### SUMMER SEASON: PROPER 6 | THE HOLY EUCHARIST

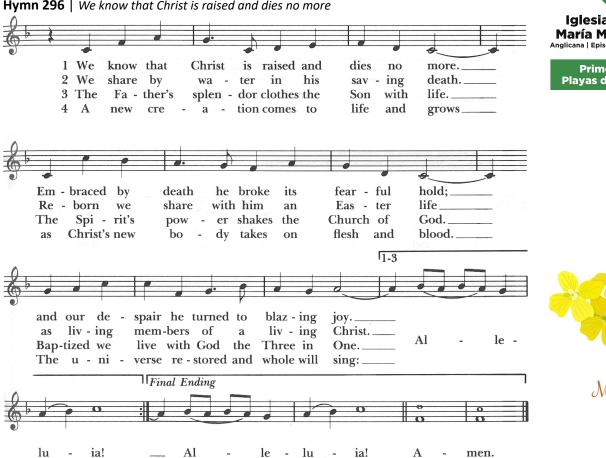
The reign of God arrives through God's grace, not by human striving for power.

#### About this Gathering

Summer season propers is a period of reflection for Christ-followers on the Crucified Risen Christ Jesus that aims to encourage us to learn and practice Reign of God discipleship. Please lift your voice in hymns, worship and prayer!

#### Prelude

Hymn 296 | We know that Christ is raised and dies no more



#### THE WORD OF GOD

#### **Opening Acclamation**

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God. Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

Song of Praise | Gloria, gloria, gloria | Sung twice. Your choice of language.



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# Collects

God be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

O Lord our God, creator of heaven and earth, through your Son Jesus Christ you have revealed yourself as a heavenly Father to all of your children. Bless, we pray, all earthly fathers. Strengthen them to nurture, protect, and guide the children entrusted to their care. Instill within them the virtues of love and patience. May they be slow to anger and quick to forgive. And through the ministrations of your Holy Spirit, may all fathers be strong and steadfast examples of faithfulness, responsibility, and loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

**Ezekiel 17:22-24** | While the people hoped for political restoration & restored power, God alone brings Israel's true destiny. A Reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender shoot from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will transplant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will transplant it, and it will produce boughs and bear fruit and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree; I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 92** | A thanksgiving for the righteous rule of God.

Let us read Psalm 92 responsively.

- It is a good thing to give thanks to the LORD, \* and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;
- To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning \* and of your faithfulness in the night season;
- On the psaltery, and on the lyre, \* *and to the melody of the harp.*
- For you have made me glad by your acts, O LORD; \* and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.
- The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, \* and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.
- Those who are planted in the house of the LORD \* shall flourish in the courts of our God;
- They shall still bear fruit in old age; \* they shall be green and succulent;
- That they may show how upright the LORD is, \* my Rock, in whom there is no fault.
- 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17 | Believers are not yet "with the Lord", but they are always in Christ.

A Reading from Paul's second letter to the Church in Corinth.

So we are always confident, even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to be pleasing to him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive due recompense for actions done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for

themselves but for the one who for their sake died and was raised. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we no longer know him in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; look, new things have come into being!

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.



Hymn 711 | Seek ye first the kingdom of God

**Mark 4:26-34** | The reign of God is God's presence in our world. The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

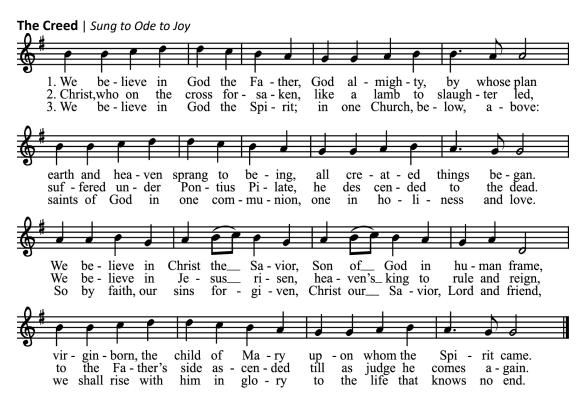
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Sermon



Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); Music: Hymn to Joy, Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827), alt.

#### **Prayers of the People**

Gracious God, open our ears to hear your word. Open our hearts to receive it and transform us. Make your Church the fertile ground in which your love can grow. In your mercy,

Lord, hear our prayer.

Give leaders everywhere a heart for their people and the commitment to the common good. Cultivate in each of us seeds of mercy, justice and peace. In your mercy,

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for healing for those who suffer from any ailment, or isolation, or want, especially those for whom we pray today: \_\_\_\_\_\_. We pray for a peaceful end for those who will die today, we remember those who have gone before and we pray for your peace and comfort for those who mourn, especially those for whom we pray today: \_\_\_\_\_\_. Sow in all of us seeds of compassion. In your mercy,

### Lord, hear our prayer.

Strengthen your image in our lives that we may reflect your goodness, your righteousness, your reign in all that we say or do. In your mercy,

Lord, hear our prayer.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

#### **Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

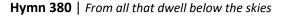
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

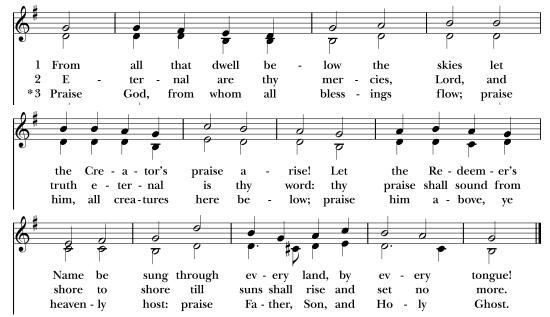
#### Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you. And also with you.

#### HOLY COMMUNION | Please share Communion with us

**Offering** | An Invitation to Joy & Gratitude | Give in Person with Offering Basket, by US Mail or Online. Gifts received are blessed with this prayer: "Generous God, at your table we present this money, symbol of the work you have given us to do; use it, use us, in the service of your world to the glory of your name. Amen."





#### The Great Thanksgiving

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty.

For everything in heaven and on earth is yours. Yours, O God, is the reign of heaven, and you are exalted as head over all.

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

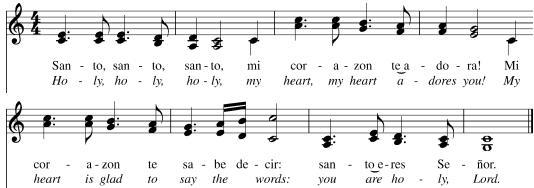
We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Savior, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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:

WLP 785 | Santo. santo. santo Holv. holv. holv | Sung twice. Your choice of language.



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 sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior 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 Jesus 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, according to his command, O Father,

We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory; And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary Magdalene and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

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 forever. Amen.

#### The Breaking of the Bread & Communion

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread. The Gifts of God for the People of God.

> Following Jesus' prophetic example to welcome everyone to His table, St. Mary's welcomes everyone to take communion with us.

#### **Sending Prayer**

#### Let us pray together.

Almighty God, giver of all good things, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the precious body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ. We thank you for your love and care in assuring us of your gift of eternal life and uniting us with the blessed company of all faithful people. Therefore, everliving God, keep us steadfast in your holy fellowship. And now we offer ourselves, all that we have and are, to serve you faithfully in the world, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **Blessing Over the People**

May Christ Jesus, who has nourished us with himself, the living bread, make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day and the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. *Amen.* 





### Dismissal

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