



# Apostles

## Anglican Church

**The Sunday After Ascension Day**

6/1/2025

**Liturgy for the Traditional Service**

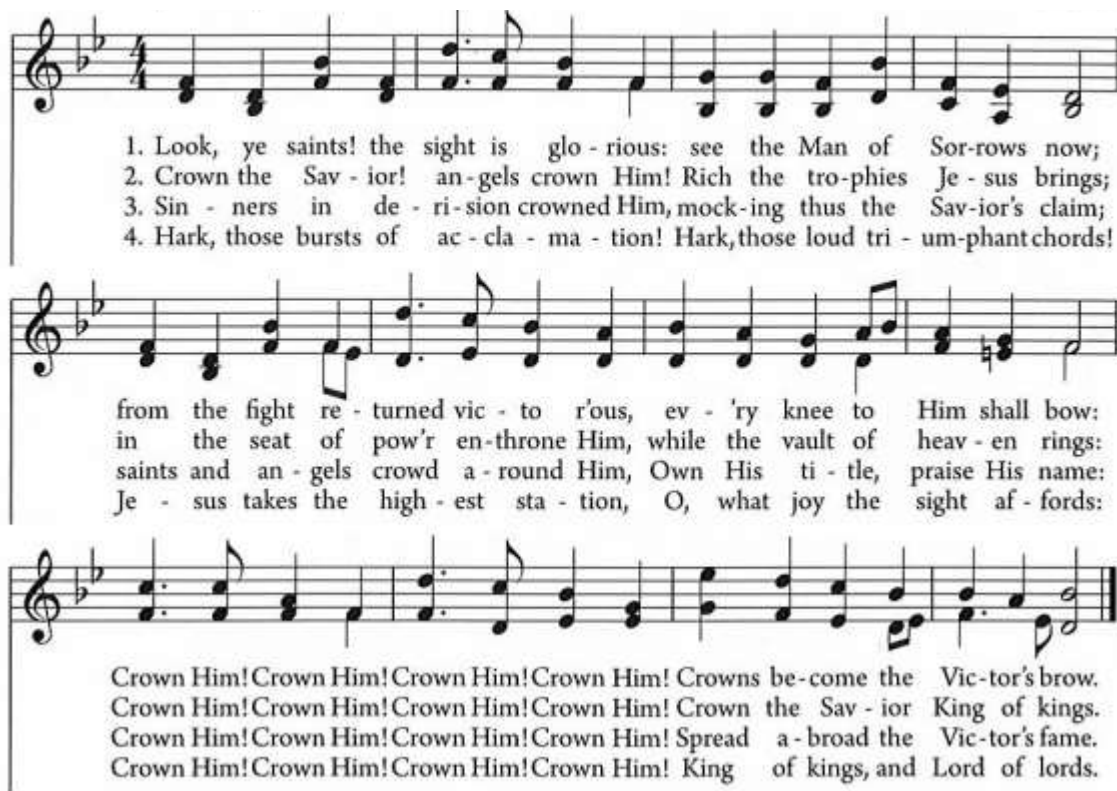
The Anglican Church of North America

**THE PRELUDE:** Variations on "Fairest Lord Jesus" - arr. David Johnson

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

**THE BELL** (*congregation standing*)

**HYMN:** Look Ye Saints, the Sight is Glorious



1. Look, ye saints! the sight is glo - rious: see the Man of Sor - rows now;  
2. Crown the Sav - ior! an - gels crown Him! Rich the tro - phies Je - sus brings;  
3. Sin - ners in de - ri - sion crowned Him, mock - ing thus the Sav - ior's claim;  
4. Hark, those bursts of ac - cla - ma - tion! Hark, those loud tri - um - phant chords!

from the fight re - turned vic - to r'ous, ev - 'ry knee to Him shall bow:  
in the seat of pow'r en - throne Him, while the vault of heav - en rings:  
saints and an - gels crowd a - round Him, Own His ti - tle, praise His name:  
Je - sus takes the high - est sta - tion, O, what joy the sight af - fords:

Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crowns be - come the Vic - tor's brow.  
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown the Sav - ior King of kings.  
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Spread a - broad the Vic - tor's fame.  
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! King of kings, and Lord of lords.

