

St. Margaret's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024 ☩ 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to St. Margaret's Episcopal Church

St. Margaret's is a warm place to renew faith in God, care for one another, and thrive in a diverse, LGBTQIA-affirming, and inclusive community. Visitors, please fill out a CONNECT card hanging on the backs of the pews.

In Person or Online, There's a Place for You Here

St. Margaret's worship services are livestreamed for our online congregation. By participating in this service, you acknowledge that you may be visible on live or archived video. If you are uncomfortable about the possibility of appearing on video, please see an usher to be reseated in a more private area.

About Eastertide

Easter is entirely about hope and joy: that nothing separates us from the love of God—not even our sins, not even suffering, and not even death itself. Easter is a season, not simply a day. The Great Fifty Days of Easter are an extended celebration of the Crucified and Resurrected One, the Incarnate Word of God we know in the person of Jesus of Nazareth. Those of us who identify as followers of Christ are baptized into his death and into the hope of Resurrection. What this mystery really means is the most important question of our faith journey—especially as we explore it together in this holiest season of the year.

About Today's Biblical Texts

The readings used today are taken from *A Women's Lectionary for the Whole Church, Year B*, by biblical scholar and Episcopal priest, the Rev. Dr. Wilda Gafney. This completely new set of lectionary texts is built from the ground up and includes new gender-expansive translations of texts selected to tell the Good News through the stories of women who are often on the margins of scripture. Building upon St. Margaret's trailblazing history as a parish that celebrates the leadership of women in our Church, we began use of this new, three-year lectionary in Advent 2022. In so doing, we hope the lectionary invites women, men, and nonbinary people alike to engage the scriptures in new ways and in that engagement, to find themselves and their questions represented.

Leading Worship Today

May 5, 2024

10:30 a.m.

CELEBRANT <i>The ordained minister leading the service</i>	The Rev. Richard Weinberg
PREACHER <i>The minister (lay or ordained) who leads a reflection on how the appointed Scripture speaks to us today</i>	The Rev. Richard Weinberg
DEACON <i>The ordained minister who reads the Gospel and sets the table for Eucharist</i>	The Rev. Francisco Serrano
MUSIC MINISTER <i>The person leading the music</i>	Timothy Duhr
VIRTUAL VERGER <i>The lay leader who serves as a kind of holy stage manager, ensuring the virtual worship service goes smoothly</i>	Patty Lemmerman
VERGER <i>The lay leader who serves as a kind of holy stage manager, ensuring the worship service goes smoothly</i>	Gary Collins
CRUCIFER <i>The lay leader who carries the processional cross</i>	Brian Bolton
LECTORS <i>The lay ministers who read the Bible lessons appointed for the day</i>	Terry Adlhock Annie Elliott
INTERCESSOR <i>The lay minister who leads the Prayers of Our Community</i>	Tim Green
ALTAR GUILD <i>Those who care for the altar, vestments, vessels, and altar linens of the parish; prepare the sanctuary for services; and clean up afterward</i>	Daisy Njoku Melissa Mullins
TECH TEAM <i>The lay leaders who assist in filming our service and creating a welcoming virtual space</i>	Patty Lemmerman Farar Elliott
VESTRY REPRESENTATIVES <i>The lay leaders who serve on the Vestry and make announcements during the service</i>	Patty Nicoson Giselle Pole
BREAD BAKER <i>The lay person who prepares the bread, which we take, bless, break, and share in the Eucharist</i>	Anne Chase
CHALICISTS <i>The ministers (lay or ordained) who serves the Communion wine</i>	Brian Bolton Jen Mariano
USHERS <i>Those greeting the congregation and directing the distribution of Communion</i>	Tim Green JD Mancini

We Gather in God's Name

Opening Voluntary

Ciacona

Georg Muffat (1653-1704)

Welcome

Please stand in body or spirit.

