



**ST. ALFRED'S**  
**EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**PALM HARBOR, FLORIDA**

The Holy Eucharist: Rite One  
**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
Saturday, May 17, 2025 at 5 p.m.

The Reverend Dale Hathaway, Celebrant  
The Reverend Peter Lane, Preacher

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two  
**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
Sunday, May 18, 2025 at 10 a.m.

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**The Chiming of the Hour** (*Prayerful silence is requested as our worship begins.*)

**The Prelude**

*Hymnus*

Wilbur Held

(Laina Coburn, Guest Organist)

**The Word of God**

**Hymn 304**

*I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord*

*Land of Rest*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

*Celebrant* Almighty God, unto whom 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 in excelsis S 280**

Robert J. Powell

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says the following Collects.*

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*Amen.*

**The First Lesson: Acts 11:1-18**

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then

Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Please remain seated for the reading of the Psalm.*

**Psalm 148** *Laudate Dominum*

*(Said in Unison.)*

- 1 Hallelujah!  
Praise the LORD from the heavens; \*  
praise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him, all you angels of his; \*  
praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; \*  
praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, \*  
and you waters above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the LORD; \*  
for he commanded, and they were created.

- 6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; \*  
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- 7 Praise the LORD from the earth, \*  
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, \*  
tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, \*  
fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, \*  
creeping things and winged birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, \*  
princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12 Young men and maidens, \*  
old and young together.
- 13 Let them praise the Name of the LORD, \*  
for his Name only is exalted,  
his splendor is over earth and heaven.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his people  
and praise for all his loyal servants, \*  
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.  
Hallelujah!

### **The Epistle: Revelation 21:1-6**

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.  
He will dwell with them as their God;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;  
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.  
Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away.”

And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is

done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Hymn 581**

*Where Charity and Love Prevail*

*Cheshire*

**The Holy Gospel: John 13:31-35**

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Peter Lane

*(A moment for reflection.)*

**The Nicene Creed**

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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



that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*The Priest, stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## **The Peace**

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*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **The Holy Communion**

#### **The Offertory**

*Adoro Te Devote*

John G. Barr

*(The people stand and sing the following hymn while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.)*

#### **The Presentation Hymn**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Old Hundredth*

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.

#### **The Great Thanksgiving** *Eucharistic Prayer C*

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*The Celebrant, faces them and says*

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*Glory to you for ever and ever.*

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*By your will they were created and have their being.*

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.*

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

### The Sanctus S 125

Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and might, Heav'n and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, and Jacob, Rachael and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*Celebrant and People* 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  
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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

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**The Fraction Anthem**

*Christ Our Passover*

Gerald Near

(Organ) Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us  
 keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Communion Hymn 603** *When Christ was Lifted from the Earth*

*St. Botolph*

**The Postcommunion Prayer** *(Said by All)*

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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**

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *Amen.*

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. *Amen.*

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

**Hymn 583**

*O Holy City Seen of John*

*Morning Song*

**The Dismissal**

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*The People respond* 'Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

*(If you must leave before the conclusion of the Postlude, please do so quietly as our broadcast is still in progress.)*

**Organ Postlude**

*Preludium und Fuge in E Minor*

Nicolaus Bruhns

**Altar Flowers**

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by  
 Connie Rogers in thanksgiving for my St. Alfred's church family.

**Coffee Hour**

Please join us for coffee hour in Reister Hall immediately following the service.  
 Reister Hall is located to your left as you exit the church building.

## Prayer List

*Please pray for:*

David  
 Michele, Charlotte and John  
 Steve  
 Kristen B.  
 Linda H.  
 David and Lynne Aukamp  
 John Austin  
 Carol Boykin  
 Beverly Butters  
 Andy Ellsworth  
 Bill Hess

Cyndy Grey  
 Alex and Diane Hugill  
 David and Joanne Kerr  
 Fran Lever  
 Diane Linindoll  
 Beverly Penland  
 Lynn Sanford  
 Bonnie Schumacher  
 Lin Stanko  
 Wally and Joan Tyson

Our nation  
 All who serve our country  
 at home and abroad  
 Healthcare Workers  
 Victims of violence  
 Victims of all natural  
 disasters  
 All places torn by war and  
 violence



### Weekly Calendar

Monday - May 19	7 p.m., Bible Study (Library)
Wednesday, May 21	11 a.m. Stewardship Meeting (Library) 1 p.m., Finance Meeting (Library) 7 p.m., Bell Choir Rehearsal (Church)
Thursday - May 22	10:30 a.m., Centering Prayer (Garrett Chapel) <b>12 p.m., The Holy Eucharist and Healing</b> 7 p.m., Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Friday - May 23	1:30 p.m., Caregiver Support Group (Library, Parish Center)
<b>Saturday - May 24</b> <b>6 Easter</b>	8:30 a.m., Grower's Group <b>5 p.m., The Holy Eucharist: Rite I</b>
<b>Sunday - May 25</b> <b>6 Easter</b>	<b>10 a.m., The Holy Eucharist: Rite II</b> 11:15 a.m., Coffee Hour (Reister Hall) 12 p.m., Vestry Meeting (Library)

— *Announcements* —

**Welcome to Laina Coburn, Guest Organist**

We give a warm St. Alfred's welcome to Laina Coburn, guest organist on Sunday morning, May 18. Laina is the daughter of Steve and Laurel Bennett. She was a piano and organ student of Kevin Johnson and sang and played bells in St. Alfred's choirs. Laina continued her organ study at St. Olaf College in Minnesota with Catherine Rodland and was a member of their world famous choir. She recently completed her MBA at the University of Florida and works as a fund raising consultant for Shorecrest Preparatory School in St. Petersburg. She and her husband Henry live in Tarpon Springs.

**“Kid Friendly” Food Drive, Saturday May 17-Sunday, June 1**

School will be on Summer recess starting May 30 which means many children will be without the food they depend on receiving at school. We will be collecting “kid friendly” food items for Dunedin Cares the weekends of May 17-18, May 24-25, and May 31-June 1. Items needed are: individual apple sauce cups, soup cups, mac and cheese cups, cereal cups, granola-type snack bars, packaged fruit snacks. Please be generous, thank you.

**Tech Help Available the First Sundays of June, July and August**

Have a question about your cell phone or other electronic device? Stop by the St. Alfred's Tech Table during coffee hour on: June 1, July 6. and August 3 or contact the church office to set up an appointment.

**Ingathering for Clothes to Kids, June 7-8 and June 14-15**

Our 2025 annual ingathering for the Clothes to Kids “Undie Sunday” (aka “Drop Your Drawers”) campaign will take place on the weekends of June 7-8 and June 14-15. Each year, Clothes to Kids tries to send each child they serve back to school with 5 new pairs of underwear and 5 new pairs of socks. Let's help meet that goal! The greatest need this year is for boys and young men's athletic-style dry-fit boxer briefs (all sizes) and young girl's training bras (all sizes). Clothes to Kids is grateful for all donations. Thank you and Drop Your Drawers into the donation box located in the Narthex!

*Hymnus* - Wilbur Held, Wayne Leupold Editions, Inc.  
*Adoro te devote* - John G. Barr, Wayne Leupold Editions, Inc.  
*Preludium und Fuge in E Minor* Nicolaus Bruhns, Kalmus  
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