### THE ACCLAMATION

**Bishop:** The Lord will pour out his Spirit upon all flesh,

**People:** *And your sons and daughters shall prophesy.*

**Bishop:** Your old men shall dream dreams,

**People:** *And your young men shall see visions.*

**Bishop:** You shall know that the Lord is in the midst of his people,

**People:** *That he is the Lord and there is none else.*

Bishop: And it shall come to pass

**People:** *That everyone who calls on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.*

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And with your spirit.*

Bishop: Let us pray.

### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

### THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

*Matthew 22:37-40*

### THE GLORIA



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



### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And with your spirit.*

Minister: 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.

**Amen.**

### THE LESSONS *(congregation seated)*

### **Acts 16:16-34**

As we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by fortune-telling. She followed Paul and us, crying out, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." And this she kept doing for many days. Paul, having become greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the rulers. And when they had brought them to the magistrates, they said, "These men are Jews, and they are disturbing our city. They advocate customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to accept or practice." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, ordering the jailer to keep them safely. Having received this order, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened. When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." And the jailer called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family. Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God.

**Reader:** The word of the Lord.

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

## **Psalm 68:1-20**

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; \*  
let those who hate him also flee before him.
- 2 As the smoke vanishes, so shall you drive them away; \*  
and as wax melts before the fire, so let the ungodly perish before the presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; \*  
let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his Name; magnify him who rides upon the heavens. \*  
The LORD is his Name; rejoice before him.
- 5 He is a father of the fatherless and defends the cause of the widows, \*  
God in his holy habitation.
- 6 He is the God who gives the solitary a home, and brings the prisoners out of captivity, \*  
but lets the rebellious dwell in a desert land.
- 7 O God, when you went forth before the people, \*  
when you went through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the heavens poured forth rain at the presence of God, \*  
even as Sinai also was moved at the presence of God, who is the God of Israel.
- 9 You, O God, sent a gracious rain upon your inheritance \*  
and refreshed the land when it was weary.
- 10 Your congregation found a dwelling there, \*  
for you, O God, of your goodness have provided for the poor.
- 11 The Lord gave the word; \*  
great was the company of those who proclaimed the tidings.
- 12 Kings with their armies fled, they fled, \*  
and the women at home divided the spoil.
- 13 Though you have lain among the sheepfolds, \*  
yet shall you be like the wings of a dove that are covered with silver, and whose feathers shine like gold.
- 14 When the Almighty scattered kings, \*  
it was as if it snowed in Zalmon.
- 15 As the hill of Bashan, so is God's hill, \*  
even a high hill, as the hill of Bashan.
- 16 Why look with envy, you high hills? This is God's hill, on which it pleases him to dwell; \*  
surely, the LORD will abide on it for ever.
- 17 The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels, \*  
and the Lord has come from Sinai into the holy place.
- 18 You have gone up on high; you have led captivity captive, and received gifts from men, \*  
even from your enemies, that the LORD God might dwell among them.

19 Praised be the Lord daily, \*

even the God who helps us and pours his benefits upon us.

20 He is our God, the God from whom salvation comes; \*

God is the LORD, by whom we escape death.

**All: *Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.***

### **Revelation 22:10-21**

And he said to me, “Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. Let the evildoer still do evil, and the filthy still be filthy, and the righteous still do right, and the holy still be holy.”

“Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay each one for what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

“I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

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

**The Gospel** (*congregation standing*)

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

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

**John 17:20-26**

“I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**THE SERMON**

**THE NICENE CREED** (*congregation standing*)

***We believe in one God,***

***the Father, the Almighty,***

***maker of heaven and earth,***

***of all that is, visible and invisible.***

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,***

***the only-begotten 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,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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.*

## **Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

**Bishop:** 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, by which we once renounced the devil and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

Do you, here in the presence of God and the Church, renew the solemn promises and vows made at your Baptism and commit yourself to keep them?

