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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

THE REV. LESLIE J. HAGUE IS THE CELEBRANT AND PREACHER TODAY.

PRELUDE Chorale Prelude on "Gott Sei Dank" *Rob Roy Peery (1900-1973)*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 296 We know that Christ is raised *Engelberg*

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION *(please stand)*

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ has risen.

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

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.**

A SONG OF PRAISE **Glory to God** *Hymnal, S-278*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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.**

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.

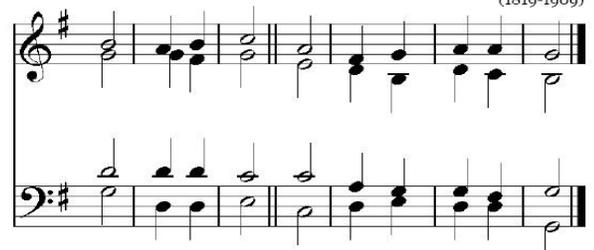
In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



PSALM 22:24-30

- 24 My praise is of him in the ¹great as¹sembly; *
I will perform my vows in the ¹presence of ¹those who ¹worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the ¹LORD shall ¹praise him: *
“May your ¹heart ¹live for ¹ever!”
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall ¹remember and ¹turn to the ¹LORD, *
and all the families of the ¹nations shall ¹bow be¹fore him.
- 27 For kingship be¹longs to the ¹LORD; *
he ¹rüles ¹over the ¹nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow ¹down in ¹worship; *
all who go down to the ¹düst ¹fall be¹fore him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;
my des¹cendants shall ¹serve him; *
they shall be ¹known as the ¹LORD’s for ¹ever.
- †30 They shall come and make known to a ¹people yet un¹born *
the saving ¹deeds that ¹he has ¹done.

A READING FROM 1 JOHN 3:16-24

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but

perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 297 **Descend, O Spirit, purging flame**

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THE GOSPEL

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 15:1-8.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

THE REV. LESLIE J. HAGUE

A quiet time for reflection follows the sermon.

All standing

THE NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate
from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy catholic church;
People **That we all may be one.**

Intercessor Grant that every member of the church may truly and humbly serve you;
People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Intercessor We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Intercessor We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Intercessor Give to the departed eternal rest.
People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. We raise up to you all those who are in need of our prayers, especially those on the All Saints' prayer list, and those we name either silently or aloud. *Silence*

Intercessor We thank you for our many blessings and give thanks for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week, especially those we name either silently or aloud. *Silence*

Intercessor We lift up to you those we love but see no longer, and those we name either silently or aloud. *Silence*

Celebrant Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Holy Eucharist, Prayer D

During the offertory anthem, we invite your offerings for All Saints' ministry of sharing God's love with the world. You may place your offering in the plates passed by the ushers or scan our QR code to give online.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM Christ the Lord is Risen Again *Philip W. J. Stopford (b.1977)*
Christ the Lord is risen again, Christ hath broken every chain. Hark, angelic voice cry, singing evermore on high. Alleluia!

He who gave for us his life, who for us endured the strife, is our Paschal Lamb today; we too sing for joy, and say, Alleluia!

He who bore all pain and loss comfortless upon the cross, lives in glory now on high, pleads for us, and hears our cry.

He who slumbered in the grave is exalted now to save; now through Christendom it rings that the Lamb is King of kings. Alleluia!

Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed, Christ, thy ransomed people feed; take our sins and guilt away; let us sing by night and day Alleluia!

OFFERTORY HYMN 514 To thee, O Comforter divine

St Bartholomew's

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Celebrant and People

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

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Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your

right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all your people of All Saints Episcopal Church and those who seek your truth. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**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

FRACTION ANTHEM

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Celebrant and People

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

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

You are invited to receive Holy Communion, an ancient practice intended for all baptized Christians, no matter your tradition. You may receive just the Bread or both the Bread and the Wine. Alternative to sipping directly from the cup, you may hold the Bread up between your fingers; the chalice bearer will dip the Bread in the chalice for you, then place the Bread on your tongue. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the priest. For those not receiving Holy Communion, you may also cross your arms over your chest for a blessing.

COMMUNION ANTHEM God so loved the world John Stainer (1840-1901)
from *The Crucifixion*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoso believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoso believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. God so loved the world.

**A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION SAID BY THOSE NOT PRESENT
AT HOLY COMMUNION**

Celebrant In union, O Lord, with the faithful of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all the love of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live in you, and may you live in us, both in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH OF THE EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Officiant Mother Leslie, we send you out to share communion this week with our fellow Episcopalians and friends at John Knox Village.

People **May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.**

Officiant May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 657 Love divine, all loves excelling *Hyfrydol*

THE DISMISSAL

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

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Thanks to Dan Bishop and the All Saints Choir for our music today.
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or St. James Music Press 14939



The Altar Flowers this week are given to the Glory of God and
in memory of George Hilton Benefield, Sr. (father of Dan Benefield),
honoring the 95th anniversary of his birth, April 29, 1929,
by Dan Benefield and Gary Arnold.

