



ST. ALFRED'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
PALM HARBOR, FLORIDA

The Holy Eucharist: Rite One
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Saturday, May 9, 2026 at 5 p.m.

The Reverend Dr. Doris Buchanan Johnson, Celebrant
The Reverend Peter Lane, Preacher

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 10, 2026 at 10 a.m.

The Reverend Dr. Doris Buchanan Johnson, Celebrant
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The Chiming of the Hour (*Prayerful silence is requested as our worship begins.*)

The Prelude *Rigaudon* Georg Bohm, arr. K. Johnson
(The Cambridge Ringers)

The Word of God

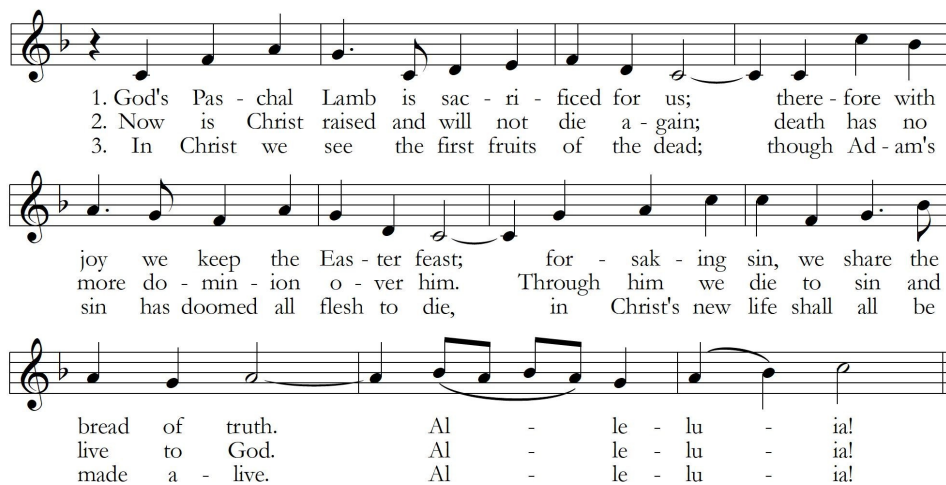
Hymn 398 *I Sing the Almighty Power of God* Forest Green

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.*

Hymn of Praise *God's Paschal Lamb is Sacrificed for Us* Charles Stanford
(*The following hymn is a metrical paraphrase of the canticle "Christ Our Passover."*)



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore with
2. Now is Christ raised and will not die a - gain; death has no
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead; though Ad - am's

joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for - sak - ing sin, we share the
more do - min - ion o - ver him. Through him we die to sin and
sin has doomed all flesh to die, in Christ's new life shall all be

bread of truth. Al - le - lu - ia!
live to God. Al - le - lu - ia!
made a - live. Al - le - lu - ia!

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 Collect.

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.*

Please be seated for the reading of the First Lesson, the Psalm and the Epistle.

The First Lesson: Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we too are his offspring.’

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66:7-18 *Jubilate Deo*

Carl Daw/Kevin Hackett

(The Choir sings the Antiphon first; then all repeat it. All are invited to repeat the Antiphon as indicated.)

Antiphon 
God holds our souls in life.

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip. **[Antiphon]**
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; *
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

Antiphon



God holds our souls in life.

- 10 You brought us into the snare; *
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water; *
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment. [Antiphon]
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will pay you my vows, *
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
with the smoke of rams; *
I will give you oxen and goats. [Antiphon]
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue. [Antiphon]
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart, *
the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
nor withheld his love from me. [Antiphon]

The Epistle: 1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism,

which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the hymn and the reading of the Gospel.

Hymn 488

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

The Holy Gospel: John 14:15-21

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

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
 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

The response following each intercession is:

<i>Leader</i>	We call to you with our mouths;
<i>People</i>	Your praise is on our tongues.

The Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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 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

May Birthdays and Anniversaries

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The Holy Communion

The Offertory

If Ye Love Me

Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father and he shall give you another comforter.

That he may abide with you forever, even the spirit of truth.

(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

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer C*

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In this prayer, the lines in italics are spoken by the People.

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.

