Welcome to St. John’s Church, Lafayette Square.
Masks are optional for all worshippers and are strongly encouraged for those who are not fully vaccinated.
Nursery care is available from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Parish House.

All are invited to participate as able. Congregational responses appear in **bold**.

**PRELUDE**
Fantasie in C major, Op. 16  
César Franck (1822–1890)

**HYMN 179**
“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say
Sung by all. Please stand as the procession enters.

1. “Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say:
2. Earth her joy confesses, clothed for spring,
3. Months in due succession, days of lengthening light,
4. Marker and Redeemer, life and health of all,
5. Thou, of life the author, death didst undergo,

1. Hell today is vanquished, heaven is won today!
2. All fresh gifts returned with her returning King,
3. Hours and passing moments praise thee in their flight,
4. Thou from heaven holding human nature’s fall,
5. Tread the path of darkness, saving strength to show;

1. Lo! the dead is living, God for evermore!
2. Bloom in every meadow, leaves on every bough,
3. Brightness of the morning, sky and fields and sea,
4. Of the Father’s Godhead true and onyly Son,
5. Come then, true and faithful, now fulfill thy word,
THE WORD OF GOD

Please remain standing as you are able.

Priest  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.

GLORIA                         Mass in E                Jeffrey Smith (b. 1960)
Sung by all.

(Organ)  Glory to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
Priest  The Lord be with you.
People  And also with you.
Priest  Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ’s Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, “We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man’s blood on us.” But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.”

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

**Psalm 118:14-29**  
*Led by Holly Sukenik, said in unison by all.*

The **LORD** is my strength and my song, *  
and he has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory *  
in the tents of the righteous:

“The right hand of the **LORD** has triumphed! *  
the right hand of the **LORD** is exalted!  
the right hand of the **LORD** has triumphed!”

I shall not die, but live, *  
and declare the works of the **LORD**.

The **LORD** has punished me sorely, *  
but he did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness; *  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to the **LORD**.

“This is the gate of the **LORD**; *  
he who is righteous may enter.”

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *  
and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected *  
has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the **LORD**’s doing, *  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the **LORD** has acted; *  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Hosannah, **LORD**, hosannah! *  
**LORD**, send us now success.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the **LORD**; *  
we bless you from the house of the **LORD**.
God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; *
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

“You are my God, and I will thank you; *
you are my God, and I will exalt you.”

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

**GRADUAL HYMN 209**

*Sung by all, standing as you are able. Stanzas 1 & 2 will be sung before the Gospel, stanza 3 after.*

We walk by faith, and not by sight

1 We walk by faith, and not by sight; no
2 We may not touch his hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and

gracious words we hear from him who spoke as
follow where he trod; but in his promise
may our faith abound, to call on you when

none e’er spoke; but we believe him near.
we rejoice, and cry, “My Lord and God!”
you are near, and seek where you are found:

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

People  Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Gospeller  The Gospel of the Lord.

People  Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Following the Gospel, all sing stanza 3 of the gradual hymn.

The Sermon  The Rev. William Morris

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able.

Let us affirm our faith in the words of 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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Chase Rynd.

Please remain standing as you are able.

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence.

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Intercessor For Joseph, our President, the leaders of Congress, the Supreme Court, and all who are in authority; for this community, the nation, and the world.

People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble, especially for the people of Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Sudan, and Ukraine;

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Intercessor For the community of St. John’s and our companion relationships with the Anglican Church of Southern Africa* and the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, for St. Mark’s Church, DC; St. Mark’s Church, Fairland; and Church of the Good Shepherd, Silver Spring. For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Mariann, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People For all who serve God in the Church.

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions.

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own petitions.

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions.

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

* In particular, the Kwasa Centre in the Diocese of the Highveld.
CONFESSION OF SIN

Intercessor We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence.

All Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Priest 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

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

This joyful Eastertide arr. Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

Sung by the choir.

This joyful Eastertide away with sin and sorrow!
My love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow.

Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst his three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain: but now hath Christ arisen,
risen, risen; but now has Christ arisen!

My flesh in hope shall rest and for a season slumber
till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.

Death’s flood has lost its chill since Jesus crossed the river.
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver.

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please remain standing as you are able.

Priest    The Lord be with you.
People   And also with you.

Priest    Lift up your hearts.
People   We lift them to the Lord.

Priest    Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People   It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The priest continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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 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.

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.
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. AMEN.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Priest 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM (WLP 875) Gary James (b. 1957)

The choir sings the verses; the people sing the refrain.

Refrain

\[\text{Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.}\]

The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ. Refrain.

One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread. Refrain.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All persons, including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. Wait for an usher to call your row. You will have the option of receiving the blessed wine from either the common chalice or individual cups. After receiving the wine, place the cup in the container next to the aisle as you return to your pew. The cups will be reverently disposed of after the service. At the Bishop’s direction, intinction, or dipping the wafer into the common chalice, is not permitted. Receiving the bread alone is a valid way to share in the Eucharist. Parents may decide if their children receive. All may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest by crossing their arms over their chest.
Music at the Communion

Anthem

Most glorious Lord of life  William Henry Harris (1883–1973)

Sung by the choir.

Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day didst make thy triumph over death and sin, and having harrowed hell, didst bring away captivity thence captive, us to win.

This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin, and grant that we for whom thou diddest die, being with thy dear blood clean washed from sin, may live for ever in felicity:

And that thy love we weighing worthily, may likewise love thee for the same again; and for thy sake, that all like dear didst buy, with love may one another entertain.

So let us love, dear Love, like as we ought; love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.

Hymn 318

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face

Sung by all, seated.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Priest Let us pray.

All 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

Priest Life is short. And we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love. Make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

HYMN 206 Sung by all, standing as you are able.

O sons and daughters, let us sing

Antiphon (at the beginning)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 O sons and daughters, let us sing!
2 That night the apostles met in fear;
3 When Thomas first the tidings heard,
4 “My pierced side, O Thomas, see;
5 No longer Thomas as then denied,
6 How blest are they who have not seen,

1 The King of heaven, the glorious King,
2 a midst them came their Lord most dear,
3 how they had seen the risen Lord,
4 my hands, my feet, I show to thee;
5 he saw the feet, the hands, the side;
6 and yet whose faith has constant been,

1 o'er death and hell rose triumphing. Al - le - lu - ia!
2 and said, “My peace be on all here.” Al - le - lu - ia!
3 he doubted the disciples’ word. Al - le - lu - ia!
4 not faithless, but believing be.” Al - le - lu - ia!
5 “Thou art my Lord and God,” he cried. Al - le - lu - ia!
6 for they eternal life shall win. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Antiphon (at the end)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

This hymn is for the Second Sunday of Easter and St. Thomas’ Day.

THE DISMISSAL

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

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

**POSTLUDE**

Concerto in G major, BWV 592

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD,

and in thanksgiving for the baptism today of Emma Grace Neville and Isaac Emrys Ornstein

and the blessing of the baptism of Ezra Lagera George,

and in memory of Nancy Matthews, whose funeral and interment were yesterday.

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