



St. George's
Episcopal
Church

Children's Bulletin

Holy Eucharist

10:00 am

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 10, 2026



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From the Book of Common Prayer
(BCP) and *The Sunday Paper: Lection-
ary Cartoons*

Prelude: *St. George's Children's Chimes*

Holy, Holy, Holy/When the Saints Go Marchin' In Medley

Opening Hymn: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hand"

**He's got the whole world in His hand,
He's got the whole world in His hand,
He's got the whole world in His hand,
He's got the whole world in His hand.**

**He's got you and me sister in His hand,
He's got you and me sister in His hand,
He's got you and me sister in His hand,
He's got the whole world in His hand.**

**He's got you and me brother in His hand,
He's got you and me brother in His hand,
He's got you and me brother in His hand,
He's got the whole world in His hand.**

**He's got the pretty little baby in His hand,
He's got the pretty little baby in His hand,
He's got the pretty little baby in His hand,
He's got the whole world in His hand.**

**He got everybody here in His hand,
He got everybody here in His hand,
He got everybody here in His hand,
He's got the whole world in His hand.**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

BCP 355

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.**

Song of Praise: "Glory Be to God on High"

sung to the tune of "Michael Row Your Boat Ashore"

Glory Be to God on High, Alleluia!

Glory Be to God on High, Alleluia!

repeat 2x

The Word of God

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect (Prayer) of the Day

BCP 225

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The First Reading

A reading from the first letter of Peter

1 Peter 3:13-22 *New Revised Standard Version*

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

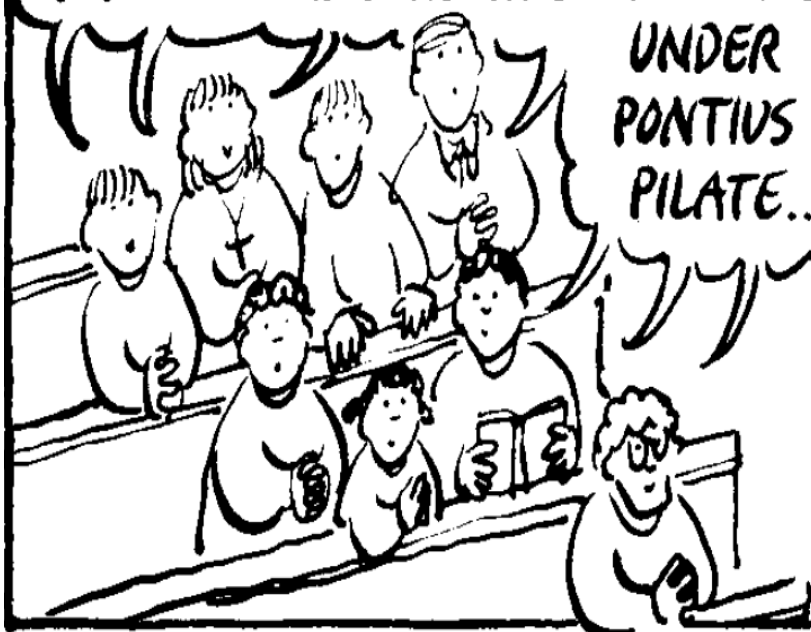
Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People: Thanks be to God.

1 PETER 3:15-18

"Keep always in your hearts
the faith that Jesus is Lord,
and that he died to save you"

FOR OUR SAKE HE WAS CRUCIFIED
UNDER
PONTIUS
PILATE...



The Psalm (Psalm 66, verses 7-18)

Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

*Who holds our souls in life, **
and will not allow our feet to slip.

For you, O God, have proved us; *
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

*You brought us into the snare; **
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through
fire and water; *
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

*I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you
my vows, **
*which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when
I was in trouble.*

I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; *
I will give you oxen and goats.

*Come and listen, all you who fear God, **
and I will tell you what he has done for me.

I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue.

*If I had found evil in my heart, **
the Lord would not have heard me;

But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

*Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, **
nor withheld his love from me.

PSALM 66:7

"Bless the Lord, all you peoples
of the earth!"



Sequence Hymn: "God is So Good"

God is so good, God is so good,
God is so good, He's so good to me.

He cares for me, He cares for me,
He cares for me, He's so good to me.

He's all I need, He's all I need,
He's all I need, He's so good to me.

The Gospel Reading (John 14:15-21)

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

People: Glory to you, O Christ.

