



St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Isle of Hope
The Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 29, 2022
Holy Eucharist, Rite 2
9:30 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

THE OPENING HYMN

Hail the day that sees him rise

Hymnal #214

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

THE SONG OF PRAISE

God's paschal lamb



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 226

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 FIRST READING

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God. The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 97 (*said in unison*)

BCP 726

- 1 The LORD is King;
let the earth rejoice; *
let the multitude of the isles be glad.**
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, *
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.**
- 3 A fire goes before him *
and burns up his enemies on every side.**
- 4 His lightnings light up the world; *
the earth sees it and is afraid.**
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, *
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.**
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, *
and all the peoples see his glory.**
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images
and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before him, all you gods.**
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, *
because of your judgments, O LORD.**

- 9 For you are the LORD,
most high over all the earth; *
you are exalted far above all gods.**
- 10 The LORD loves those who hate evil; *
he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, *
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.**
- 12 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, *
and give thanks to his holy Name.**

THE SECOND READING (9:30 am)

Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20-21

A reading from the book of Revelation.

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words:

"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

"It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."
And let everyone who hears say, "Come."
And let everyone who is thirsty come.
Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen. The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God**

THE CELTIC ALLELUIA

The choir will sing the Alleluia first. The congregation is invited to join in on the second and third times.



THE GOSPEL

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

John 17:20-26

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

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them." The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

THE HOMILY

The Rev. Canon Loren Lasch

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

The Leader and People pray responsively

<i>Litanist</i>	Awake, O Sleeper, rise from death,
<i>People</i>	And Christ will give you life!
<i>Litanist</i>	Bring newness and change to your church, O God, that we might serve you with courage and grace. Awake, O Church, rise from death,
<i>People</i>	And Christ will give you life!
<i>Litanist</i>	Bring newness and change to your world, O God, that all might know the goodness of your love. Awake, O World, rise from death,
<i>People</i>	And Christ will give you life!
<i>Litanist</i>	Bring newness and change to our nation, O God, that each person might share and honor the other. Awake, O People, rise from death,
<i>People</i>	And Christ will give you life!
<i>Litanist</i>	Bring newness and change for the suffering, O God, that they might know your saving help. Awake, O Sorrowful, rise from death,
<i>People</i>	And Christ will give you life!
<i>Litanist</i>	Bring newness and change to even the departed, O God, that they might forever grow in your likeness. Awake, O Saints, rise from death,
<i>People</i>	And Christ will give you life!
<i>Litanist</i>	Bring newness and change to our hearts, O God, that we might grow larger in faith and hope. Awake, O Soul, rise from death,
<i>People</i>	And Christ will give you life!
	<i>(The people may offer their particular concerns and thanksgivings)</i>
<i>Litanist</i>	Awake, O Sleeper, rise from death, for Christ has burst forth from the tomb, making all things new. Rise and live, says the Lord. This day God has made for life and all joy! Amen, alleluia!
<i>People</i>	Alleluia, amen!

A PRAYER FOR A CHILD WHO DIES FROM VIOLENCE

Loving God, Jesus gathered your little ones in his arms and blessed them. Have pity on those who mourn innocents slaughtered by the violence of our fallen world. Be with us as we struggle with the mysteries of life and death; in our pain, bring your comfort, and in our sorrow, bring your hope and your promise of new life, in the name of Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

MEMORIAL DAY PRAYER

O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines. This we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

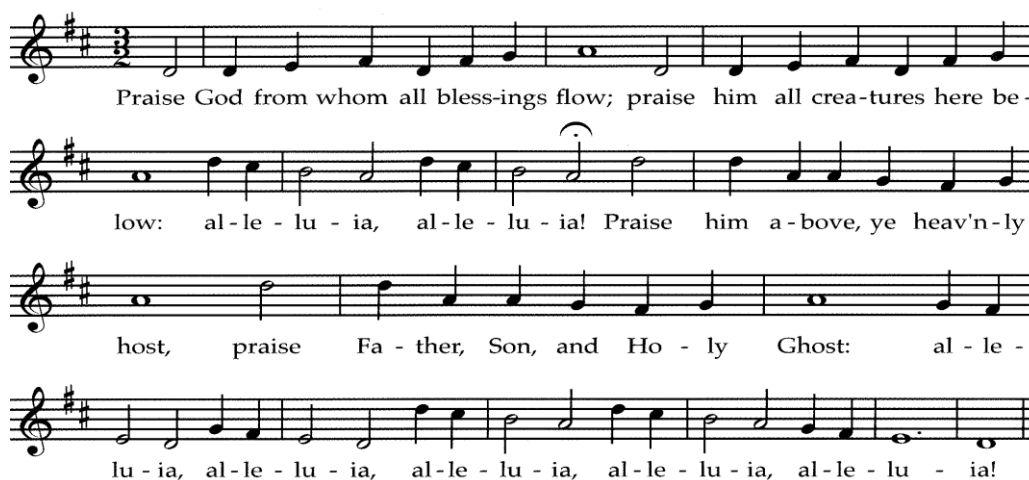
ANNOUNCEMENTS & ANNIVERSARY AND BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

