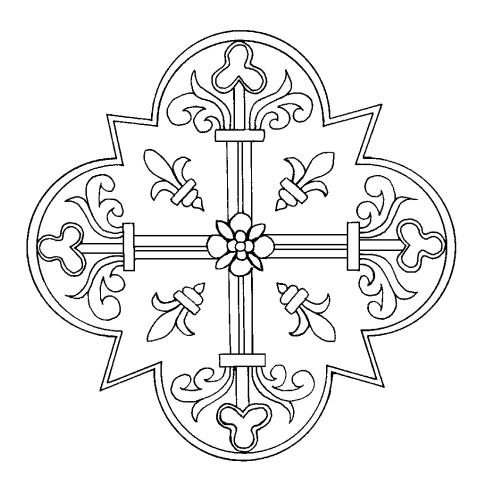
The Sixth Sunday in Easter May 25, 2025 – 10:15 a.m.



St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church Serving our community, the world, and each other through the love of Jesus Christ.

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Welcome! We are a diverse community committed to carrying out Christ's mission in the world around us, strengthened, nurtured, and guided by the presence of the Holy Spirit. Some of us were born into the Episcopal Church, some of us were received into it as adults, and some of us are discovering it for the first time. We come from various occupations, family configurations, educational backgrounds, interests, and talents. We have found hospitality here, and invite you to join us.

Our religious tradition is best known for the beauty of its Anglican music and liturgy. Contemporary issues are tested by the standards of scripture, tradition, reason, and experience. The conscience of the individual is highly respected, and corporate worship is the means by which Christ shapes our moral values, nurtures and guides our spiritual formation, shapes the character and community of the faithful, and equips us for mission and ministry. If you are not currently active in another congregation, please accept this invitation to worship with us, and to make our church your own.

The Sixth Sunday in Easter May 25, 2025				
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist				
Prelude				
Hymn 492		Sing Ye Faithful	Finnian	
Opening Acclamation				
Celebrant People				
Gloria S-280		Gloria in excelsis	Powell	
The Collect				
Celebrant People	The Lord be with you. And also with you.			

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The Lessons

Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

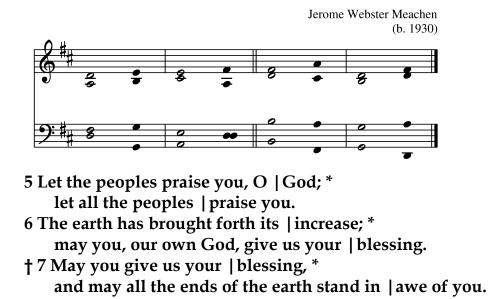
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 67

People



- 1 Be merciful to us, O God, and |bless us, * show us the light of your countenance and |come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon |earth, * your saving health among all |nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O |God; * let all the peoples praise |you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for |joy, * for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon |earth.



† Second half of the double chant

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Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

People

All stand in body or spirit

Hymn 213 vs. 1

Come Away to the Skies

Middlebury

John 5:1-9

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

After Jesus healed the son of the official in Capernaum, there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids-- blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

People The Gospel of the Lord.*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Hymn 213 vs. 2

Come Away to the Skies

Middlebury

Sermon

The Rev. John Bolin Shellito

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

Leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

For your one, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church throughout the world. For Mark, Gayle, Mark, and Bud, our bishops; for John, James, and Robert, our clergy; and for all bishops, presbyters, and deacons. For this holy gathering and for all who enter here with faith, reverence, and hope. **Spirit of God, have mercy upon us.**

For all who are needy, hurting, lonely, or sick; for all those who mourn; and especially for all those we now name out loud or silently in our hearts ______. For the world, that it may reflect the splendor of God and that all its peoples may share in the divinity of Christ. **Spirit of God, have mercy upon us.**

For all refugees and migrants, and for all who have been displaced by poverty, disaster, or war. **Spirit of God, have mercy upon us.**

Remembering the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Barnabas, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. **Spirit of God, have mercy upon us.**

The Priest offers the Concluding Collect: Collect by the Education for Ministry class: Reflecting on the Episcopal Church and South African Refugees

God does not play favorites. The world is slow to love, often unfair, and double-minded. We ask for wisdom, empathy, the ability to accept others, and the courage and strength to speak truth to power. We ask for mercy on behalf of refugees. We confess to being blind, uncaring, making quick judgments about others, and resting easy in our comfort. We give thanks for those who speak out and stand up. We come together in awe and wonder at strength of courageous individuals. So that we can follow in their example. In the name of God, who loves us all no matter what. Amen

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

The Prayers for Birthdays & Anniversaries

All those with Birthdays and Anniversaries this week are invited to be recognized.

Watch over your *child/children* [____], O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when they stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *their lives*; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

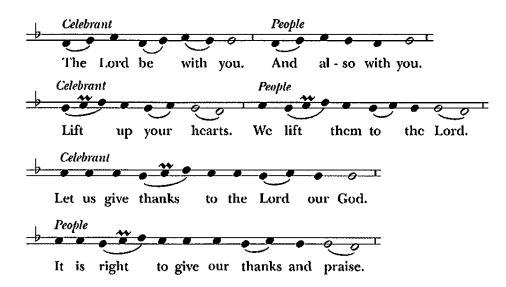
O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants [______ and ______ etc], that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Table

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem	Where Charity and Love Prevail	Cheshire	
Doxology 380 v. 3	Praise to God	Old 100	
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.			

