

# Seventh Sunday of Easter



May 24, 2020



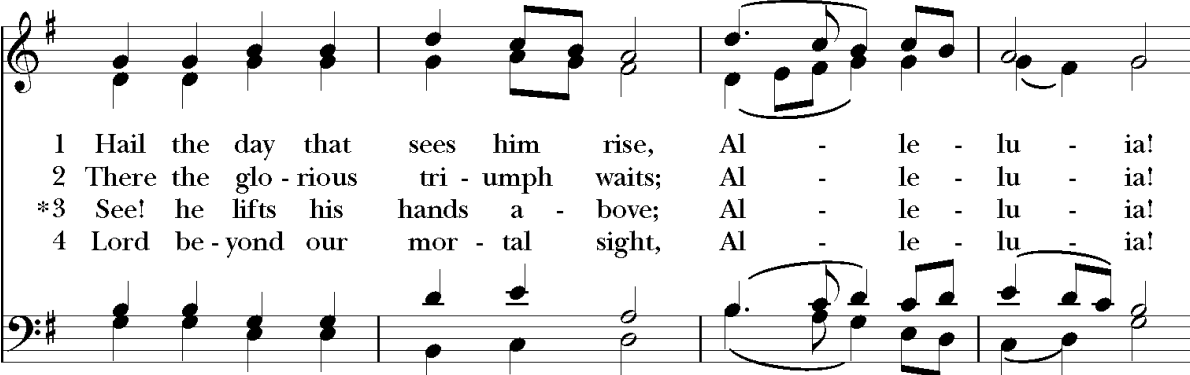
# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## WELCOME

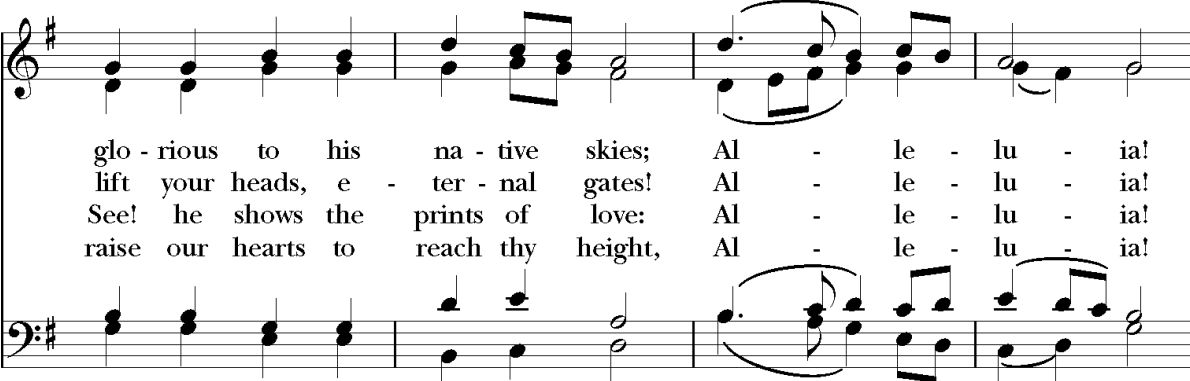
## OPENING HYMN

Hail the day that sees him rise

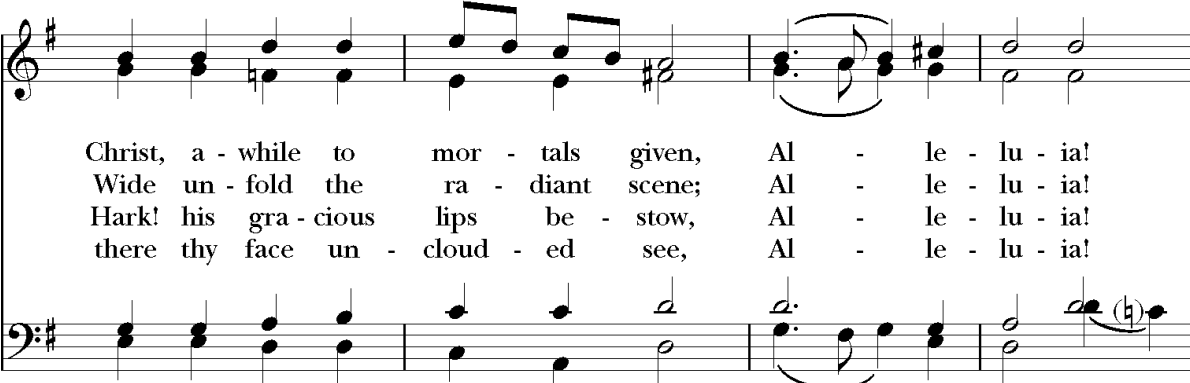
Hymnal 214



1 Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 There the glo - rious tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!  
\*3 See! he lifts his hands a - bove; Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Lord be - yond our mor - tal sight, Al - le - lu - ia!



glo - rious to his na - tive skies; Al - le - lu - ia!  
lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates! Al - le - lu - ia!  
See! he shows the prints of love: Al - le - lu - ia!  
raise our hearts to reach thy height, Al - le - lu - ia!



Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Wide un - fold the ra - diant scene; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Hark! his gra - cious lips be - stow, Al - le - lu - ia!  
there thy face un - cloud - ed see, Al - le - lu - ia!



en - ters now the high - est heaven! Al - le - lu - ia!  
take the King of glo - ry in! Al - le - lu - ia!  
bless - ings on his Church be - low. Al - le - lu - ia!  
find our heaven of heavens in thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

*Officiant* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

*Officiant* There is one Body and one Spirit;

BCP 299

*People* **There is one hope in God's call to us;**  
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
**One God and Father of all.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 226

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

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

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.

*All* **Amen.**

## FIRST READING

Acts 1:6-14

*Lector* A reading from Acts.

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "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."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The Word of the Lord.

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

- 1 Arise, O God, and let your enemies be scattered; \*  
**let those who hate you flee.**
- 2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; \*  
**as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at your presence.**
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before you; \*  
**let them also be merry and joyful.**
- 4 Let us sing to God, sing praises to the divine name; \*  
**let us exalt the One who rides upon the heavens; \***
- 5 Yahweh is the divine name, \*  
**before whom we shall rejoice!**
- 6 Protector of orphans, defender of widows, the One who dwells in holiness, \*  
**who gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom,  
 but the rebels shall live in dry places.**
- 7 O God, when you went forth before your people, \*  
**when you marched through the wilderness,**
- 8 the earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at your presence, O God of Sinai, \*  
**at your presence, O God of Israel.**
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; \*  
**you refreshed the land when it was weary.**
- 10 Your people found their home in it; \*  
**in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.**
- 33 Sing to God, O dominions of the earth; \*  
**sing praises to the Lord.**
- 34 You ride in the heavens, the ancient heavens, O God; \*  
**sending forth your voice, your mighty voice.**
- 35 Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, \*  
**whose strength is in the skies.**
- 36 How wonderful is God in the divine sanctuary! \*  
**The God of Israel gives strength and power to this people! Blessed be God!**

## SECOND READING

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

*Lector* A reading from First Peter.

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion

your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

## **MEDITATION**

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

words: Civilla D. Martin (1860-1948)  
music: Charles H. Gabriel (1856-1932)

## **GOSPEL**

John 17:1-11

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

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

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that he the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **HOMILY**

## **RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS**

BCP 299

*Officiant*    Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism.

*Officiant*    Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People*        **I do.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**I will, with God's help.**

*All are invited to touch or sprinkle water in remembrance and renewal of baptism.*

*Then the Officiant continues*

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

adapted from *The Book of Common Prayer*  
and "A Litany Amidst the COVID-19 Outbreak" by Michael Kurth

*Reader* Most merciful God, we know that you are with us and that you unite us through your Holy Spirit. In peace, let us pray, saying, "Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer."

For Christ Church and every congregation throughout the world, that we give you praise and place our trust in you, becoming beacons of hope, faith, and love. Lord in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Reader* For the leaders of our church, Michael our Presiding Bishop; for Bonnie our bishop; for Emily, David, and Anthony our priests; for Chip our deacon; and for all who minister: fortify them to be faithful pastors, to persevere in prayer, and to build up the family of God in new and creative ways. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Reader* For those in authority, especially Donald our president, Gretchen our governor, Michael our mayor, and leaders throughout the world: help them to make sound decisions to best secure our safety and the future of our planet. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Reader* For first responders; for doctors, nurses, and hospital staff; for service industry workers and those forced to work as their community shuts down; for those experiencing financial loss and uncertainty of wages. We pray especially for *Anna Basse, Michael Clay, Joe Dib, Shawna Goodfellow, Pam Groh, Androni H., Antonia H., Jay Harnois, Margaret Lally, George Mashour, Beth Niblock, Ian Osbourn, Concetta P., Ryan Tyler, Mark V., Rosemary V., Anna VanToai, Stephen Wilbert, and the Greenfield Health Care employees.* (People add names silently or aloud.)