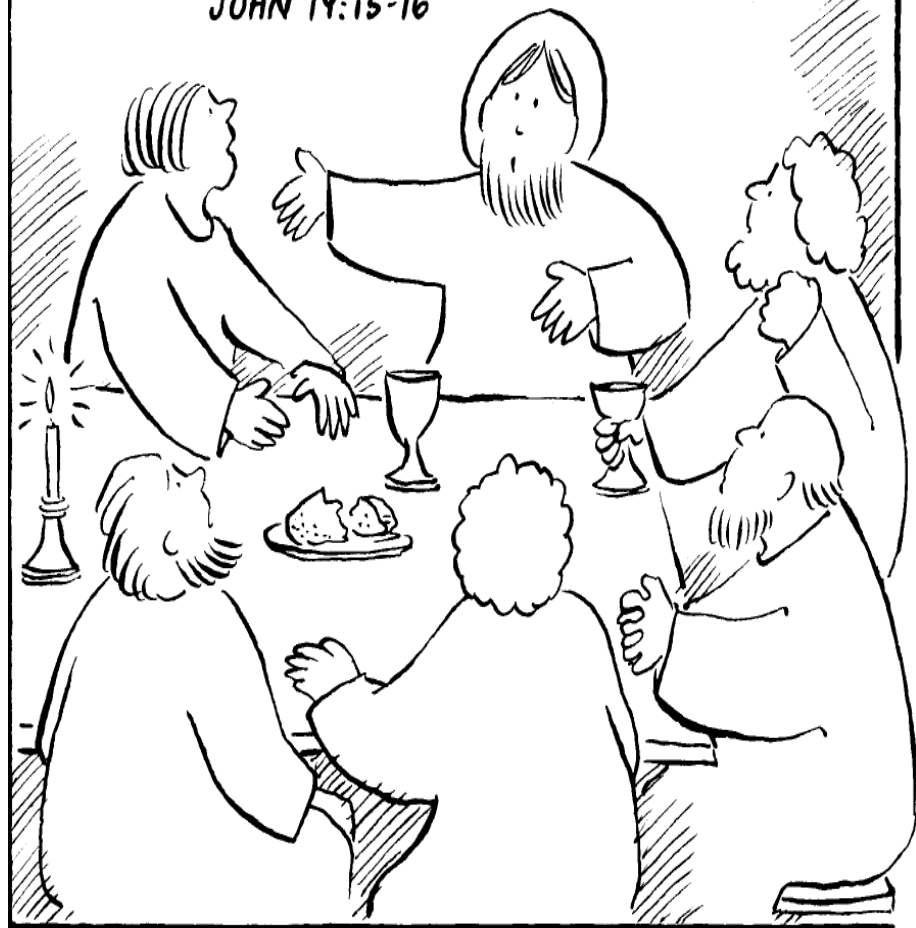
Jesus said to his disciples, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Deacon or Priest: The Gospel of our Savior.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

Jesus said,
"If you love me, keep my commandments,
and God will send you the Holy Spirit."

JOHN 14:15-16



The Sermon

Ryan Garcia
The Rev. Rock Higgins

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

Prayers of the People

Loving God, we pray for your Church around the world, Christ's body here on earth. We pray for its members and their growth in Christ. We pray for their mission to be of service to those in need sharing the light and love of Christ. We lift up those persecuted for their faith in you. May they have courage to proclaim the Gospel and the strength to endure hardship.

In your mercy, Loving God

Hear our prayer.

We pray for our nation and its leaders. May they have clarity of mind, and the resolve to be compassionate to all, especially those in most need. May they make wise decisions and have good intentions.

In your mercy, Loving God

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the welfare of the world, remembering the environment that you put into our care. We pray for those affected by war directly and indirectly, particularly the economic and agrarian impacts. We pray especially for Ukraine, Palestine, Lebanon, Israel, Venezuela, Sudan, and anywhere in conflict.

In your mercy, Loving God

Hear our prayer.

We pray for greater Fredericksburg. The local shootings and the school lockdowns caused by them. For robberies and those affected, we pray. For the pollution of the streams and rivers, Lord, forgive us. Help us make this area more like heaven each day.

In your mercy, Loving God

Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who are grieving or hurting. Be with them, loving God, and help us make a difference where we can. We pray for the departed and entrust them to you.

In your mercy, Loving God

Hear our prayer.

Officiant: Loving God, who loves us like our mothers, and even more. We pray for the children and youth leading us today, and for the mothers and mother figures who impact them so much. We pray for our mothers and thank you for the good they did in our lives. Gather us all like a mother hen under your wings and let us abide in that love all our days. In the name of the Risen Lord, Jesus, and in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. **Amen**

A special "peace" candle is lit and this prayer is offered

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility your dominion may increase until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Confession

