



**ST. MARY OF THE HILLS  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
BLOWING ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA**

**MAY 15, 2022  
THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**WELCOME!**

We are so glad that you are here to share in worship of the Triune God.

Restrooms are located in the hallway beyond the Foyer.

A nursery is available for children up to age five and is in the hallway beyond the Parish Hall.

BCP page numbers refer to the red *Book of Common Prayer*. Hymn numbers refer to the blue *Hymnal, 1982*.

Note that 'S' numbers refer to service music and are located at the beginning of the hymnal.

Please silence all electronic devices.

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST  
10:10 AM**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

**THE WORD OF GOD**

HYMN 583

O holy city, seen of John

*Morning Song*

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

*The Celebrant prays*

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.**



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



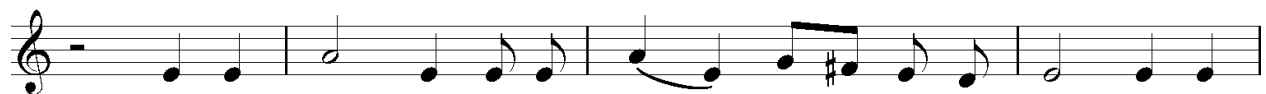
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer.

6. For



you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of  
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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. 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."

*People*            The Word of the Lord.  
                         **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM  
Chant: Walmisley

Psalm 148  
*Laudate Dominum*

*The Psalm is sung by the choir.*

- 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 SECOND LESSON

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."

*People*            The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 464  
He is the Way

*New Dance*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 13: 31-35

*Gospeler*            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."

*Gospeler*      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Andrew J. Hege

*A few moments of silence for reflection follow the homily.*

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 Leader and People pray responsively.*

In joy and hope let us pray to our God.

That our risen Saviour may fill us and the whole Church with the joy of his glorious and life-giving resurrection.

We pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the good news of Easter.

We pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That God may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love.

We pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That he may provide for those who lack food, work or shelter.

We pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That by his power war and famine may cease through all the world.

We pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak and the dying, to comfort and strengthen them in their affliction.

We pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That, according to his promises, all who have died in the faith of the resurrection may be raised on the last day.

We pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection.

We pray to you, O Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

*The people add their own petitions.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect and the people respond, **Amen.***

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*          **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People exchange a sign of peace.*

## WELCOME AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## THE OFFERTORY

*ANTHEM—Praise ye the Lord, ye children*

Christopher Tye (1505-1572)

Praise ye the Lord, ye children.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord forevermore.  
The Lord's name is praised from the east unto the west.  
The Lord is high above all nations  
and his glory is above the heavens.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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

*Celebrant*      *People*  
Lift up your hearts.      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.



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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a proper preface is said or sung on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed*

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:

The musical score is written on five staves of music. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

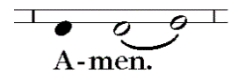
*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*People*



THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Contemporary*)

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As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us**

**Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

## FRACTION ANTHEM – S151

*Tonus Peregrinus*

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

*Cantor*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*All*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Cantor*

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us

*All*

keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says an invitation to Communion.*

## MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*To receive the sacrament, extend your hands so that the priest may place the bread in the palm of your outstretched hands. Gluten free wafers are available. For those who desire to receive the wine that follows, guide the chalice toward your lips to drink from the cup. Intinction is not permitted. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest as a sign to the priest.*

*For those unable to receive the sacrament this day, we offer this prayer:*

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being offered, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually 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.**

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION

HYMN 487

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life

*The Call*

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

from *Enriching Our Worship*

*The Celebrant and people say together,*

**God of abundance,  
you have fed us  
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
you have united us  
with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one  
with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
Now send us forth  
in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
and continue forever  
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

*The Celebrant proclaims the blessing, and the people respond, **Amen.***

HYMN 182

Christ is alive!

*Truro*

THE DISMISSAL

*The Celebrant proclaims the dismissal, and the people respond,*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

## **LEADERS IN THE LITURGY**

The Reverend Andrew J. Hege  
*Celebrant and Preacher*

Jim Bumgardner  
*Choirmaster/Organist and Director of Music*

Sarah Schiener  
*Intern in Sacred Music*

Jacob Smith  
*Cantor*

Ham Wilson, Chip Myers, JoAnn Hallmark  
*Lectors*





# ST. MARY OF THE HILLS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Holy Eucharist	8:00AM
Rector's Forum	9:00AM
Holy Eucharist	10:10AM

## MID-WEEK SERVICES

Monday – Friday	Morning Prayer	8:30AM
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist	12:00PM

## PARISH STAFF

The Reverend Andrew J. Hege	Rector
The Reverend Samuel V. Tallman	Assisting Clergy
The Right Reverend J. Gary Gloster	Assisting Clergy
Dr. James Bumgardner	Organist/Choirmaster
Greta Wilson	Parish Administrator
Joe Raulerson	Financial Secretary
Bill Stroh	Sexton

## THE VESTRY

2022	2023	2024
Doug Galke	Marjory Holder	Leslie Billingsley
Lisa Kaufmann	Faith Jones	Joe Doswell
Roy McCraw	Chip Monroe	Buddy Fore
Tim Silver, Sr. Warden	Patty Patella	Bob Finney, Jr. Warden

Amanda White, Treasurer  
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