**People**        *I do.*

Bishop: Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

**People:** *I renounce them.*

Bishop: Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

**People:** *I renounce them.*

Bishop: Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

**People:** *I renounce them.*

Bishop: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

**Candidate:** *I do.*

Bishop: Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

**Candidate:** *I do.*

Bishop: Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandment, and walk in them all the days of your life?

**Candidate:** *I will, with the Lord being my helper.*

Bishop: Let us now reaffirm our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostle's Creed.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**People:** *I do.*

*I believe in God the Father almighty,*

***Creator of heaven and earth.***

Bishop: Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

***People: I do.***

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

***He was conceived by 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.***

Bishop: Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

***People: I do.***

***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. Amen***

Bishop: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.  
***Amen.***

## **THE PEACE** *(congregation standing)*

Bishop: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** *And with your spirit.*

## **THE DOXOLOGY** *(congregation standing)*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.*

## **THE OFFERTORY**

Celebrant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all.

All things come from you, O Lord,

**People:** *And of your own have we given you.*

## **THE SURSUM CORDA** *(congregation standing)*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And with your spirit.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People:** *We lift them up 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, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who after his most glorious resurrection appeared to his Apostles, and in their sight ascended into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory.

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 SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION *(congregation kneeling)*

All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of your dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we your humble servants celebrate and make here before your divine Majesty, with these holy gifts, the memorial your Son commanded us to make; remembering his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and his promise to come again.

And we earnestly desire your fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; asking you to grant that, by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his Blood, we and your whole Church may obtain forgiveness of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, because of our many sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we ask you to accept this duty and service we owe, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

*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 FRACTION: This is Jesus

*This is Jesus, Emmanuel;  
God is with us in this sacrament.  
Come receive Him, adore Him.  
This is Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

*We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in your abundant and great mercies.  
We are not worthy so much as to gather up  
the crumbs under your table;  
but you are the same Lord  
whose character is always to have mercy.  
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,  
and to drink his blood,  
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,  
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,  
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

## **THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

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.

## **THE PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

*Almighty and everliving God,*

*we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries,*

*with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;*

*and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us:  
that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son,  
the blessed company of all faithful people;  
and are also heirs, through hope,  
of your everlasting kingdom.*

*And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father,*

*to assist us with your grace,*

*that we may continue in that holy fellowship,*

*and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in;*

*through Jesus Christ our Lord,*

*to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,*

*be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

## **THE BLESSING**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## **THE RECESSIONAL** *(congregation standing)*

**HYMN:** Fairest Lord Jesus *(next page)*

## **THE DISMISSAL**


Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!



**People:** Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**THE POSTLUDE:** Chorale and Alleluia - Raymond Haan

**HYMN:** Fairest Lord Jesus



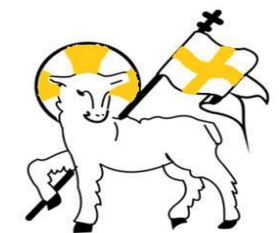
1. Fair - est Lord Je - sus, rul - er of all na - ture, O Thou of  
2. Fair are the mead - ows, fair - er still the wood - lands, robed in the  
3. Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the moon - light, and all the  
4. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior! Lord of all the na - tions! Son of

God and man the Son, Thee will I cher - ish,  
bloom - ing garb of spring; Je - sus is fair - er,  
twink - ling star - ry host; Je - sus shines bright - er,  
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or,

Thee will I hon - or, Thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.  
Je - sus is pur - er, Who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.  
Je - sus shines pur - er than all the an - gels heav'n can boast.  
praise, ad - o - ra - tion, now and for - ev - er - more be Thine.







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*We kindly ask that children stay on the Sanctuary level during  
discipleship hour and after services for their safety.*

*There is always a team available to pray with you during Communion.*