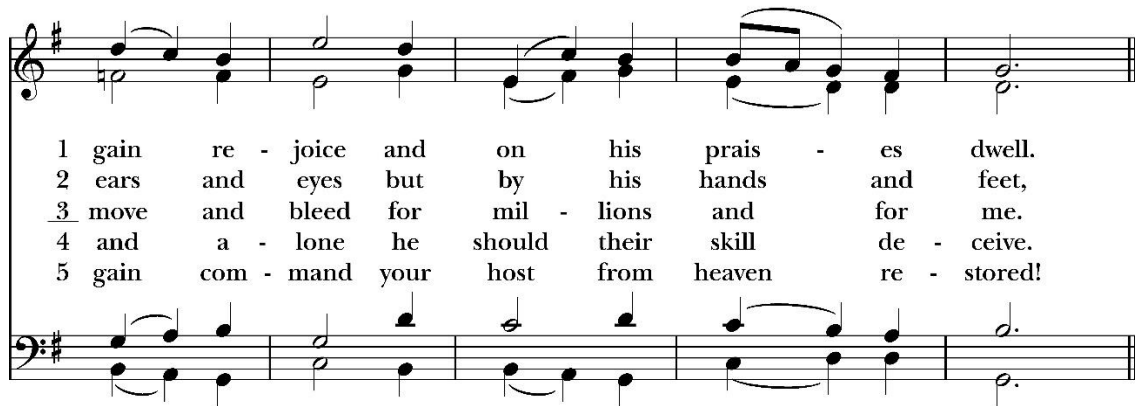
Hymn at the Procession

Awake, arise, lift up your voice

Richmond

1 A - wake, a - rise, lift up your voice, let
2 Oh, with what glad - ness and sur - prise the
3 those hands of lib - eral love in - deed in
4 His en - c - mies had scaled the stone as
5 O Dead a - rise! O Friend - less stand by

1 Eas - ter mu - sic swell; re - jice in Christ, a -
2 saints their Sa - vior greet; nor will they trust their
3 in - fi - nite de - gree, those feet still free to
4 Pi - late gave them leave, lest dead and friend - less
5 ser - a - phim a - dored! O Sol - i - tude a -



1 gain re - joice and on his prais - es dwell.
 2 ears and eyes but by his hands and feet,
 3 move and bleed for mil - lions and for me.
 4 and a - lone he should their skill de - ceive.
 5 gain com - mand your host from heaven re - stored!

Words: Christopher Smart (1722-1771), alt. Music: *Richmond*, melody Thomas Haweis (1734-1816); adapt. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816).

The Opening Acclamation

The People's responses are in **bold**.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Collect for Purity

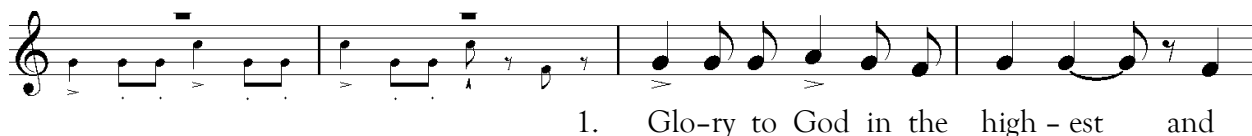
The Collect (pronounced cah-lect) for Purity is a distinctively Anglican prayer for the start of worship and has been included in every Book of Common Prayer since its first publication in 1549. It is translated from an 11th century Latin prayer.

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 Savior. Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Mathias

Literally meaning, "Glory in the highest," this is a short hymn of praise to the Trinity. Its opening verse is based on the song of the angels to the shepherds at the time of Jesus' birth, as reported in Luke 2:14. It is known as the "Angelic Hymn." It is also known as the "Greater Doxology," distinguishing it from the Gloria Patri, the "Lesser Doxology." It dates from the fourth century, and was the canticle for the morning office in the Apostolic Constitutions. The Gloria in Excelsis is typically used in Episcopal parishes as part of the entrance rite during non-penitential seasons.



