The Fifth Sunday of Easter May 18, 2025



St. John's Episcopal Church Crawfordsville, IN



Prelude

Grateful

Haynes

Welcome

The Rev. Jason Fortner

The Word of God

Please stand as you are able at the bell.

Processional Hymn

Hymnal 48

O day of radiant gladness

Opening Acclamation

Presider	Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People	The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Collect for Purity

The Presider may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.



Gloria

The Collect of the Day

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

Please be seated for the reading of scripture.

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. Reader Acts 11:1-18 Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon

them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.



Psalm 148

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; * praise him in the heights. Praise him, all you angels of his; * praise him. all his host. Praise him, sun and moon; * praise him, all you shining stars. Praise him, heaven of heavens, * and you waters above the heavens. Let them praise the Name of the Lord; * for he commanded, and they were created. He made them stand fast for ever and ever; * he gave them a law which shall not pass away. Praise the Lord from the earth, * you sea-monsters and all deeps; Fire and hail, snow and fog, * tempestuous wind, doing his will; Mountains and all hills, * fruit trees and all cedars: Wild beasts and all cattle, * creeping things and winged birds;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, * princes and all rulers of the world; Young men and maidens, * old and young together. Let them praise the Name of the Lord, * for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven. He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, * the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

Second Reading

Reader A reading from the Revelation to John. Revelation 21:1-6 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn	Hymnal 529	In Christ there is no East or West
Please stand as you are	able.	

The Gospel

John 13:31-35

PresiderThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

When Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." *Presider* The Gospel of the Lord. *People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Jason Fortner

A brief silence may follow.

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able. The Creed is recited in unison.

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 sin.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Silence*

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

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *Silence*

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

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Silence*

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

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *Silence*

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

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially Brittany Weathers, Shelbi Fortner, Larry Bennett, Brittany Green, Catherine, Jack, Les, Lauren, Frank, Don, Ann, Cynthia, Shane, Kelly, Linda, Char, Tim, Cathy, Eve, Jim, Tina, the Rahimi Family, and those devastated by natural disasters and war, and give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *Silence*

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

Continue to bless and guide the work of the Reunification Discernment Committee, that they may seek your will, honor the history and traditions of the church in Indiana, and fulfill their duties with grace. *Silence*

Lord in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*

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

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace	Please stand as you are able.
Presider	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

Psalm 96:8



The Holy Eucharist

Our altar is the Table of our loving God, a table set to nourish all of creation through the love of Jesus Christ. You, who are a beloved part of that creation, are most welcome, indeed invited to partake! If you wish to receive the Body of Christ in the bread, please place one hand on top of the other, palms up. If you wish to receive the Blood of Christ from the chalice, please take a sip when it is offered. If you would prefer a blessing rather than Communion or would like to abstain from the bread or the wine, please cross your hands over your chest.

Offertory Anthem	Up, Up, My Heart	Cruger
Offertory Hymn Please stand as you are able	Hymnal 380 verse 3	<i>Old 100</i> th

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.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

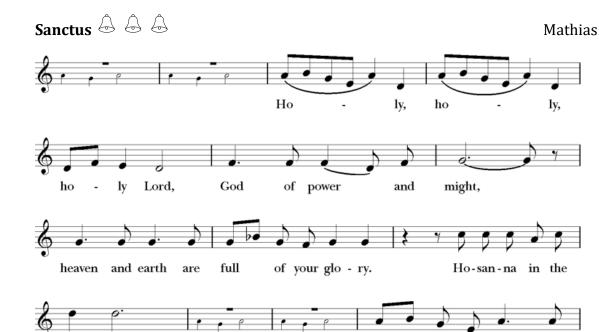
Please remain standing as you are able.

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Presider	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

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.



Please stand or kneel as you are able and inclined.

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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.

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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."

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Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

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

The Presider continues

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 Blessed Mary, Blessed John, and 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.**

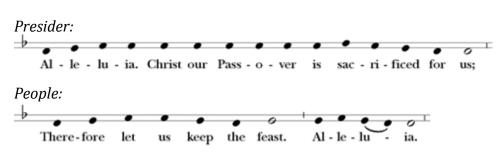
Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Presider

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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated bread.



A period of silence is kept.

The Invitation

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People 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

The Presider blesses the people with these or similar words.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen**.

Recessional	Hymn	Hymnal 577	God is love, and where true love is
The Dismiss The Presider	s al dismisses the Pe	eople.	
People	Thanks be to	God. Alleluia. All	eluia.

Postlude

Herald the News

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Serving Today

Presider:The Rev. Jason FortnerMusic:Jerilyn Yerkes

	May 18,2025		May 25,2025	
	8:00am	10:30am	8:00am	10:30am
Lector	Kim Green	Nancy Bennett	Mark	Sheila Evans
			Kussmaul	
LEM	Kim Green	Jessica Roosa &	Meribeth	Katharine &
		Kim Roberts	Kussmaul	Aaron
				Morrison
Crucifer	Cyndy Fields	Steve Charles	Frank	John Culley
			Sorrentino	
Greeters		Kathy & Jim		Jill Lamberton
		Gary		& Jeremy
				Hartnett
Childcare		Kitty Haffner &		Kari Brock &
		Leigh Earle		Jessica Short
Altar Guild	Jerilyn Yerkes	Terry Lawrence	Cyndy Fields	Teresa Titus
Counters		Peggy Lohorn &		Frank
		Ed Fain		Sorrentino &
				Ellen Ball
Coffee	Frank		Meegan Reidy	
	Sorrentino			
Clean Up		Meegan Reidy		Katharine
				Morrison

This Sunday's altar flowers are offered to the glory of God, in loving memory and thanksgiving for the lives and faith of Robert and Mary Angela Cooley.

- It's **Omelet Sunday**! If you're reading this at the 8:00am service, stick around. If this is the 10:30 service, thanks to the Men's Group for the delicious breakfast!
- St. John's collects **weekly donations** of non-perishable food and hygiene items to donate to the FISH Food Pantry and to stock our own **Free Food Pantry**. Bring what you can as you're able.
- The **vestry** will meet in the library at 12:00 noon today.
- Come join us for **Bible Study** every **Tuesday morning** at 9am in Whitlock Hall and Tuesday evening at 5:30pm at Wellbrooke located at 517 Concord Road in Crawfordsville. Contact Dan Booher with questions.

St. John's Vestry

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