

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

THE SUNDAY after THE ASCENSION

May 16, 2021

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

We ask everyone to abide by the following measures as recommended by the CDC and required by state regulations and our host facility:

STAY HOME IF SICK. Stay home if you or anyone in your home has been sick or had symptoms of illness in the last 24 hours.

PHYSICAL DISTANCING. Maintain physical distancing, six feet whenever possible, between yourself and everyone who does not live with you.

FACE COVERINGS. Everyone older than five is required to wear face covering.

WASH HANDS. Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

Modifications to our Service:

HOLY COMMUNION. The celebrant will drop bread in your hands without touching you. If you desire to also receive wine, you may bring a cup from home. The chalice bearer will pour a small amount of wine into your cup for you (and your family). Receiving only the bread is an acceptable way of receiving full communion.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Congregational responses are indicated in **boldface**.

Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise

Words: Charles Wesley, 1739, and Thomas Cotterill, 1820, alt., P.D.; Music: Robert Williams, 1817, P.D.



THE ACCLAMATION

The People standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia! Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

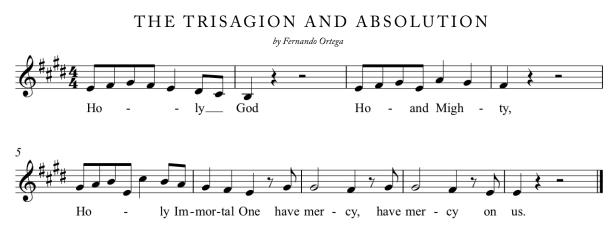
Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

MATTHEW 22:37-40

THE CONFESSION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.



THE GLORIA

All Glory Be to God on High

Vers. and music attr. Nikolaus Decius, 1539; ALLEIN GOTT; Text under copyright



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR CHILDREN

Children 10 and under may attend Children's Chapel at this time and return at The Peace.

Almighty God, heavenly father, you have blessed our congregation with the joy and care of children: Give us courage, patience, and wisdom, as we bring them up in the faith, that they may never know a day apart from your love and care; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE LESSONS

EXODUS 28:1-4, 9-10, 29-30 After the Lesson the Reader says

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

PSALM 47

¹ Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

² For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

³ He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.

⁴ He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

⁵ God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

⁶ Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

⁷ For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!

⁸ God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.

⁹ The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

I JOHN 5:6-15 After the Lesson the Reader says

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





JOHN 17:11B-19 All stand for the Gospel as the Priest reads, first saying The Holy Cospel of our Lord Josus Christ a

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

After the Gospel, the Priest says

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

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

All stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant first saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and for the world saying, "hear our prayer."

Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

The leader will invite us to pray silently and then to pray aloud.

THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. And with your spirit.

THE OFFERTORY

As a health precaution we are not passing an offering basket at this time. You may place an offering in the basket at the entrance, give online at holycrossva.org/give, text "Give" to 434–277–4975, or mail a check to PO Box 614, Crozet, VA 22932.

Doxology

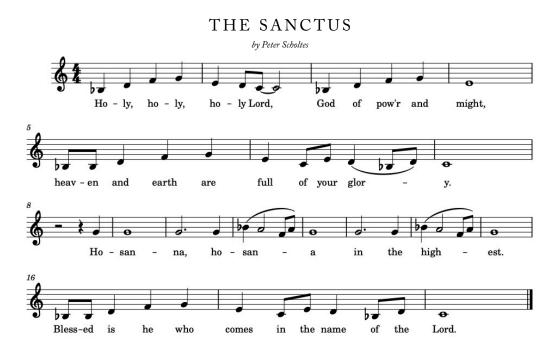
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Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

THE SURSUM CORDA

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**



THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The Celebrant and the People say together

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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 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 forever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross. **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The celebrant will, as always, wash and sanitize his hands before the service and again right before communion.

To receive communion, come forward as directed by the usher. Please maintain physical distance in the communion line. Extend both of your hands, crossed together, and the priest will drop the bread into your hands without contact. Glutenfree bread is available upon request.

If you desire to receive wine, please bring a chalice or cup from home. The chalice bearer will pour a small amount of wine into your cup for you (and your family). After receiving the bread (and wine), return to your seats, and remove your face covering to consume the bread and wine.

If you do not desire to commune, you may come forward to receive a blessing or remain seated.

All baptized Christians who trust in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, seek to lead a new life by God's mercies, and strive to walk in love and charity with their neighbors are welcome at this table.