1. Glo-ry to God in the high - est and



peace to God's peo-ple on Earth. Lord God, heaven - ly One, al-



might - y God, cre - a - tor, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we




praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ,




on - ly Child of our Mak - er, Lord God, Lamb of God,




take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;




you are seat - ed at the right hand of the High - est: re -



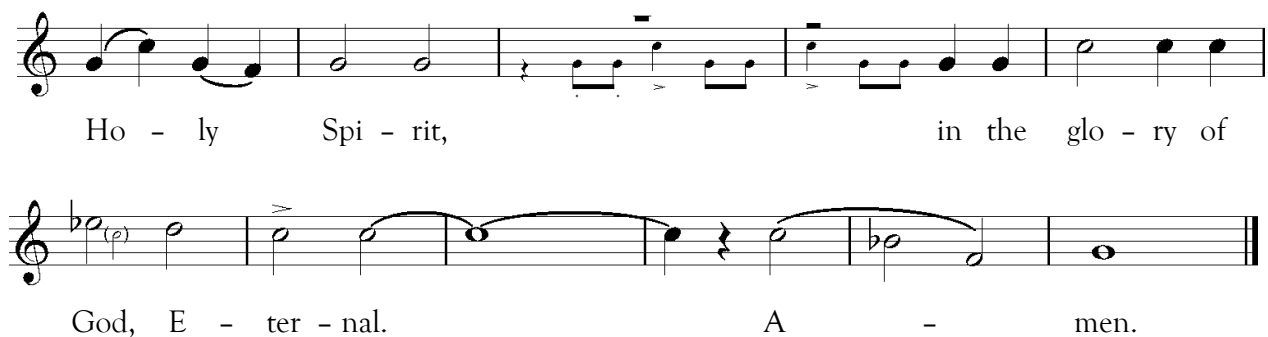
ceive our prayer. For



you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the



The Collect of the Day

The collect is the prayer appointed for each day that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

God be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

NOURISHING MOTHER OF ALL CREATION, who birthed the universe through your creative power, filled the earth with your life-giving Spirit, and adopted us as your beloved children; sustain us under the shadow of your wing, that we may cultivate communities of justice and peace, and satisfy our deepest longings with the bread of life, that we may mature into the likeness of Christ. This we pray in the name of your Son, our brother and redeemer. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

We Proclaim and Respond to the Word of God

The First Lesson

Acts 9:36–42

This reading is from the Acts of the Apostles, a book in the New Testament written by the same author as the Gospel of Luke. Acts tells a dramatic story of the birth and expansion of the church from the time of the ascension of Jesus until the arrival of Paul in Rome.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

³⁶Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha—which translated into Greek is Dorcas; she was abundant in good works and benevolent giving. ³⁷And it happened at that time she became ill and died and they washed her and laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Now Lydda was near Joppa so the disciples who heard that Peter was there, sent two people to him urging, “Without delay, come to us.” ³⁹Then Peter got up and went with them; when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. And standing beside him were all the widows, weeping and displaying the tunics and other clothing that Dorcas made while she was with them. ⁴⁰Then Peter put all of them outside, and got on his knees and prayed, and he turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, arise.” And she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹Then he gave her his hand and raised her up and calling the

saints and widows, he presented her alive. ⁴²Now this became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Messiah.

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

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 36:5-10

Dixit injustus

John Blow (1649-1708)

The psalms are poems from the Old Testament (or Hebrew Scriptures). They cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another.

The Choir sings

⁵HOLY ONE, throughout the very heavens is your faithful love,
your faithfulness beyond the clouds.

⁶Your righteousness is like the eternal mountains,
your judgments are like the mighty deep;
you save humankind and animalkind alike, FAITHFUL ONE.

⁷How precious is your faithful love, O God!

All the woman-born take shelter in the shadow of your wings.

⁸They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

⁹For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light.