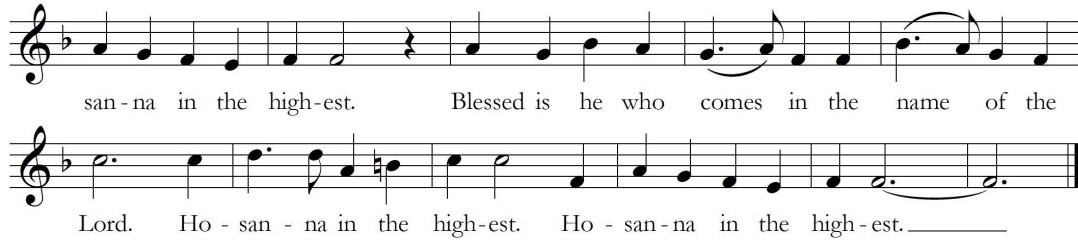
Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

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



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 and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob, Rachel 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 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

Be Known to Us, Lord Jesus

Gary James

(The Choir sings the Refrain first; then All repeat it. Repeat the Refrain as indicated.)

Refrain 
Be known to us, Lord Je-sus, in the break-ing of the bread.

Choir The bread that we break, alleluia,
Is the communion of the body of Christ. **[Refrain]**

Choir One body are we, alleluia,
For though many we share one bread. **[Refrain]**

Communion Voluntary

My Shepherd will Supply My Need

Mary Lichlyter

(based on hymn No. 664 in the Hymnal.)

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 397

Now Thank We All Our God

Nun danket alle Gott

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

Trumpet Tune in E Flat

David N. Johnson

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:

Judy Barratt	Jeff and Sue	Our nation
Cheryl Breland	John and Lyn	All who serve our country at home and abroad
John Bryant	Ralph and Charlotte Jordan	Healthcare Workers
Michael Bruce	Roger Kronsis	Victims of violence
Beverly Butters	Diane Linindoll	Victims of all natural disasters
Bob Campbell	Jeannette McCabe	All places torn by war and violence
Barb Christian	Monica	
Kris Craig	Lauren and Jason Mooney	
Catherine Wallace Foy	Sharon	
Priscilla and Stephen Gill	Charles and Doreen Sleeme	
Cyndy Grey	Sheila Suttie	
Greg Herndon	Walter	
Alex and Diane Hugill		

Church Repair and Painting to begin Monday, May 11

Work on repairing and painting the dome under the skylight will begin on Monday morning, May 11 and continue through Friday, May 15. Due to this work, there will be no Healing service on Thursday, May 14. The Healing service will resume on Thursday, May 21.

Morning of Prayer, Saturday, May 16 at 9:30 a.m.

The Contemplative Prayer group invites you to a Morning of Prayer on Saturday, May 16 at 9:30 a.m. in the Choir Room. All are welcome.

Kid-Friendly Food Drive continues through Sunday, May 17

St. Alfred's and Plato Academy will be collecting specific food items for children this summer. FEAST has requested: peanut butter, jelly, cereal, canned pasta, and dried pasta. Dunedin Cares has requested: individual servings of applesauce, fruit cups, mac and cheese, ravioli, and soups. The drive will continue through May 17. Thank you.

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Weekly Calendar

Monday - May 11	7 p.m., Bible Study (Library)
Tuesday - May 12	1 p.m., Fellowship Meeting (Library)
Wednesday - May 13	11 a.m., Finance Meeting (Library) 12 p.m., Long-Range Planning Meeting (Library)
Thursday - May 14	10:30 a.m., Centering Prayer (Garrett Chapel) 7 p.m., Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Friday - May 15	1 p.m., Lectio Poetica (Library)
Saturday - May 16 7 Easter	Kid-Friendly Food Drive 8:45 a.m., Growers Group 9:30 a.m., Morning of Prayer (Choir Room) 5 p.m., The Holy Eucharist: Rite I
Sunday - May 17 7 Easter	Kid-Friendly Food Drive ends 10 a.m., The Holy Eucharist: Rite II 11:15 a.m., Coffee Hour (Reister Hall) 12 p.m., Vestry Meeting (Library) 3 p.m., Ronald McDonald House Dinner



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