Enriching Our Worship Prayer 3



Celebrant

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; you brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout for joy:

Sanctus S-130

Holy, Holy, Holy

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you call a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. Enriching Our Worship

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the New Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Celebrant and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Celebrant continues

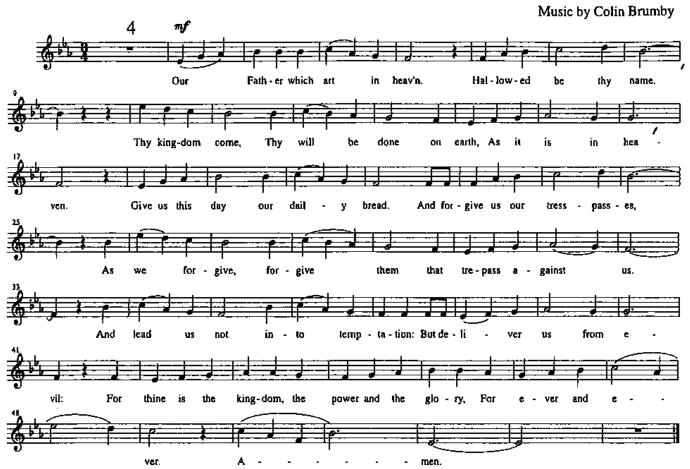
Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Elizabeth, blessed Barnabas, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

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

People and Celebrant



The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem: S-154

Celebrant

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

D. Hurd

WLP 825	Bless the Lord, My Soul	Taizé
Hymn 487	Come My Way, My Truth, My Light	The Call

After Communion, the Celebrant says,

Let us pray.

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

The Blessing

Hymn 583

O Holy City

Morning Song

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God.

CALENDAR

Sunday, May 18	
8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
9:30 AM	Adult Forum – Library
10:15 AM	Holy Eucharist followed by Coffee Hour
1:00 PM	Oneness Mission Church (until 3:30 PM)
4:30 PM	Ryder's Rounders (until 9PM)
5:30 PM	Ladies' Night Out Al Anon - Lyles Room (until 7 PM)
Monday, May 19	
10:00 AM	Serenity Seekers Al-Anon – Richardson Room
10.00 / 1101	(until 11 AM)
Tuesday, May 20	
10:00 AM	Barnabees Craft Group - Richardson Room
3:45 PM	Annandale Safe Youth Project – Richardson Room (Until 6PM)
7:00 PM	Education for Ministry Meeting - Zoom (Until 9PM)
Wednesday, May 21	
10:00 AM	Wednesday Worship - Library
3:45 PM	Annandale Safe Youth Project – Richardson Room
	(Until 6PM)
7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal – Lyles' Room
8:30 PM	AA Barnabas Group - Richardson Room
Thursday, May 22	
10:00 AM	Tai Chi – Richardson Room (until 11AM)
3:45 PM	Annandale Safe Youth Project – Richardson Room
	(Until 6PM)
6:30 PM	Ryder's Rounders – Richardson Room (until 9PM)

Sunday, May 25	
8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
9:30 AM	Adult Forum – Library
10:15 AM	Holy Eucharist followed by Coffee Hour
1:00 PM	Oneness Mission Church (until 3:30 PM)
4:30 PM	Ryder's Rounders (until 9PM)
5:30 PM	Ladies' Night Out Al Anon - Lyles Room (until 7 PM)

Participants in the services today are:

8:00 a.m.

Vestry Leader/Closer Acolyte Lector Chalicist Opener **10:15 a.m.** Acolytes Lectors Chalicist Usher Coffee Hour Hosts Flower Guild Flower Delivery Counters Altar Guild Leigh Kennedy Katie Westerlund Cindy McLaughlin Michael Dugger Molly Newling

Amos, Declan, Katie Michael Dugger, Cindy McLaughlin Cindy McLaughlin, Michael Dugger Tim Greer Maria Bottlick Lisa Verstandig Ellen Riddle Linda Hartman, Norma Ricketts Molly Newling, Maria Bottlick, Sheena Friend

Participants in the services on June 1 are:

8:00 a.m. Vestry Leader/Closer Acolyte Lector Chalicist Opener 10:15 a.m. Acolytes Lectors Chalicist Usher **Coffee Hour Hosts** Flower Guild Flower Delivery Counters Altar Guild

Camille Mittelholtz Michael Dugger Cindy McLaughlin Cindy McLaughlin Wendy Williams

Blue, Adam, Ciaran, Cindy Michael Dugger, Cindy McLaughlin Michael Dugger, Ellen Riddle Ken Mittelholtz Diana & Tim Greer Anne Radway Hugh Agnew Katie Westerlund, Ed Ing Jocelyn Leatherwood, Kristen Anderson, Beth Crutchley

Land Acknowledgement

We remember and honor the Indigenous people of the world, especially the Piscataway Conoy Nation, whose land we now occupy in this region that was once their home, and that was taken from them. We give thanks for them and their care for this land. May we always remember that the Earth does not belong to us; rather, we are charged with stewardship of the Earth, and are all members of our Creator's family. We ask God to help us learn from our past mistakes and be instruments of justice and peace for all people, particularly the original Indigenous inhabitants.