¹⁰Extend your faithful love to those who know you,
and your justice to the upright of heart!

The Second Lesson

Romans 8:11-17

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is from a letter (epistle) to the early Church.

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

¹¹Now if the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life, including your mortal bodies, through the Spirit of the one who dwells in you all. ¹²So then, sisters and brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, according to the flesh to live. ¹³For if according to the flesh you live, you shall soon die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you all shall live. ¹⁴Now as many as are led by the Spirit of God are daughters and sons of God. ¹⁵For you all did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall again into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption through which we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶It is that same Spirit who bears witness with our spirit that we are daughters and sons of God. ¹⁷And if daughters and sons, then heirs, heirs of God and heirs with Christ, if it is true that we suffer with Christ so that we may also be glorified with Christ.

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Thanks be to God.

Please stand in body or spirit.

Hymn at the Sequence

In Christ there is no East or West

McKee

The sequence hymn moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means “good news”—specifically the “good news of Jesus.”

1. In Christ there is no east or west, In
2. In him shall true hearts ev - 'ry - where Their
3. Join hands, dis - ci - ples in the faith, What -
4. In Christ now meet both east and west, In

1. him no south or north; But one great fam - 'ly
2. high com - mu - nion find; His ser - vice is the
3. e'er your race may be! Who serve each oth - er
4. him meet south and north; All Christ - ly souls are

1. bound by love Through - out the whole wide earth.
2. gold - en cord Close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.
3. in Christ's love Are sure - ly kin to me.
4. one in him, Through - out the whole wide earth.

The Gospel Lesson

John 6:35–40

This reading is taken from one of the four gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Savior Jesus Christ. We stand as we are able for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.

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

Glory to you, O Christ.

³⁵Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. The person who comes to me will never be hungry and the one who believes in me will never be thirsty. ³⁶Rather I said to you all that you have seen me and yet you all do not believe. ³⁷Everything that the Creator gives me will come to me and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away. ³⁸That is why I have come down from the heavens, for this reason, not to do my own will, but the will of the one who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of the one who sent me, that out of all that God has given me I should lose nothing, rather, raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰This is indeed the will of my Abba, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day.”

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Praise be to Christ, the Word.

The Sermon

The Rev. Richard Weinberg

At the invitation of the preacher, please be seated. After the sermon, please stand in body or spirit.

The Affirmation of Faith

A Celtic Creed

This creed has been passed down from Iona Abbey on the Isle of Iona in Scotland. Founded by St. Columba in 563, since 1938 the Abbey has been cared for by the Iona Community, an international ecumenical order who continues the tradition of Iona Abbey as a place of worship.

We believe in God above us,
**maker and sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon, of water and earth,
of male and female, and in between.**

**We believe in God beside us,
Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh,
born of a woman, servant of the poor,
tortured and nailed to a tree.
A man of sorrows, he died forsaken.
He descended into the earth to the place of death.
On the third day he rose from the tomb.
He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present,
and his kingdom will come on earth.**

**We believe in God within us,
the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire,
life-giving breath of the Church,
Spirit of healing and forgiveness,
source of resurrection and of eternal life.
Amen.**

Please kneel or sit.

The Prayers of Our Community

The intercessor gives voice to the prayer requests submitted online by members of our community worshipping in person or on Zoom. To submit your own prayer request, please use the QR code in the back of this bulletin.

Jesus Christ is risen today, our triumphant holy day. Alleluia! So let us pray to our Lord, saying, "Risen Christ, to you we give undying praise."

Heavenly One, for us you endured the cross and the grave. When we were yet sinners, you redeemed and saved us. May we sing your eternal praises everywhere we go.

Silence

Risen Christ, **to you we give undying praise.**

Incarnate Love, where hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, call forth new life by your touch. Bring forth life in the barren places of your world.

