

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**
Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**
2 Corinthians 13:14

Welcome and announcements

The Offertory I am his Lamb L. Larson
Veralyn Clemons and Teri Williams, vocalists

At The Presentation The Doxology *Old Hundredth*

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

Hymn 717 (verse 4 only) "Our father's God to thee" *America*

Our fathers God to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing; long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, great God, our King. Amen

The Recession, Hymn 645 The King of love my shepherd is St. Columba

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Canon in D J. Pachelbel



ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the Altar of the Little Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Hallie Moore Baker, Haywood Kingsley Baker, Sr. and Emily Baker Zimlich by Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Baker, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. G. Robert Baker, Sr.

The flowers on the Altar of the Church are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the 2019 Graduating Class and their Mothers.



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Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2019 11:30 a.m. Service
Morning Prayer Rite I

Welcome and Christ's grace and peace be with you. May He inspire our worship and empower our witness to the world.

Prelude As the Deer M. Nystrom

The Procession Hymn 522 Glorious things of thee are spoken Austria

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People **The Lord has risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Officiant

This is the day the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. *Psalm 118:24*
Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
1 Corinthians 15:57

Confession of Sins

BCP 41

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.
Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Officiant continues

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

BCP 42

All stand

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

People **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Venite, S-35

Jack Noble White

Come, let us sing to the Lord; * let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, * and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, * and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, * and his hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, * and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The Lessons

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

Saints Alive

Please join your friends for lunch

Wednesday, May 15

In the Parish Hall

Who? Parishioners 70 years & older

11:00 AM– Dr. Jeremiah Newell

Chief Operating Officer of the Mobile Area Education Foundation
Co-founder/Superintendent of MAEF Public Charter Schools,
a newly launched charter management organization,
which has opened ACCEL Day and Evening Academy,
the first public charter school in the state of Alabama

11:30 AM -Lunch

Please RSVP by calling the church office (342-8521). You MUST call no later than Monday, May 13. If you know someone who does not drive, please help them out and give them a ride; or if you need a ride, let the church office know and we will arrange for your transportation.

KICK OFF THE SUMMER WITH

CELEBRATION SUNDAY

MAY 19, 2019

**Come casual and join us
for Lunch and Frios,**

Face painting and other Fun activities!

May 19th is also a special day for our **Sunday School Small Group!** Our **2nd grade through 5th grade** will have an end of the year party immediately following Celebration Sunday at Noon. We will have the gaming truck, giant Jenga, and all sorts of fun games! Mark your calendars! Questions? Miranda Dismukes 251.509.2858

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.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23 *from BCP (read responsively)*

Dominus regit me

1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.

**2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.**

3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

**4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.

**6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Reading: 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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Canticle 9 The First Song of Isaiah Jack Noble White

Surely, it is God who saves me;
I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing
from the springs of salvation.
And on that day you shall say,
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name.

Make his deeds known among the peoples;
see that they remember that his Name
is exalted. Sing the praises of the Lord,
for he has done great things, and this is
known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion,
ring out your joy,
for the great one in the midst
of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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."

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Sermon Hymn 664 My shepherd will supply Resignation
During the singing of the Sermon Hymn children will leave for Sunday school.

The Sermon The Rev. John Riggin

The Apostles’ Creed BCP 53
I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers BCP 54

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

**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.**

Suffrage A

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

R. **And grant us thy salvation.**

V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

R. **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. **For only in thee can we live in safety.**

V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

V. Let thy way be known upon earth;

R. **Thy saving health among all nations.**

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. **And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Peace

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us, thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that we, being ordered by thy governance, may do always what is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, who didst stretch out thine arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of thy saving embrace: So clothe us in thy Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know thee to the knowledge and love of thee; for the honor of thy Name. **Amen.**

A Collect for Recovery from Sickness

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully accept our prayers, and grant to your servant *N.* the help of your power, that *his* sickness maybe turned into health, and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Eternal Life

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant *N.*, and grant *him* an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee, and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**