

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 24, 2020



*Ascension of Christ - Benvenuto Tisi (or Il Garofalo)
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Welcome to all who are watching online services. The Episcopal Church of the Annunciation is here "to bear witness to God's love and invite, encourage, and prepare God's people to share that grace with others". You will notice rubrics in place throughout the service for kneeling or standing, as well as singing along to hymns. You are invited to participate however you wish.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Prelude

The Word of God

Processional Hymn 718 (vs. 1&4)

God of our Fathers

1 God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor through the
skies, our grateful songs before thy throne
arise.

4 Refresh thy people on their toilsome way,
lead us from night to never-ending day;
fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

The Easter Acclamation

BCP 355

Celebrant † Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

The Collect for Purity

BCP 355

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 Gloria In Excelsis

S280

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

The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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 Lessons

The First Lesson

Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Lector **The Word of the Lord.**

People **Thanks be to God**

The Response: Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

Exsurgat Deus

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered;
let those who hate him flee before him.
- 2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind
drives it away; as the wax melts at the fire,
so let the wicked perish at the presence of
God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before
God; let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;
exalt him who rides upon the heavens;
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before
him!
- 5 Father of orphans, defender of widows,
God in his holy habitation!
- 6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth
prisoners into freedom;
but the rebels shall live in dry places.
- 7 O God, when you went forth before your
people, when you marched through the
wilderness,

- 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down
rain, at the presence of God, the God of
Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of
Israel.
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your
inheritance; you refreshed the land when it
was weary.
- 10 Your people found their home in it; in your
goodness, O God, you have made
provision for the poor.
- 33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing
praises to the Lord.
- 34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens;
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.
- 35 Ascribe power to God; his majesty is over
Israel; his strength is in the skies.
- 36 How wonderful is God in his holy places! the
God of Israel giving strength and power to
his people! Blessed be God!

The Second Lesson

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Lector **The Word of the Lord.**

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 603 (vs. 1&4)

1 When Christ was lifted from the earth,
his arms stretched out above
through every culture, every birth,
to draw an answering love.

When Christ was lifted from the earth

4 Thus freely loved, though fully known,
may I in Christ be free
to welcome and accept his own
as Christ accepted me.

The Holy Gospel

John 17:1-11

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

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed." I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

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

The Homily

The Rev. Paul McCabe

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

**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.**

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

The Peace

BCP 360

Jesus said, Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you. During this time of shelter in place may you receive this peace, which Jesus offers to all.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory Music by Joe Lozier, piano

Hallelujah (Cohen)

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with one of the sentences from the Book of Common Prayer or with some other sentence of Scripture. Please be seated.

The Presentation Hymn 380

Praise God, Vs.3

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.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

The Celebrant, faces them and sings or says

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 him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus and Benedictus S 130

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Celebrant and People

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

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

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we

may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. Then may be said or sung by all

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

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.

Communion Music by Scott Lozier, violin

Ashokan Farewell

The Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

The Blessing

The Celebrant may bless the people.

Recessional Hymn 494 (vs. 1&5)

Crown him with many crowns

1 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.

5 Crown him the Lord of heaven,
enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King, to whom is given
the wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns,
as thrones before him fall,
crown him, ye kings, with many crowns,
for he is King of all.

The Dismissal

BCP 366

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

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

Postlude

ECA humbly remembers with gratitude and pride all the men and women who served this great country and died protecting our freedoms. May this Memorial Day be filled with remembrance and peace.

The Flowers on The Altar Are Given to The Glory of God with Love by Shiras Guion Who Celebrated an Anniversary and Birthday This Month and With Thanksgiving For Friends And Family.