Silence

Risen Christ, **to you we give undying praise.**

Resurrected One, bring our neighbors from sadness into joy. Where they live in darkness, brighten their lives with a day of splendor and give to all that peace that passes human knowing.

Silence

Risen Christ, **to you we give undying praise.**

Risen Christ, you have opened heaven's gate. You have freed us from the power of sin and death. Through your resurrection, you give us the promise of resurrection to a holier state. Bless the dying and the dead.

Silence

Risen Christ, **to you we give undying praise.**

And continuing with prayers submitted by members of our community...

Silence

Risen Christ, **to you we give undying praise.**

The Celebrant adds this concluding collect

Sun of Righteousness, so gloriously risen, shine in our hearts as we celebrate our redemption, that we may see your way to our eternal home, where you reign, one holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

The People stand to share signs of peace with one another and then are seated.

The Offertory

Having gathered, listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Eucharist. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

Don't have cash for the collection plate? Text MAGGIE and your donation amount to [73256](tel:73256) to give to St. Margaret's using your text messaging (e.g., MAGGIE \$50). As a first-time giver, it will take you approximately 2 minutes to set up your payment method. Once your first text gift is processed, the payment method is saved for future gifts and allows for a faster and more convenient giving experience. Standard text message rates do apply.

Solo at the Offertory

Untitled hymn

Chris Rice (b. 1970)

Weak and wounded sinner, lost and left to die
O raise your head for Love is passing by

Come to Jesus and live

Now your burden's lifted and carried far away
And precious blood has washed away the stain

Sing to Jesus and live

And like a newborn baby, don't be afraid to crawl
And remember when you walk, sometimes we fall

Fall on Jesus and live

Sometimes the way is lonely and steep and filled with pain
So if your sky is dark and pours the rain

Cry to Jesus and live

O, and when the love spills over and music fills the night
And when you can't contain your joy inside

Dance for Jesus and live

And with your final heartbeat, kiss the world goodbye
Then go in peace, and laugh on Glory's side

Fly to Jesus and live

text: Chris Rice

William Edwards, soloist

We Make Eucharist Together

The Great Thanksgiving

The word Eucharist comes from the Greek for "thanksgiving." In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving—or Eucharistic Prayer—is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum Corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts" in Latin.

Please stand in body or spirit.

God is with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Holy One.**

Let us give thanks to the Most High our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Only Begotten, Jesus Christ our Savior; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By Christ's death he has destroyed death, and by Christ's rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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:

Sanctus & Benedictus

Mathias

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est Bless - ed is the One who



We recall God's acts of salvation history. The celebrant says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of time. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."**

Therefore, according to his command, O God: **We remember Christ's death, we proclaim Christ's resurrection, we await Christ's coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 Margaret and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, each in our own language,

**Our Father/Mother/Creator Padre nuestro... Vater unser... Ama namin... Baba Yetu...
 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 Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread in silence.

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

The Invitation

These are the gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose again for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please be seated.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

- *Please come forward as directed by the ushers and kneel (or stand in front of the kneelers, as you are able). Those who wish to have Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.*
- *The bread is freshly baked by a member of our community. Gluten-free wafers are also available; please make your need known to the minister.*
- *Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands. Respond to receiving the bread by saying, "Amen."*
- *To receive the wine, sip from the chalice, which will be guided gently to your lips by the minister. Please note that intinction (dipping the bread into the wine) is not permitted. Respond to receiving the wine by saying, "Amen."*
- *We all make a full communion and receive Christ's body and blood whether receiving in either or both the bread and wine.*
- *If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of communion, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest.*
- *For members of our community who primarily worship online, we are happy to mail consecrated, gluten-free wafers for you to commune yourself. To make your request, please email Jane Quenk (jquenk@aol.com), chair of the Altar Guild.*

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Those who are watching online and will not receive may wish to pray this prayer.

