You, in Your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, Your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to You, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to Your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night He was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling His death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer You these gifts. Sanctify them by Your Holy Spirit to be for our people the Body and Blood of Your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve You in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all Your saints into the joy of Your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through Your Son Jesus Christ. 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 forever.

People: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer – *(Arabic/English - please see pew card)*

A moment of reverence is kept.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Invitation

Celebrant: This is the table, not of the church but of Jesus Christ.
It is made ready for those who love Him and who want to love Him more.
So come, you who have much faith and you who have little;
you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time;
you who have tried to follow and you who have failed;
come, not because the church invites you;
it is Christ, and He invites you to meet Him here.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn – *Hymnal 674, “Forgive Our Sins”*

Please stand in body or spirit.

Celebrant: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

People: Amen.

Post Communion 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

Recessional Hymn – *Hymnal 675, “Take Up Your Cross”*

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Participants in Today's In-Person and Online Worship

Priest-in-Charge: The Rev. Dr. Richard Vevia, Jr.

Lectors/Intercessors: Colette Hurd, Joanne Bishop, Tracy Vevia

Organist/Choirmaster: Justin Hansen

Streaming Tech: Lily Airy

Gospel Readers: **Arabic** - Nawal Yousif, Mary Zori, Jamil Shorees, Ibtisam Bashee, Nahrien Patak, Intissar Razoq, & Musa
Karen - Angelynn Than

Ushers: Sharon Hathaway and Lisa Hilliker

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SAVE THE DATE: 21 June is St. Alban's Day

The custom of having a patron saint can be traced to the practice of building churches over the tombs of martyrs. Patron saints may be chosen for a variety of reasons. For example, a church that was founded on a saint's day might have that saint as patron.

The feast of a church's patron or title may be observed on or transferred to a Sunday, taking precedence over the usual Sunday observance in the calendar of the church year (excerpted from *An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church*).

Our patronal saint is St. Alban, first martyr of England.

According to the historian Bede, St. Alban served in the Roman army and was converted to Christianity by a fugitive priest whom he sheltered and with whom he exchanged clothes, so that he was martyred in the priest's place (www.britannica.com/biography/Saint-Alban).

We will celebrate St. Alban on 21 June. We will be dedicating a cover for our Arabic Gospel Book and a new icon of St. Alban. **New information: There will be a barbecue hosted by the Vestry. Please bring a side dish to share.**