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

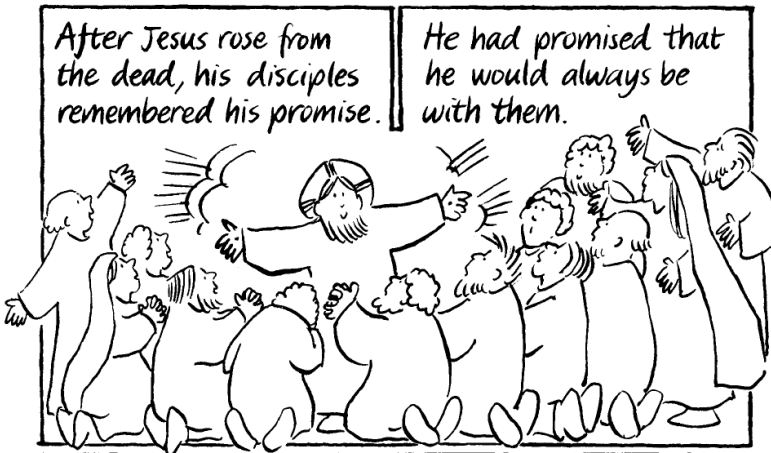
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

All are now invited to exchange a sign of peace.



The Offertory

Offertory Anthem: "God is Here with Me"

The St. George's Children's Choir dedicates this song to all the mothers, grandmothers, and caregivers out there. Happy Mother's Day. Thank you for showing us the way.

God is in my voice when I am singing.
God is in my voice, right here in my song.
God is in my voice when I am singing.
God is in my voice, right here in my song.

God is here with me, Alleluia!
God is here with me, Alleluia!

God is in my mind when I am praying.
God is in my mind, right here in my prayer.
God is in my mind when I am praying.
God is in my mind, right here in my prayer.

God is here with me, Alleluia!
God is here with me, Alleluia!

God is in my heart when I am sleeping,
God is in my heart, right here in my sleep.
God is in my heart when I am sleeping,
God is in my heart, right here in my sleep.

God is here with me, Alleluia!
God is here with me, Alleluia!

The Presentation

Presentation Hymn: "Wade in the Water"

Refrain: Wade in the water, wade in the water, children
Wade in the water, God's a-gonna trouble the water.

See that host all dressed in white,
God's a-gonna trouble the water.
The leader looks like the Israelite,
God's a-gonna trouble the water.

Refrain

See that band all dressed in red,
God's a-gonna trouble the water.
Looks like the band that Moses led,
God's a-gonna trouble the water.

Refrain



Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer A

Expansive Language Version

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our 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. 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:

Sanctus: WLP 858

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker and of all. Jesus 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 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

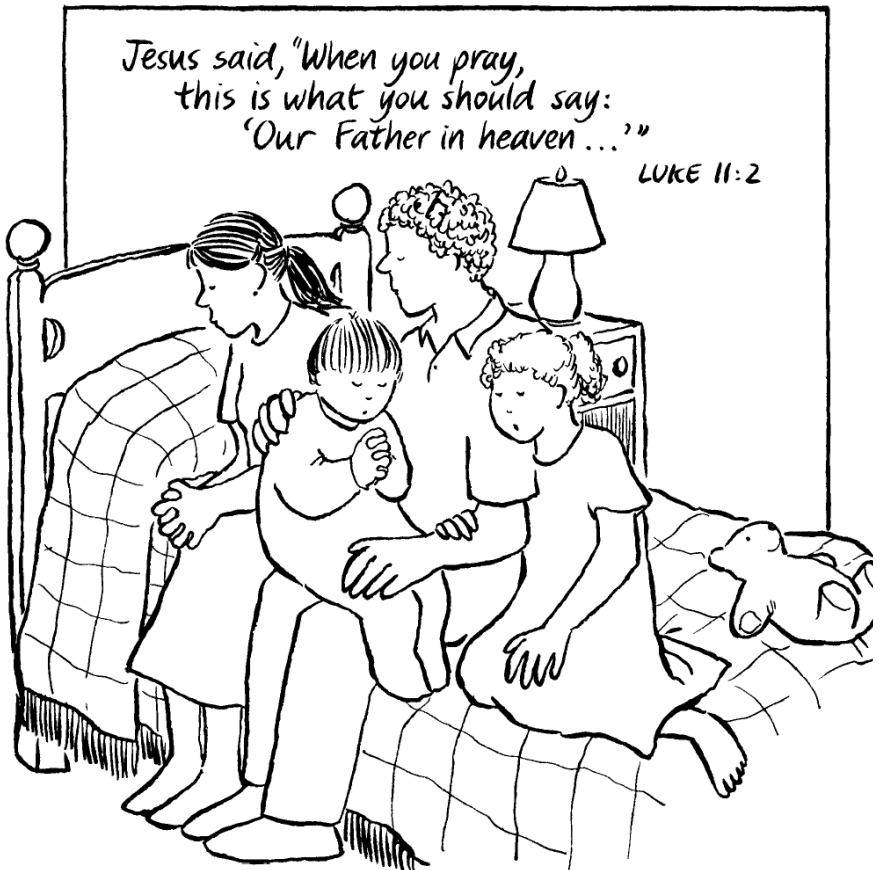
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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 877

Mark Sedio

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

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The bread which we break, alleluia,

is the communion of the body of Christ.