My Jesus,
I believe that you are truly present

in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.
I love you above all things,
and long for you in my soul.
Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood,
come spiritually into my heart.
Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace;
let me never be separated from you.
May I live in you, and you in me,
in this life and the life to come. Amen.

Anthem at the Communion

Ave verum corpus (sung in Latin)

W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Hail, true Body, born
of the Virgin Mary,
having truly suffered, sacrificed
on the cross for mankind,
from whose pierced side
water and blood flowed:
Be for us a sweet foretaste
in the trial of death!

Text: 13th century Italian

A period of reverent silence may follow the music during The Communion. We invite you to pray in the quiet of your heart.

The People stand in body or spirit.

Prayer after the Communion

God of Life,
**who for our redemption gave your only-begotten One
to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
has delivered us from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with Christ in the joy of the risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Please be seated.

Announcements

Clergy and lay leaders greet the congregation and invite people to connect with our parish community, learn about the faith, or to volunteer in service. Please see the weekly bulletin insert for more information.

Please stand in body or spirit.

The Blessing

God the Creator, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead, open to you the gates of everlasting life. **Amen.**

God the Incarnate One, who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory, give you joy as you share the Easter faith. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Christ, empower you and fill you with Christ's peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, Source of all Being, Incarnate Word, and Holy Spirit, be with you all and remain with you always. **Amen.**

We Go Forth in the Name of Christ

As the celebration ends, we are charged to reach out beyond our own church to the world around us.

1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our vic - to - rious King,
 2 Where the Pas - chal blood is poured, death's dark an - gel sheathes his sword;
 3 Might - y vic - tim from on high, hell's fierce powers be - neath thee lie;
 4 Eas - ter tri - umph, Eas - ter joy, these a - lone do sin de - stroy.

who hath washed us in the tide flow - ing from his pierc - ed side;
 Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go through the wave that drowns the foe.
 thou hast con - quered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light:
 From sin's power do thou set free souls new - born, O Lord, in thee.

praise we him, whose love di - vine gives his sa - cred Blood for wine,
 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal vic - tim, Pas - chal bread;
 now no more can death ap - pall, now no more the grave en - thrall;
 Hymns of glo - ry, songs of praise, Fa - ther, un - to thee we raise:

gives his Bo - dy for the feast, Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest.
 with sin - cer - i - ty and love eat we man - na from a - bove.
 thou hast o - pened par - a - dise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.
 ris - en Lord, all praise to thee with the Spi - rit ev - er be.

Words: Latin, 1632; tr. Robert Campbell (1814-1868), alt. Music: *Salzburg*, melody Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Closing Voluntary

Prelude in A, BWV 536

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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- ✝ **Weekly Sunday Eucharist Service** at 10:30 a.m. Join us in person or online!
- ✝ **Weekly Virtual Sunday Compline Service** at 8:00 p.m. Join us via Zoom! Find the link at stmargaretsdc.org/worship.
- ✝ **Diocesan Confirmation Service:** 10:00 a.m., on Saturday, May 11, at Washington National Cathedral. Parishioner, Kate Johnston, will be confirmed. All are welcome to attend.