THE OFFERTORY MUSIC

All praise to thee for thou, O King divine

Hymnal # 477

THE FESTAL DOXOLOGY (9:30 am)



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him all crea-tures here be -
low: al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly
host, praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost: al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

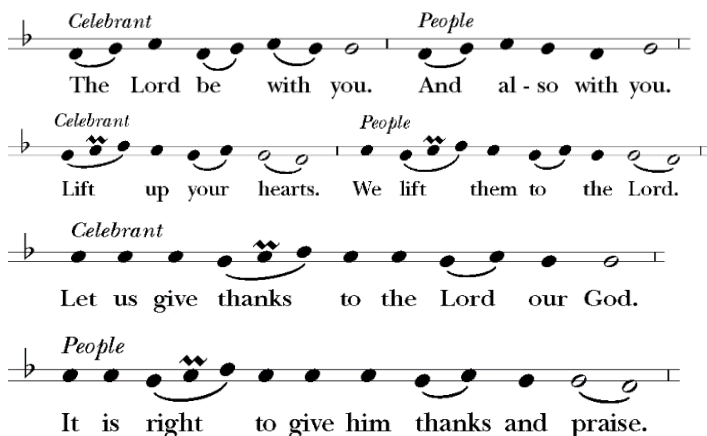
THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (11:15 am)

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People **And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Eucharistic Prayer D, BCP 372



Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so 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.

Celebrant 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.**

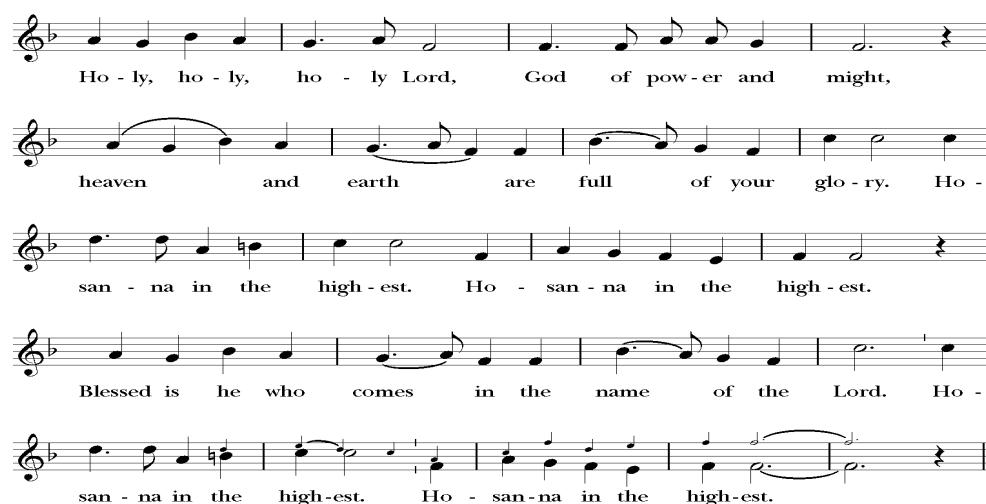
It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

SANCTUS

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Celebrant and People (11:15 am)

**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.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to

the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with blessed Thomas, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**



THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

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.

*This setting is not used in Lent.**Antiphon**Cantor; then All*

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

Cantor

1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

Cantor

2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

FRACTION

Celebrant

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***Celebrant*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

HYMNS AT COMMUNION

I Love You Lord (Carolyn Cohen solo)
Just as I am

Songbook #6
 Hymnal #693

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Those unable to take communion today may pray this prayer.

Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. Though I cannot consume these gifts of bread and wine, I thank you that I have received the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may I embody your desire and be renewed for your service through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE COMMISSIONING OF THE LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

Celebrant In the name of God and of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body for we all share the one bread and the one cup. Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

Clergy and 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 FOUR PART EASTER BLESSING

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of 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 always. **Amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Hymnal 690

THE DISMISSAL

BCP 366

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

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

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Martin J. Troster donated by Jean Troster.

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Vestry on Duty: (9:30 a.m.) Bobby Minis

(11:15 a.m.) Jane Gilchrist

Lectors: (9:30 a.m.) Tom Hailey

(11:15 a.m.) Annie Quaile

Lay Eucharistic Minister: (9:30 a.m.) Dave White

Lay Eucharistic Visitor: Margaret Minis

Ushers: (9:30 a.m.) Eleanor Foster

(11:15 a.m.) Jane Gilchrist

Acolytes: Tino and Eva Aguilar

Hospitality: Henry & Sarah Aguilar

Altar Guild: Salli White, Anna Fowler, Tracy Edgar, Stacie Bacon, and Mary Hailey

Flower Guild: Janet Barrow

Cantor: (9:30) Carolyn Cohen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

5/29, Sunday NO Choir practice in the choir room following 9:30 service.

5/30, Monday Memorial Day –church office closed.

6/05, Sunday 12:00 Noon Pentecost Potluck Picnic

Bernadette on vacation 5/31-6/8/22

Jane Gilchrist vacation 6/1-6/6/22

Reverend Melanie on sabbatical 5/28 through 7/30/22.

Vacation Bible School is set for July 19-21. Registration is now open to Pre-K to 5th Grade. We can't wait to have some fun with your kiddos this summer. Visit www.stthomasioh.org to register. We've also created a Facebook event so share with your friends! To volunteer, please contact Rev. Aimee.

Flower Guild needs your help with donors and arrangers. You can use the sign-up sheet that has been placed in the Narthex, call Amy Jo at the office, or email Annie Quaile at squareanne@gmail.com.

As you travel this summer, remember that it is easy and safe to give through our website: <https://www.stthomasioh.org/give>

Hospitality NEEDS you. Please contact Amy Jo in the office if you are able to assist with hospitality hour in between Sunday services.

WELCOME TO ALL GUESTS

If you are new or with us for the first time, thank you for joining us at worship. We hope you will join us again. Restrooms are available in our parish hall and Christian Education buildings. Nursery care is available in our Christian Education building for children ages 0-4. Please, see an usher to assist you in locating the nursery if that is the preferred option for your family. Children are always welcome to stay in the church at St. Thomas as they are full members of the body of Christ. If you do choose to utilize our nursery, we hope you will bring your children back into church to receive communion or a blessing.

In the Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians, regardless of denomination or age, are invited to be fed at God's table. When it is your turn, hold your hands out open in front of you to receive the bread. When the cup of wine comes to you, help guide it to your mouth to take sip or signify that you want to abstain from drinking by crossing your arms over your chest. If you would like to learn more about the customs of our tradition, please, contact The Rev. Melanie Lemburg.

LITURGICAL NOTES: EASTER IS A SEASON, NOT JUST A DAY

The Great Fifty Days of Easter is the church's most celebratory season. Our alleluias are brought back in full force after our Lenten fast, and they are even sprinkled in throughout the service in extra places. We omit the confession of sin during the Easter season, and we are also encouraged to return to a custom of the early church (as articulated by the Council of Nicea) by giving up kneeling for the Easter season and instead standing during the Eucharistic prayer throughout the Easter season all the way through the day of Pentecost. In this prayer posture, we acknowledge that in Christ we are made worthy to stand before God. The paschal candle will be lit at every service all through the Easter season.

MISSION OF ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We are a welcoming community of faith and love that serves one another and seeks to draw others to God through our ministries.



PENTECOST POTLUCK PICNIC

SUNDAY, JUNE 5
12:00PM

BRING YOUR FAVORITE
SIDE DISH OR DESSERT.
THE CHURCH WILL PROVIDE
FRIED CHICKEN.

ALL ARE INVITED!