*The Flowers on The Altar are also Given to The Glory of God by Cal Beck
In Memory of Calvin L. Beck, Sr.*

Prayer List

Walt, Susan, John, Elizabeth, Tom, Art, Milton, Lauren, Liz, Foster, Kevin, Jennifer, Ed, Sherrie, Connie, Irene, Tom, Dick, Nick, Chris & AJ, Lynda, Elizabeth, Christine, Jess, Joan, Scott, Pam, Bill, Dianne, Todd, Michael, Nick Ramsey, Lethia, Paula, Sarah, Noel, The family of Greg Wilkens, Miller, Ashley, Adrian, Jessie, John, The Normans, the Halls, and the Stinchcombs; For all those affected by COVID-19, for our Vestry; for those in the armed forces especially: Donnie, Geoff, Bob, Lawrence, Matt, Tod, Nathan, Ryan, Mark, and Daniel, and for any unspoken prayers.

Prayers for the Departed

We pray for the repose of the soul of Art Staden, may he rest in peace and rise in glory!

Birthdays

Anna Williams	5/24	Matt Reaves	5/25
Maria Chadwick	5/25	Lucas Lee	5/26
Tom Jacobsen	5/27		

Anniversaries

Chris & Mary Bass	5/26
Stephen & Barbara Buckley	5/30

Drive-By Communion Today and Next week for Pentecost

ECA will continue to offer 'drive-by' communion while following CDC guidelines every-other week. The next scheduled communion date is this Sunday, May 24th from 10:30am to 12:30pm following the streamed Sunday services. *Note: ECA will also host drive-by communion next week, May 31st, for Pentecost Sunday.*

Reach Drive-By Food Drive Today, Sunday May 23

Reach Ministries at ECA will host another drive-by food drive today from 10:30-12:30pm. Simply drive by the church to donate items for Papa's Pantry and Never Alone. Thank you to all who have made this a huge success in the past! Needs this week: Papa's Pantry- Mac & Cheese; Boxed Pasta, Pasta Sauce; Canned meat, potatoes, peas, mixed veggies, fruit & chicken soup; Jelly; Personal hygiene items.

Never Alone- Cereal; Canned tuna & chicken; Canned fruit, chili and spaghetti o's, ravioli, etc.; Pasta sauce; Dried Beans; Feminine Hygiene; Deodorant & personal hygiene items.

Adult Christian Formation class Sundays at 10:30a.m. via Zoom

Those who are interested can participate in our Adult Christian formation class via Zoom. We may use another platform, but at this time, those who are interested can contact Ron Allen at ronallenga@yahoo.com or contact Fr. Paul for Zoom meeting information. Current topics have been about how to adjust to the current COVID-19 climate as a faithful Christian in a divided community.

Limited Activities on ECA Property now allowed by Diocese of Atlanta

The bishop held a clergy zoom meeting on May 20, 2020 and gave further direction about in-person activities on the property. Members are now allowed to visit the memorial garden, landscaping maintenance and utilize the grounds. All CDC and Health dept guidelines are still in effect. This means no more than 10 people, physical distancing of 6ft, and wearing a mask is required. The Vestry has adopted guidelines for those who come on the property for outside activities and ask that ALL guidelines be followed to enable the property staying open for outside in-person activities.

Sign up for the ECA Newsletter

If you do not already receive the ECA weekly newsletter, you may sign up to have it delivered to your email in box weekly by [clicking here](#). Additionally, you may go to our web-page and sign up (simply scroll down and click on the sign up button).

Several Ways to Give During the Temporary Change in Activities and Worship

During the next few weeks we will not be able to gather in person at ECA. Unfortunately, our bills still come due. Please consider ways to give in your absence. For your convenience, ECA now offers online giving. It's fast and easy! Please note, there is a 2.2% fee plus \$0.30 per transaction the church incurs. Simply click the 'Online Giving" button on our website and designate what your funds are for. You can also set up Check Pay through your bank and designate to ECA. Additionally, you may mail your check or take it to the church and place in the securely locked mailbox at the street, address is 1673 Jamerson Rd. Marietta, GA 30066. We greatly appreciate your support during these difficult times!

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