The Sanctuary Candle this week is given to the Glory of God and
in memory of Bob Daugherty on the occasion of
what would have been his 77th birthday on April 29th
by Michael Lee.



1ST QUARTER UPDATE FROM THE ASEC TREASURER

During the Town Hall Meeting last November, participants asked that we provide quarterly updates on our financial status. This report is for the first three months of 2024.

By now, most of you should have received the first Quarter Pledge Statement for 2024. If not, please contact Michael Lee, Parish Administrator. It is always a good idea to look at that report and ensure the total pledge amount is correct, and that your contributions for the first three months reflect what you paid.

Overall, we are running slightly ahead on payments against Pledges for the first three months. That is a good thing. And financially, our adjusted net income (total operating income minus total operating expenses) is \$16,026 compared with a budgeted net income of \$18,423. The adjustment is for a timing issue related to a payment. Total income was very close to budget, while expenses were \$2,392 over budget. Expenses should come back in line with the budget during the next several months.

Respectfully,
Rich Clarke, Treasurer

PEANUT BUTTER AND 'JAM'BOREE TODAY AFTER THE 10:30 SERVICE.

We are supplying sandwiches to the Holy Grill in Pompano and Laundry Love.

We have a bountiful supply of peanut butter, but we can always use more jam and bread. Please join us for this valuable ministry and a fun time together !

BLESSINGS TO ALL CELEBRATING THIS WEEK OF APRIL 28 – MAY 4

Birthdays

**Richard Barkett, Juliana Blaylock-Ukiomogbe, Gail Cote,
Bob Everson, Maggie Kepler, James Leahy, David Matthews,
Jean Meisels, Dylan Reiss, Deb Workman**

Please join us online or in person each Wednesday at 12:05 p.m. for our

WEDNESDAY HEALING AND PRAYER SERVICE

WITH THE HOLY EUCHARIST

MAY 1, 2024

THE COMMEMORATION OF SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, *Apostles*

NOTE: *Vespers returns to St. Luke's Chapel as well as Vimeo & Facebook.*

Please join us in person or online each Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. for our

VESPERS ~ EVENING PRAYER RITE II

MAY 2, 2024

THE COMMEMORATION OF ATHANASIUS OF ALEXANDERIA, *Bishop and Theologian*

Please join us online each evening, except Thursday, at 8:30 p.m. for our

SERVICE OF COMPLINE.

Our Church is Celebrating its 75th Birthday!

Christmas Eve this year will mark the 75th anniversary of the congregation's march from the old All Saints church building to the new church here on Tarpon Drive.

Share Your Favorite Memories

One of the things we love most about our All Saints community is that our parishioners all have their own stories! In celebration of our 75th Anniversary, we would love for you to share your experience as a member of our family and why you chose to make All Saints your home in faith. Visit our website's Memories page (<https://allsaintsfl.org/75th-anniversary-memories/>) where you can record a video of yourself and upload it to the link below, or submit photos and a short write-up. We can't wait to hear what you have to say!

ALL SAINTS TOWN HALL MEETINGS

With so much going on in the parish, we've decided to hold regular Town Hall meetings, primarily via Zoom. Zoom allows a greater number of parish members to join in and participate. These meetings will be scheduled during the next year or so, probably on a quarterly basis.

The main topics for the Town Hall will be to provide updates about the on-going process Vestry is taking related to the transition to a new Rector. The Town Hall will be used to keep you updated on our process and progress. In addition, we plan to update the parish on important activities within our parish community, and to report routinely on the results of the Stewardship Campaign and financial performance.

The first **Town Hall meeting for 2024 will be held on Wednesday, May 15th at 6:30pm.** This is an especially important town hall. The Wardens, Vestry, Treasurer and Mother Leslie will talk about the nuts and bolts of the transition and outline the plans for the months after Mother Leslie's departure. You'll hear more about the role of the diocese and the bishop as well as how parishioners can be involved in keeping our ministries active. There will also be time for Q&A. We urge parishioners to join us for this conversation.



Dear Friends, Donors, Volunteers and Supporters of Laundry Love South Florida:

We are holding a Thank You Continental Breakfast for all Laundry Love South Florida supporters on Saturday, May 4, 2024, at 10 a.m. at All Saints Church, 333 Tarpon Drive, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301. It will be held in Neaverson Chapel located on the left side of our church. Parking is available in our lot in front of the church, or if it is full, we will have additional parking in the lot on the other side of the church.

We want to be able to thank and recognize each of you, especially our donors, supporters and volunteers, for all that you've done to make Laundry Love South Florida successful! Anyone who has supported us in any way, at any of our Laundry Love South Florida locations, is invited to attend.

We will have a short presentation on our progress at Laundry Love South Florida, followed by a question and answer session where you can ask any questions that you may have.

Please respond to me at richardjmarkiewicz@gmail.com as soon as possible if you plan to attend, but no later than May 1.