

**Church of the Holy Apostles**  
**The Feast of the Ascension**  
**Sunday, May 29, 2022**

*Welcome to Holy Apostles!*

*This bulletin is your guide to worship and it has all that you need. Our worship is taken from the Book of Common Prayer. If you have any questions during the Liturgy, don't hesitate to ask an usher or a neighbor. If you are new or visiting, please make sure to introduce yourself to one of the priests after the service. Instructions on when to stand and sit are in italics and the prayers and songs that we all sing or say together will be in bold. We hope that you find it easy to follow along and we encourage you to sing out for our congregational hymns.*

**The Liturgy of the Word**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Processional Hymn: H-603 When Christ was Lifted From the Earth** *St. Botolph*  
**When Christ was lifted from the earth, his arms stretched out above**  
**Through every culture, every birth, to draw an answering love.**

**Still east and west his love extends and always, near or far,**  
**He calls and claims us as his friends and loves us as we are.**

**Where generation, class, or race divide us to our shame,**  
**He sees not labels but a face, a person, and a name.**

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

**Easter Acclamation**

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ is risen!  
*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**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.*

**Gloria: S280**

Robert Powell

**Glory to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.**  
**Lord God, heaven-ly King, a-lmigh-ty God and Fa-ther,**

**we wor-ship you we give you thanks we praise you for your glo-ry.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us;  
You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; receive our prayer.  
For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ,  
with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.**

**The Collect of the Day**

*Presider*      The Lord be with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

*Presider*      Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

*Please be seated for the lessons*

**The First Lesson**

**read by Laura Tyszka**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "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."

*After the reading*

*Reader*        The word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 93**

**read in unison**

**The Lord is King;**

**he has put on splendid apparel; \*  
the Lord has put on his apparel  
and girded himself with strength.**

**He has made the whole world so sure \*  
that it cannot be moved;  
Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; \*  
you are from everlasting.  
The waters have lifted up, O Lord,  
the waters have lifted up their voice; \*  
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.  
Mightier than the sound of many waters,  
mightier than the breakers of the sea, \*  
mightier is the Lord who dwells on high.  
Your testimonies are very sure, \*  
and holiness adorns your house, O Lord,  
for ever and for evermore.**

### **The Second Lesson**

**read by Glenn Jussen**

A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

*After the reading*

*Reader*           The word of the Lord.

*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand for the Gospel procession and reading*

### **Sequence Hymn H - 179 Welcome Happy Morning**

*Fortunatus*

**“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say:  
Hell today is vanquished, heaven is won today!  
Lo! The dead is living, God for evermore!  
Him their tru Creator, all his works adore!  
“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say.**

**Earth her joy confesses, clothing her for spring,  
All fresh gifts returned with her returning King:  
Bloom in every meadow, leaves on every bough,  
Speal his sorrow ended, hail his triumph now.  
“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say.**

## **The Holy Gospel**

*Before the Gospel*

*Priest*           The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke.

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you-- that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

*After the Gospel*

*Gospeller*           The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **The Sermon**

**The Rev. Sarah Kooperkamp**

*Please stand and say together*

### **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.**

*Please remain standing for the prayers*

### **The Prayers of the People**

**led by Annie Bonello**

You are free, Lord, your Ascension has set you free:  
free from the constraints of human existence,  
outside the limitations of time and space;  
free to be here with us now, in our worship and fellowship;

and free to be with us always;  
for in your freedom you have bound yourself to us with a promise:  
“Lo! I am with you always even to the very end of time.”

We pray, Lord, for those  
who need to feel you close, who need the assurance of your love,  
the encouragement of your Spirit.

We pray for those who are persecuted,  
who are discriminated against, because of their faith or race or economic status.

We pray for those who are imprisoned,  
who are tortured, who are exiled,  
because they have fought, struggled and spoken out  
for the rights of their people.

We pray for those who are destitute,  
who are hungry, who are refugees,  
because of the selfishness and apathy of the world.

We pray for those who are filled with guilt and shame,  
who are broken-hearted, who are perplexed,  
because a relationship has gone wrong.

We pray for those who are feeling fed up,  
who are in discomfort, who are afraid,  
because they are ill in body, mind or spirit.

We pray for those who are numbed,  
who are angry, who are desolate,  
because they have been bereaved.

We pray for those caught up in war, and violence, and hatred;  
especially the innocent victims of these evils.

We pray at this time of financial turmoil,  
for those who have lost jobs, those who struggle to pay bills,  
and those who have the power to affect positive change for more economic equality.

Be with us all, Lord:  
in all our daily struggles as we seek to follow you.  
Be with us all, Lord:  
in our periods of doubt and despair;  
and in our times of happiness, health and loving.  
Be with us all, Lord: until that time  
when in your in your Kingdom of Love our joy will know no end:

Dear people of God, I invite you to offer your prayers in the chat or aloud.