PERSONAL PRAYERS FOR USE DURING COMMUNION

For those who Desire to Commit to the Christian Faith

Lord Jesus Christ, I am broken by sin and unable to save myself. I believe that you died for me, bearing my punishment on the cross, and that you offer me forgiveness and new life in you. I turn from my sins and trust in you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

For those in Search of Truth

God, I am uncertain whether you exist and whether you are listening to me now. I want to know the truth, and I am willing to live according to it. If you are there, please reveal yourself to me and give me faith that leads to the abundant life promised by Jesus Christ. Amen.

For those who Desire a Deeper Faith

Almighty and eternal God, so draw my heart to you, so guide my mind, so fill my imagination, so control my will, that I may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you; and then use me according to your will, for your glory and the welfare of your people. Amen.

Hosanna to the Prince of Light

Words: Isaac Watts, 1709, alt. Kimbrough, 2012; Music: © 2012 Wendell Kimbrough; CCLI Song #7023057

Hosanna to the Prince of light, that clothed himself in clay; Entered the iron gates of death, and tore the bars away! Death no more is the king of dread, since our Savior rose; He took Satan's sting away, and spoiled our ancient foe.

See how the Conqueror mounts aloft, and to his Father flies, With scars of honor in his flesh and triumph in his eyes. There our Savior exalted reigns, blessings he scatters down; Jesus sits at the Father's throne and wears the heav'nly crown.

Lift up your voices, mortal tongues, to reach his blessed home; Sweet is the music of your songs to our incarnate God. Angels strike your loudest strings, sweet your voices raise; Heav'n and all creation sings to join our Savior's praise!



Crown Him With Many Crowns Public Domain. Text: Matthew Bridges (1800-1894) and Godfrey Thring (1823-1903); Tune: George J. Elvey (1816-1893) 1 Crown him with ma ny crowns, the Lamb up on his throne. 2 Crown him the Lord of life, tri umphed o'er the who grave, 3 Crown him the Lord of love; be hold his hands and side, 4 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time, 5 カ Hark! them drowns all how the heaven ly an mu sic but its own. and rose vic to rious in the strife for those he came to save; rich wounds, yet vi si ble bove, in beau ty glo ri fied; а the rol ling_spheres, in ef - fa - bly blime. cre a - tor of su -10 0 wake, him who died for and sing of thee, A my soul, died his glo ries now we sing who and rose on high, no an gels in the sky can ful ly bear that sight, All hail, Re dee hail! for thou hast died for - mer, me; 0. 16 15 00 hail him match less king through all and as thy e ni ter ty. who died e ter nal life to bring, and lives that death may die. ward bends their but down bur ning eye at ste ries so bright. my ver shall fail through - out thy praise ne - ver, ne e - ter - ni ty.

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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ: and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

And now Father, send us out into the world to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING



THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia. Alleluia. Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pentecost Party Join us immediately after church on May 23 for a Pentecost Party at Fidelis Farm! The church will provide BBQ chicken. If you'd be willing to contribute to the meal, sign up online. Please bring a picnic blanket or lawn chair. Everyone's encouraged to wear red on Pentecost Sunday!

Crozet Raised Volunteers are needed to support Crozet Raised, a new ministry formed to address food scarcity in our community. Each Saturday, Legaci Eats provides hot, homemade meals to 200 of our neighbors. Food is prepared off-site. Volunteers are needed to help package the meals (11:30 AM – 2 PM) or deliver the meals (1 PM – 2 PM) to those in need who are not able to pick up at Crozet Baptist Church. Visit Legaci Eats' Facebook page to learn more and to sign up for a Saturday shift. Questions? Contact Meg Clute at meg.clute@gmail.com.

Holy Cross Prayer Ministry A team of parishioners is available to pray daily for needs within the parish. Send prayer requests to Tom Harrison at thar65@gmail.com, and he will forward them to team members. All requests are held in strict confidence.

Gluten-free Communion Bread As requested, we now have a gluten-free bread option for communion. If you'd prefer a gluten-free wafer, just ask when receiving bread from the priest.

Evening Prayer Join us online via Zoom for Evening Prayer at 5 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays (holycrossva.org/morning-and-evening-prayer).

Daily Prayer Booklets The prayer booklets include readings for Easter and Pentecost. Families with young children may appreciate the simplified version also available. Download these booklets through our website (holycrossva.org/common-prayer), or let Kate know if you'd like printed copies.

Charlottesville Church Plant In partnership with our Diocese, we are in the beginning stages of planting a parish in Charlottesville. If you are interested in learning more about this work, visit (holycrossva.org/ charlottesville).

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