



Saint Batholomew

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

a house of prayer for all people

The Feast of the Ascension of our Lord May 10, 2018 at 7:00pm The Holy Eucharist Rite II

The People Gather

This service is based on the Order for Holy Eucharist: Rite One found in the red Book of Common Prayer. It is customary for the people to prepare for worship in quiet and prayer.

The Word of God

*The people stand and sing
Hymn -L43*

Because He Lives

William Gather

Acclamation

*Congregant: Alleluia Christ is risen
People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

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

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The Lesson*The people sit for***The First Reading:** Acts 1:1-11

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."

Reader: The Word of the Lord
 People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm: Psalm 47 *Omnes gentes, plaudite*

1 Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a cry of joy.

2 For the Lord Most High is to be feared; he is the great King over all the earth.

3 He subdues the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet.

4 He chooses our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

5 God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.

6 Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

7 For God is King of all the earth; sing praises with all your skill.

8 God reigns over the nations; God sits upon his holy throne.

9 The nobles of the peoples have gathered together with the people of the God of Abraham.

10 The rulers of the earth belong to God, and he is highly exalted.

The Epistle: Ephesians 1:15-23

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
 People: Thanks be to God.

The people stand for the singing of the Sequence Hymn and the reading of the Gospel. Verses 1 & 2, are sung before the reading and verses 3 & 4 are sung after.

Hymn H -603 When Christ was lifted St. Botolph**The Gospel:** Luke 24: 44-53

Celebrant: 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.

The Sermon The Reverend Stephan Secaur*The people stand to say***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

*The people are led in***Prayers of the People Form IV**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love us.

*silence*Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, especially....give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*silence*Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially..... that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*silence*Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.**The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.***The Peace**

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.**All greet one another in the name of Christ.***Alter Preparations****The Holy Communion****Offertory***The people stand to sing***At the presentation:** The Doxology (Hymn 380, v-3)**The Great thanksgiving:** Eucharistic Prayer B S120

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 right, and good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord Sanctus S130*The people stand or kneel*

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

in Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer
and us from evil, and made us worthy to
ought us out of error into truth, out of sin
e.

us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;
he broke it, and gave it to the
my Body, which is given for you. Do

wine; and when he had given thanks,
s, all of you: This is my Blood of the
and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
remembrance of me."

Command, O Father,

Looking Ahead:

Thursday	May 10 at 8am at 7pm	TMCC Ascension Day Service	
Friday	May 11 at 9am	Morning Prayer	Library
Saturday	May 12		
Sunday	May 13 at 8am at 9:15am at 9:20am at 10:30am	HE, Rite I Bible Study Choir Practice HE, Rite II	
Wednesday	May 16 at 5-7pm	Cub Scout Pancake Supper	
Saturday	May 19 At 9am-noon	Spring Clean-up	

of praise and thanksgiving to you, O
ur creation, this bread and this wine.
send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts
e Body of Christ and his Blood of the
n his sacrifice, that we may be
ed by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of
your Christ, and bring firstborn of all
the author of our salvation.
im, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all
her, now and for ever. **AMEN**

at us, we now pray,

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n earth as it is in heaven. Give us
ve us our trespasses, as we forgive
d lead us not into temptation, but
e kingdom, and the power, and the*

ur Passover S154
d for the People of God. Take them in
, and feed on him in your hearts by faith,

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of all ages are included in this invitation. If
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take the body of the Lord Sang 46

be manifest in you, that your lives may be
of God almighty, the Father, the Son,
and remain with you always. Amen.
Lord of heaven Diademata

d the people respond

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