Keep them safe, grant them strength and hope, and provide for them daily bread and wage. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Reader* For those directly infected with the virus, for those at high risk, for those in quarantine, for the marginalized, for the poor, and for all who suffer in any way, especially *Pat Ald, Shirley B., Barbara Baseley, Booker, Harold Cherry, Ellie Collard, David Dieter, Emma, Marcus England, Michael F., Vincent Faust, Charles Hawkins, Emily Hill, Doris Landrum, Alisa LeDuc, Betty Locke, Monique McGraw, Megan, Joe Miller, Jonathon Moon, Carl Pfadt, Harriet Port, Kathleen S., R.J. Smith, Len St. Jean, Janet Swanson & Family, Jason Thomas, Mimi Van Scoter, Carol Ann Watson, Megan White.* (People add names silently or aloud.)

Help them recover in good health, and restore them in body, mind, and spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Reader* For the gifts of joy, wonder, and love, which we savor and celebrate especially in times of struggle. We pray for those having birthdays this week, especially *Laura Sanom, Gina Walker, Greg Williams, Sarah Tribelhorn, Mary Brown, Patsy Coleman, Donna Gloff, Abigail Opalewski, Karen Henning,* and those we now name. (People add names silently or aloud.)

We also pray with gratitude for the births of Richard & Joyce Esse's great-grandchildren: Everett Cara Esse, born to Ryan & Grace Esse in January, and Connor John Came, born to Michael & Brittany Came on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Lord, in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Reader* For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal. We remember especially Esther Tietz, Sally McIntosh, and Pam Michael. We remember all who have died from COVID-19, and those we now name. (People add names silently or aloud.)

Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Officiant* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## PEACE

*Officiant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*The people share with one another signs of Christ's peace.*

## VESTRY GREETING

## OFFERTORY

BCP 377

*Officiant* Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

*Please give generously at [christcd.org/online-giving](http://christcd.org/online-giving)  
or by mailing a check to Christ Church Detroit, 960 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit, 48207.*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

My Master from a Garden Rose

words: Gordon Young  
music: Eleanor Daley

My master in a garden lay, perfumed with spices rare,  
for tender hands had laid him there to rest amid the roses.

'Twas on a cross they laid him bare and pierced his hands with nails  
that we poor men might live again and be with him in glory. Alleluia.

My master from a garden rose to go for us to heaven  
and he will come and take us there to be with him forever. Alleluia. Amen.

## PRESENTATION HYMN

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below, alleluia; alleluia!**  
**Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**  
**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia, alleluia; alleluia!**

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

from the *Book of Common Prayer*  
and *St. Augustine's Prayer Book* (2014)

*Officiant* In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly our beloved Christ Church, we long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory, and particularly for all the blessings bestowed upon all of us.

Let all of us who desire communion now pray,

*All* **I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**



## LORD'S PRAYER

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

*All* **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**

## CONCLUDING COLLECT

*St. Augustine's Prayer Book (2014)*

*Officiant* Come, Lord Jesus, and dwell in our hearts in the fullness of your strength. Be our wisdom and guide us in right pathways for your Name's sake. Conform our lives and actions to the image of your holiness, and in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the flourishing of your children and the growth of your kingdom. In your triumphant Name we pray. **Amen.**

## BLESSING

*Officiant* May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life; and the blessing of God Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, be with you now and remain with you always.

*People* **Amen.**

1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my  
 2. Though sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should  
 3. My sin— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous  
 4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be

1. way, When sor - rows like sea - bil - lows roll;  
 2. come, Let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol,  
 3. thought— My sin— not in part, but the whole—  
 4. sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

1. What - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to  
 2. That Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es -  
 3. Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no  
 4. The trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de -

1. say, It is well, it is well with my soul.  
 2. tate, And has shed His own blood for my soul.  
 3. more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
 4. scend, "E - ven so"— it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul, with my  
 It is well with my  
 soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

## DISMISSAL

*Officiant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## ABOUT THE MUSIC AND ART

*The Ascension* (1973) is part of a collection called *JESUS MAFIA*, which is a set of responses to lectionary readings from the New Testament by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa. Members of the community selected the readings and performed dramatic interpretations of them. Artists took photographs of the interpretations and transcribed them into paintings. *The Ascension* is reprinted here with permission under the Creative Commons Attribution Noncommercial License of Vanderbilt University.

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