

# THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn 175

Hail thee, festival day!

Refrain:

Hail thee, festival day!  
blest day that art hallowed forever,  
day whereon Christ arose,  
breaking the kingdom of death

1. Lo, the fair beauty of earth,  
from the death of the winter arising!  
Every good gift of the year  
now with its Master returns: [Refrain]

2. He who was nailed to the cross  
is Lord and the ruler of nature;  
all things created on earth  
sing to the glory of God: [Refrain]

3. Daily the loveliness grows,  
adorned with glory of blossom;  
heaven her gates unbars,  
flinging her increase of light: [Refrain]

4. Rise from the grave now, O Lord,  
who art author of life and creation.  
Treading the pathway of death,  
life thou bestowest on all: [Refrain]

5. God the Creator, the Lord,  
who rulest the earth and the heavens,  
guard us from harm without;  
cleanse us from evil within: [Refrain]

6. Jesus the health of the world,  
enlighten our minds, thou Redeemer,

*St. Mark's Episcopal Church*

*Second Sunday of Easter*

*April 24, 2022 10:00 am*

**Holy Eucharist Rite I**

Son of the Father supreme,  
only-begotten of God: [Refrain]

7. Spirit of life and of power,  
now flow in us, fount of our being,  
light that dost lighten all,  
life that in all dost abide: [Refrain]

8. Praise to the giver of good!  
Thou Love who art author of concord,  
pour out thy balm on our souls,  
order our ways in thy peace: [Refrain]

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

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

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:  
Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with  
all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great  
commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt  
love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments  
hang all the Law and the Prophets.

*Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, good will towards men.*

*We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee,  
we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.*

*O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.*

*Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.*

*For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

### **The Collect of the Day**

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

*People* And with thy spirit..

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery  
hast 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 the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth  
and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever  
and ever. *Amen.*

### **The Lessons**

**Acts 5:27-32**

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God*

**Psalms 118: 14-29**

*Confitemini Domino*

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, \*  
and he has become my salvation.

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
in the tents of the righteous:

16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! \*  
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!  
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

17 I shall not die, but live, \*  
and declare the works of the LORD.

18 The LORD has punished me sorely, \*  
but he did not hand me over to death.

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to the LORD.

20 "This is the gate of the LORD; \*  
he who is righteous may enter."

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
and have become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the LORD'S doing, \*  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 On this day the LORD has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Hosanna, LORD, hosanna! \*  
LORD, send us now success.

26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; \*  
we bless you from the house of the LORD.

27 God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; \*  
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; \*  
you are my God, and I will exalt you."

29 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures for ever.

## Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God*

## Hymn 209

### We walk by faith

1. We walk by faith, and not by sight;  
no gracious words we hear from him  
who spoke as none e'er spoke;  
but we believe him near.

2. We may not touch his hands and side,  
nor follow where he trod;  
but in his promise we rejoice;  
and cry, "My Lord and God!"

3. Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;  
and may our faith abound,  
to call on you when you are near,  
and seek where you are found:

4. that, when our life of faith is done,  
in realms of clearer light

we may behold you as you are,  
with full and endless sight.

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

People *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

## John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

### **The Sermon**

**The Rev. Nancy L. Threadgill**

### **The Nicene Creed**

*I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible;*

*And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.*

*And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
and glorified;*

*who spake by the Prophets.*

*And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

### **The Prayers of the People**

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Michael, our presiding bishop, and Ketlen, our bishop, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially, Joe, our president, and Tom, our governor that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service. and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

### **Saint Mark April 25**

Almighty God, who by the hand of Mark the evangelist hast given to thy Church the Gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God: We thank thee for this witness, and pray that we may be firmly grounded in its truth; through the same Jesus Christ

our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

### **Confession of Sin**

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

*Almighty God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
maker of all things, judge of all men:  
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins  
and wickedness,  
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,  
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,  
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.  
We do earnestly repent,  
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,  
the burden of them is intolerable.  
Have mercy upon us,  
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
forgive us all that is past;*

*and grant that we may ever hereafter  
serve and please thee in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of thy Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

## **The Peace**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
People *And with thy spirit.*

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

# **The Holy Communion**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good thy vows unto the Most High. *Psalms 50:14*

## **Choral Anthem**

## **God so loved the world**

All things come from thee, O Lord,  
People *And of thine own have we given thee.*

## **Eucharistic Prayer II**

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says*

The Lord be with you.  
People *And with thy spirit.*  
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.  
People *We lift them up unto the Lord.*  
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.  
People *It is meet and right so to do.*

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Because thou art greatly glorified in the assembly of thy saints. All thy creatures praise thee, and thy faithful servants bless thee, confessing before the rulers of this world the great Name of thine only Son.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

*Celebrant and People*

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.*

*Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

*The people kneel or stand.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these

gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

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

*People and Celebrant*

*Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.*

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

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

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.*

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him  
in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

For those unable to receive the physical Communion at this time  
please pray the following with me:

*My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament  
of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim  
your resurrection. 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, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May  
I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.*

### **Communion Hymn 328 Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord**

1 Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord,  
and drink the holy Blood for you outpoured.

2 Saved by that Body and that holy Blood,  
with souls refreshed, we render thanks to God.

3 Salvation's giver, Christ, the only Son,  
by his dear cross and blood the victory won.

4 Offered was he for greatest and for least,  
himself the Victim, and himself the Priest.

5 Approach ye then with faithful hearts sincere,  
and take the pledges of salvation here.

6 He that his saints in this world rules and shields,  
to all believers life eternal yields;

7 with heavenly bread he makes the hungry whole,  
gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

8 Alpha-Omega, unto whom shall bow  
all nations at the Doom, is with us now.

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

*Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee  
for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the  
spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy  
Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of  
thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very  
members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the  
blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs,  
through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly  
beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy  
grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do  
all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the  
Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end.  
Amen.*

## **Blessing**

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

## **Hymn 432**

### **O praise ye the Lord!**

1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
rejoice in his word, ye angels of light;  
ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made,  
and worship before him, in brightness arrayed.

2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him upon earth,  
in tuneful accord, all ye of new birth;  
praise him who hath brought you his grace from above,  
praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.

3 O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound;  
each jubilant chord re-echo around;  
loud organs, his glory forth tell in deep tone,  
and sweet harp, the story of what he hath done.

4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song  
to him be outpoured all ages along!  
For love in creation, for heaven restored,  
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

From *Book of Common Prayer 1979*  
Hymns from *Hymnal 1982*

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### **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

Calvary Episcopal Church, East Liberty, the Rev. Jonathon Jensen, the Rev. Leslie Reimer, the Rev. Neil Raman, the Rev. Carol Henley, and the Rev. Ruth Bosch Becker (ELCA); and the Bookstore at Calvary

### **Flowers placed on the altar to the greater glory of God**

#### **Next Week's Readings**

Acts 9:1-20

Psalm 30

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21: 1-19

*Sharing Christ's love unconditionally through  
transformational worship and service*