

## Order of Public Worship of God

The Twelfth Day of May, Two Thousand Twenty-Four

*Sixth Sunday in Eastertide*

### PRELUDE

“We must not doubt what is more in accord with nature than against it. For it is as natural that all living things should rise again as it is unnatural that they should perish.”

- St. Ambrose, *On His Brother Satyrus* 2.57

“This ‘spiritual body’ will not only be better than any body on earth in perfect health but will surpass even that of Adam or Eve before their sin.”

- St. Augustine, *City of God* 13:20

“But the Lord was weaving  
a victory on his war-loom for the Weather-Geats.  
Through the strength of one they all prevailed;  
they would crush their enemy and come through  
in triumph and gladness.”

- *Beowulf*, line 696ff



### OPENING PRAYER

**Almighty God,**  
**Who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ**  
**overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:**  
**Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord’s resurrection,**  
**may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit;**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord,**  
**who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,**  
**one God, now and forever.**  
**Amen.**

### † HYMN OF WORSHIP | “Arise My Soul Arise”

**Arise my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears,**  
**The bleeding sacrifice, in my behalf appears.**  
**Before the throne my surety stands**  
**Before the throne my surety stands**  
**My name is written on his hands.**

*Chorus:*

**Arise (arise), Arise (arise), Arise - Arise my soul arise.**  
**Arise (arise), Arise (arise), Arise - Arise my soul arise.**  
**Shake off your guilty fears and rise.**

**He ever lives above, for me to intercede.**  
**His all redeeming love, his precious blood to plead.**  
**His blood atoned for every race**  
**His blood atoned for every race**  
**And sprinkles now the throne of grace. (chorus)**

**Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary.**  
**They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me.**  
**Forgive him, O forgive, they cry**  
**Forgive him, O forgive, they cry**  
**Nor let that ransomed sinner die. (chorus)**

**My God is reconciled, his pard’ning voice I hear.**  
**He owns me for his child, I can no longer fear.**

**With confidence I now draw nigh**  
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**And Father, Abba Father, cry! (chorus)**

### † CALL TO WORSHIP | I Corinthians 15:55-57

O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?  
**The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.**  
But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.  
He is risen!  
**He is risen indeed!**

### † HYMNS OF THANKSGIVING | “Psalm 126”

**Our mouths they were filled, filled with laughter**  
**Our tongues they were loosed, loosed with joy**  
**Restore us, O Lord; restore us, O Lord.**

*Refrain:*

**Although we are weeping, Lord, help us keep sowing**  
**The seeds of your Kingdom for the day you will reap them.**  
**Your sheaves we will carry, Lord, please do not tarry**  
**All those who sow weeping will go out with songs of joy.**

**The nations will say, “He has done great things!”**  
**The nations will sing songs of joy**  
**Restore us, O Lord; restore us, O Lord. (refrain)**

“Before the Throne of God Above”

**Before the throne of God above, I have a strong, a perfect plea,**  
**A great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.**  
**My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart;**  
**I know that while in heav’n he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,**  
**no tongue can bid me thence depart.**

**When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,**  
**Upward I look and see him there, who made an end to all my sin.**  
**Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free,**  
**For God, the Just, is satisfied to look on him and pardon me,**  
**to look on him and pardon me.**

**Behold him there: the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness,**  
**The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace!**  
**One with himself, I cannot die; my soul is purchased by his blood;**  
**My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God,**  
**with Christ, my Savior and my God.**

### INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

**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 debts**  
**as we forgive our debtors,**  
**and lead us not into temptation,**  
**but deliver us from evil.**  
**For thine is the kingdom,**  
**and the power, and the glory forever.**  
**Amen.**

### GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### MUSICAL OFFERING

### † CORPORATE PROFESSION OF FAITH | The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,**  
**maker of heaven and earth,**  
**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,**  
**who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,**  
**born of the virgin Mary,**  
**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**  
**was crucified, dead, and buried.**  
**he descended into Hell.**  
**The third day He rose again from the dead**  
**He ascended into heaven**  
**and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**  
**From there He will come to judge the quick and the dead.**  
**I believe in the Holy Ghost,**  
**the holy catholic church,**  
**the communion of saints,**  
**the forgiveness of sins,**  
**the resurrection of the body,**  
**and life everlasting. Amen.**

### † DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**  
**Praise Him, all creatures here below;**  
**Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host:**  
**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### † GREETING

*Junior Worship begins for children age four through first grade. Please escort children to the following classrooms.  
Preschool - Room 10; Kindergarten and First Grade - Room 9. Children will return to sit with their families  
before communion.*

### READING OF GOD’S WORD | I Corinthians 15: 35-49

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON | Series: The Resurrection of the Dead

Sermon: “Heavenly Bodies”  
- Rev. Joshua Smith

### PRAYER FOR GRACE AND INVITATION TO THE TABLE

### SILENT CONFESSION

### CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**Almighty and most merciful Father,**  
**We are thankful that your mercy is**  
**higher than the heavens,**  
**wider than our wanderings,**  
**deeper than all our sin.**  
**Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes,**  
**our refusal to relieve the suffering of others,**  
**our envy of those who have more than we have,**  
**our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure,**  
**our indifference to the treasures of heaven,**  
**our neglect of your wise and gracious law.**  
**Help us to change our way of life**  
**so that we may desire what is good,**

love what you love,  
and do what you command,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Psalm 103: 8, 13

The Lord is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love...  
As a father shows compassion to his children,  
so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND SHARING OF THE CUP

**How do we take communion here at St. Patrick?**

*As the ushers come past your row, please come to the front, take one piece of bread and one cup of wine or juice. Consume these immediately and dispose of your cups in the receptacle on the side as you return to your seat. Each table serves both wine and grape juice, and all of our bread is gluten-free.*

**Who comes to the Table?**

*Communion is open to all baptized believers who have made a profession of faith in Jesus. If you have children who have not made a profession of faith, they are not ready to partake of the elements, but please bring them forward to be blessed by one of our elders. If you are not a believer but want to know more about Jesus, you are invited to come forward and simply bypass the table, letting one of the leaders know that you would like to learn more about what it means to know and belong to Jesus.*

† HYMN OF ASSURANCE | “Crown Him With Many Crowns”

**Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne!  
Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.  
Awake my soul and sing of him who died for thee,  
And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity!**

**Crown him the Lord of love! Behold his hands and side,  
Rich wounds yet visible above, in beauty glorified.  
All hail redeemer hail, for thou hast died for me;  
Thy praise shall never, never fail, throughout eternity!**

**Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o’er the grave  
And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save!  
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,  
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die!**

† BENEDICTION | Revelation 5:12-13

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth  
and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!  
**To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor  
and glory and might forever and ever!**  
Alleluia! He is risen!  
**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*Scripture tells us to make our needs known to God, and to call others to pray with and for us.  
If you would like prayer, elders will be standing in the front of the sanctuary (pulpit side)  
immediately following the service to pray with you.*



Helpful Links:



*If you are new to St. Patrick or have a prayer request, please fill out the portion below.  
You may place your liturgy in the offering plate or in the designated basket in the Narthex as you leave.*

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