CONNECT

- ✝ **Upcoming Young Adult Group Gatherings:** Are you a parishioner in your 20's or 30's looking for an opportunity to gather and connect outside of church? We hope you will join for one or both upcoming opportunities for St. Margaret's young adults. The next gathering will be a picnic on Thursday, May 9, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., at Kalorama Park. Please also save the date for our June happy hour on Friday, June 14, at 6:00 p.m., (location TBD). Friends, partners, and spouses welcome - we ask that you let us know if you're coming! RSVP to Nellie Fagan via at mefagan16@gmail.com or call/text (978) 501-3061.
- ✝ **Do you like to stretch during the 7th inning?** If so, come join members from around the diocese on Saturday, June 15th to watch our beloved Nationals take on the Miami Marlins. The game will begin at 4:05 PM, so come enjoy some community over brats and beer with fellow Episcopalians as we enjoy America's favorite pastime on a beautiful summer day. If you are interested and have questions, please contact JD Mancini at john.d.mancini622@gmail.com. Buy tickets here: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Christchurch3>.
- ✝ **Pride Concert:** In the Nave on Thursday, June 6, at 7:00 p.m., featuring a new work by Eric Thomas and Buck McDaniel. Inspired by Benjamin Britten's eponymous work setting texts of Edith Sitwell, *The Heart of the Matter* is neither concert nor play, but a meditation on LGBTQIA+ Pride past, present, and future. The work pairs original texts narrated by Queer theological scholar Dr. Eric Thomas and music composed by Buck McDaniel in varying combinations of solo organ, offstage horn (Van Parker), and tenor (Matthew Jones). Along with scholar Dr. Carla Roland-Guzmán, Thomas and McDaniel previously collaborated on a 4-week festival of Queer experimental liturgies at The General Theological Seminary in New York City. McDaniel's other projects have included performances with Sam Smith on NBC's *Saturday Night Live*, Oliver Hermanus's film *The History of Sound*, and the nationally syndicated radio program *The Moth*.

St. Margaret's Faith in Action Committee is sponsoring the relocation of an LGBTQ+ refugee through Welcome Corps and Rainbow Railroad. While there is no admission charge for this concert, a free will offering will be collected to offset costs related to the committee's endeavor.

- ✝ **Maggie's Cabaret Returns!** After a hiatus, we are excited to restart our popular Maggie's Cabaret series with a Friday, May 10 show by BroadwayWorld's Best Cabaret Solo Performance Artist in DC 2023, singer Susan Derry, with the wonderful Howard Breitbart as musical director and accompanist. Maggie's Cabaret is a fundraising event for St. Margaret's. With a suggested donation of \$20 attendees receive a beverage and nibbles as they prepare to enjoy an hour of high quality talent, using material from the Great American Songbook, Broadway, and other sources to deliver a

memorable experience in the intimacy of our Parish Hall. No advance ticket sales; the doors open at 7:15 pm and the performance starts at 8:00. Bring a friend and enjoy a night out as we savor our spring weather!

- ✝ **Lunch in Our Neighborhood: 12:15 p.m., Today, at Thai Chef Street Kitchen, 1712 Connecticut Ave., NW.** Find the link to RSVP at stmargaretsdc.org/connect. For more information, contact Daniel Sherman (dss16a@acu.edu) or JD Mancini (john.d.mancini622@gmail.com).
- ✝ **Pastoral Care.** If you or a loved one is in need of prayer or assistance, our clergy would love to provide pastoral care. Those who are sick, in the hospital, recovering from surgery, grieving, or dealing with an unexpected crisis or challenge may be visited by clergy or by trained members of the parish. Sometimes telephone calls or virtual meetings are preferred. Please let us know by calling the Parish Office at 202-232-2995 or by emailing the Rector, the Rev. Richard Weinberg at richard@stmargaretsdc.org, or the Associate Rector, the Rev. Diana Gustafson at diana@stmargaretsdc.org to request a visit, meeting, or phone call. Some parish volunteers are also licensed to take Communion to parishioners who are in the hospital or are homebound. Arrangements can be made by contacting clergy directly or through the church office. **If you're a member in an emergency or crisis**, or if you suspect the death of a loved one is near and wish to have a priest administer Last Rites, it is best to call the Rector directly on his mobile: 202-489-8727.