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

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

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: 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 children are welcome to participate in Communion.

Communion Hymn: "Jesus loves me this I know"

Jesus loves me! This I know, For the bible tells me so;

Little ones to Him belong; They are weak but He is strong.

Refrain: Yes Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! He who died, Heaven's gate to open wide;
he will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in.

Refrain

Jesus take this heart of mine, Make it pure and wholly thine;
on the cross you died for me, I will try to live for thee.

Refrain

Music During Communion: "Kum Ba Yah"

Kumbaya my Lord, kumbaya,
Kumbaya my Lord, kumbaya
Kumbaya my Lord, kumbaya,
Oh Lord, kumbaya

Someone's singing Lord, kumbaya,
Someone's singing Lord, kumbaya
Someone's singing Lord, kumbaya,
Oh Lord, kumbayah

Someone's crying Lord, kumbaya,
Someone's crying Lord, kumbaya
Someone's crying Lord, kumbaya,
Oh Lord, kumbaya

Someone's praying Lord, kumbaya,
Someone's praying Lord, kumbaya
Someone's praying Lord, kumbaya,
Oh Lord, kumbaya

Oh Lord, kumbaya,
Oh Lord, kumbaya
Oh Lord, kumbaya,
Oh Lord, kumbaya

The Prayer After Communion

Enriching Our Worship

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Closing Hymn: "I'm Goin'-a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"

**I'm goin'-a sing when the Spirit says sing
I'm goin'-a sing when the Spirit says sing
I'm goin'-a sing when the Spirit says sing
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.**

**I'm goin'-a pray when the Spirit says pray
I'm goin'-a pray when the Spirit says pray
I'm goin'-a pray when the Spirit says pray
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.**

**I'm goin'-a moan when the Spirit says moan
I'm goin'-a moan when the Spirit says moan
I'm goin'-a moan when the Spirit says moan
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.**

**I'm goin'-a shout when the Spirit says shout
I'm goin'-a shout when the Spirit says shout
I'm goin'-a shout when the Spirit says shout
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.**

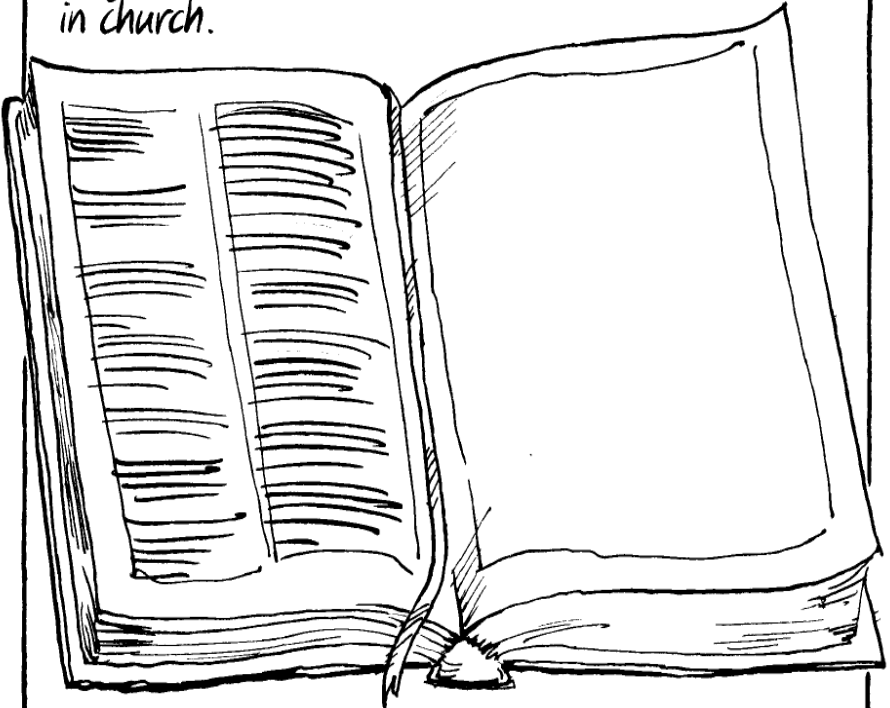
The Dismissal

Celebrant: Alleluia, Alleluia, let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ.

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

After Jesus rose from the dead, people came to know him and believe in him even if they had never known him before he died on the cross. He promised to be with everyone who believes in him.

We can know Jesus because we read about him in the Bible. We can come close to him when we pray, and when we share bread and wine in church.



Draw a picture of Jesus on the page of this Bible.



ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL
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VBS & Music Camp

July 20-24
9am - 12pm
Rising Grades K-6

Games!

Stories!

Music!

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Performing
"The Lost Boy:
Young Jesus in the Temple"
Musical

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Community service, leadership, and fun!

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