*You are invited to speak your intercessions aloud or to type them in the chat.*

### **The Peace**

*Presider*      The peace of the Lord be always with you!

*People*        **And also with you.**

## **The Holy Communion**

*This is God's Table: all are welcome*

### **The Offertory**

*You can give online via our website or use the offertory plate  
that is passed during the offertory.*

### **Offertory Anthem**

*Please stand as are able*

#### **Doxology**

*Old Hundredth*

**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 Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A**

*Presider*      The Lord be with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

*Presider*      Lift up your hearts.

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

*Presider*      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth... 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:

*Presider and People sing together;*

**The Sanctus LEVAS II 255** (*Mass for a Soulful People*)

Grayson Warren Brown

**Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.**

**Heaven and earth are filled with your glory, Hosanna in the highest.**

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

**Hosanna, in the highest, hosanna in the highest**

*The Presider continues,*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People,*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Presider continues,*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 LEVAS II 264**

A.H. Malotte

**Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by 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.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*Please remain standing and sing together*

**Fraction Anthem**

S. Shull

**We who are many, are one body,  
For we all share in the one bread,  
we all share in the one bread.**

*Please remain standing*

**Invitation to Communion**

These are the gifts for God for all of us, the people of God. Let us take them in remembrance that Christ died for us and feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Please come forward for communion following the invitation of the ushers.*

*If you wish to receive a prayer or blessing, one of the clergy will be available by the Mary statue.*

**Communion Anthem LEVAS-154 Taste and See**

James E. Moore, Jr

**[Refrain] Taste and see. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

**O Taste and see. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.**

1. I will bless the Lord at all times. God's praise shall always be on my lips; my soul shall glory in the Lord; for God has been so good to me.
2. Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us all praise God's name. I called the Lord and God answered me; from all my troubles God set me free.
3. Worship the Lord all you people. You'll want for nothing if you ask. Taste and see that God is good; in God we need put all our trust.

*All stand, and say together*

**Post Communion Prayer**

**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**

**Recessional Hymn H-460 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! (v. 1-3)**

*Hyfrydol*

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! His the triumph, his the victory alone;  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by his blood.**

**Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how:  
Though the cloud from sight received him, when the forty days were o'er,  
Shall our hearts forget his promise, "I am with you evermore"?**

**Alleluia! Bread of Heaven, thou on earth our food, our stay!  
Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to thee from day to day:  
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.**



**Parting Prayer** *sung to the tune of Edelweiss*

**May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever,  
bind your heart to his heart with a bond that nothing can sever.  
Give you light on the uphill road and courage in every endeavor.  
May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever.**

**The Dismissal**

**All are welcome for coffee, food and fellowship  
immediately after the service outside.**

## **Announcements**

### **Holy Apostles Parish Field Day**

**Sunday, June 12th after the 10am service**

#### **Prospect Park**

Join us for fun, food and fellowship in Prospect Park following the 10am service. Our first parish field day is open to all. Volunteers are needed to help organize food, BBQ, games and more. Please email Kirsten Kelly [kk@kirstenkelly.com](mailto:kk@kirstenkelly.com) or sign up on the google doc: [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1rWvT0e9nLeMQwUktBsqNVB9nZkg16FnVJ\\_-7lk1GoNc/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1rWvT0e9nLeMQwUktBsqNVB9nZkg16FnVJ_-7lk1GoNc/edit?usp=sharing)

### **Education for Ministry (EfM)**

Interested in deepening your biblical knowledge and growing your faith? The Holy Apostles EfM group is looking open to new participants to join this fall in this 4 year course of study designed by Sewanee that provides a framework for individuals to connect faith to their daily lives through reading and discussion. You commit 1-year at a time and EfM meets once a week on Zoom, led by mentors trained to facilitate the experience. You will begin to think theologically, reflect faithfully, and speak civilly when confronted by beliefs and principles in opposition to your own. You will learn how to articulate your faith and shape your faith into action.

Intrigued? Interested? Speak with co-mentors Heather Kelly and Ida Love or email them at [holyapostlesefm@gmail.com](mailto:holyapostlesefm@gmail.com)

### **Summer Hours**

Our program year ends Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. The following Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, we move to one service at 9am.

### **All Request Summer Hymns**

Back because it's so much fun - we are doing all request summer hymns - you vote, we sing! We switch to one service at 9am on June 26 and will be singing what you all vote for including an all request Christmas in the summer. Voting is open now through this Google form:

<https://forms.gle/GfQ4NMSea18dNf7i8>

## **Church of the Holy Apostles**

An Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Long Island

*Holy Apostles exists as God's house for all people,  
by fulfilling the spiritual yearning of our souls, teaching us  
how to live as Christians in a broken world  
by serving the needs of the greater community.*

The Rev. Kimberlee Auletta & The Rev. Sarah Kooperkamp  
Co-Priests-in-Charge

Saya Callner  
Director of Music

The Rev. John Musco  
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The Church office is open Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday 9am-4pm.  
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