LEARN

- ✝ **May Forum: What is Asian and Asian American Feminist Theology?** May 19, 12 noon - 1:30 p.m. Anti-Asian racism in the US has grown since COVID-19. Join us in recognition of Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month as Dr. Kwok Pui Lan explains how Asian and Asian American feminist theologians have responded to racism and other oppression and articulated a theology of solidarity, reconciliation, and hope. Dr. Kwok is the Dean's Professor of Systematic Theology at Candler School of Theology at Emory University in Atlanta. She is a past president of the American Academy of Religion and is the author of *The Anglican Tradition from a Postcolonial Perspective* and coeditor of *Anglican Women on Church and Mission*. We will gather at St. Margaret's to meet Professor Kwok on Zoom using the link from 10:30 worship. Email the Rev. Diana Gustafson at Diana@stmargaretsdc.org with questions.
- ✝ **On-the-Way Book & Bible Study:** Every other Monday at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom. Everyone is welcome but advance registration is required. Find the class on the website calendar to register at www.stmargaretsdc.org/calendar. The next meeting of On-the-Way will take place on May 20, when we will continue discussion of the book *The Physics of Angels: Exploring the Realm Where Science and Spirit Meet* by Matthew Fox and Rupert Sheldrake.
- ✝ **Charlie's Place Bible Study and Prayer Group:** Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. You are invited to join this weekly gathering where individuals of diverse backgrounds and lived experiences come together to study God's word and experience the power of prayer in community. For details email Reggie Cox at rcox@stmargaretsdc.org.

SERVE

- ✝ **The Welcoming Committee** is seeking volunteers to greet worshipers at the Welcome Table located near the church's front door before church. This would require arriving at church about 10:10, setting

up the table, and welcoming folks as they enter. Become an important part of our welcoming congregation! Please email Jenny Carson (jcarson@mica.edu) or Tim Green (tg465@georgetown.edu) if you are interested.

- ✝ **Mustard Seed Charlie's Place Street Outreach:** Join our deacon, the Rev. Francisco Serrano, for weekly street outreach to our neighbors experiencing homelessness in Dupont Circle. Volunteers will meet at St. Margaret's and then bring beverages, snacks, and other gestures of love to Dupont Circle to deepen relationships with our community. Questions? Email Francisco at serranofrancisco388@gmail.com. To help fund this ministry, please give to the Rector's Discretionary Fund by check or online at stmargaretsdc.org/give. Be sure to select "Rector's Discretionary Fund" in the dropdown menu.

GIVE

- ✝ **Donate to our "Loving our Neighbors through Medical Debt Relief" Campaign.** Medical debt affects many and is particularly problematic for people of color and vulnerable populations. Working with Undue Medical Debt (formerly RIP Medical Debt), St. M's is seeking to eliminate more than \$1 million in medical debt for our neighbors in DC and Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. Thanks to your generosity, our new goal is \$20,000! To donate, please scan the QR Code or visit: <https://www.unduemedicaldebt.org/campaign/st-margarets-episcopal-church-of-washington-dc-campaign/> Thank you!



- ✝ **Ceramic Mugs and Pantry Donations for Charlie's Place:** In addition to ceramic coffee mugs, Charlie's Place needs the following pantry items: canned vegetables, canned fruit, breakfast cereal, peanut butter, jelly, ketchup, mayonnaise, maple syrup, soup, canned tuna, snack bars, noodles, seasonings, and pancake mix. from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Email Reggie Cox with questions at rcox@stmargaretsdc.org.
- ✝ **1894 Society:** St. Margaret's 1894 Society recognizes those who have graciously named our beloved parish as the beneficiary of a planned gift. These donors' lasting and thoughtful contributions will help ensure St. Margaret's can fulfill her mission as a warm place to renew faith in God, care for one another, and help build a diverse, LGBTQIA-affirming, and inclusive community. To learn more about planned giving, making a long-term and special financial commitment to the church, and joining the 1894 Society, please talk to our Rector. The 1894 Society brochure and Intended Giving Card can be found at stmargaretsdc.org/give.
- ✝ **Donate:** If you would like to make a donation to St. Margaret's, visit stmargaretsdc.org/give, text MAGGIE and your donation amount to [73256](tel:73256), or mail a check to the Parish Office.

Prayer Requests

Scan the QR code below to submit your prayer requests so that the intercessor may read them aloud during today's service.



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