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Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 3, 2026

Opening Hymn: Hymnal #518 Christ is made the sure foundation

Collect of the Day

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.*

First Reading: Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

The Psalm: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 BCP: Page 622-624

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious;
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the very head of the corner”,

And

“A stone that makes them stumble,
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,
but now you are God’s people;
once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy.

Sequence Hymn: Hymnal #487 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life

The Gospel: John 14:1-14

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own;

but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Offertory Anthem: Hymnal #488 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

Communion Hymns

Hymn #1: Hymnal #490 I want to walk as a child of the light

Hymn #2: Nada te Turbe

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Nada te Turbe". It is written in common time (C) and begins with a tempo marking of quarter note = 72. The score is arranged for voice and piano. The vocal line is in the upper staff, and the piano accompaniment is in the lower staff. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The score includes a first ending marked "1. F" and a dynamic marking of *mf*. The piano accompaniment starts with a dynamic marking of *p* and later changes to *mf*. The chords are indicated above the vocal line: Am, Dm7, G, Cmaj7, F, and Dm6.

Am Dm7 G Cmaj7 1. F Dm6

p *mf* *p* *mf*

Na - da te tur - be, na - da te es - pan - te. Quien a Dios tie - ne
Noth - ing can trou - ble, noth - ing can fright - en. Those who seek God shall

na - da le fal - ta. So - lo Dios bas - ta.
nev - er go want - ing. God a - lone fills us.

Recognition of Ministries: Pastoral Care

Presider: Friends in Christ, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one Body, and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good.

Sr. Warden: Jennifer Bianchi, Katharine Nelson, Denise Leslie, Shar Reagan, and Lynne Kent have been called to the Ministry of Pastoral Care.

People: Praise be to God, who has called you to this service.

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider: Look with favor upon those whom you have called, O God, and grant that they may be so filled with your Holy Spirit that they may minister in their chosen task with joy and steadfast devotion; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Presider: In the Name of God, we recognize you Jennifer Bianchi, Katharine Nelson, Denise Leslie, Shar Reagan, and Lynne Kent, as Pastoral care team members and give you this gift as a token of your ministry.

Processional Hymn: Hymnal #492 Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

SERVING TODAY

Presider & Preacher: The Right Reverend Dr. Greg W. Kimura, Bishop

Cathedral Deacon: The Reverend Deacon Nancy Key

Eucharistic Ministers: Jeni-Ann Kren & Melanie Short

Altar Guild Servers: Jean Fennacy, Jane Martin, Sue Loucks

Readers: Shar Reagan & Emily Niblick

Counters: Matt Gerking & Shar Reagan

CATHEDRAL EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Prayer Book Gatherings:** Join us to learn about one of our greatest resources, The Book of Common Prayer! This book study takes place on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Fireside room. We will gather to talk about the value, spirituality, and discipline of the BCP using the book *Inwardly Digest: The Prayer Book as Guide to a Spiritual Life* written by Derek Oslen. We'll end the gatherings with a liturgy from the BCP.
- **Women's Breakfast:** Save the Date!! Our next Women's Breakfast is happening Saturday, May 16th. Additional details to follow.
- **Bible Study:** Join Emily Niblick as leads the latest bible study beginning May 21st. The fourth gospel of John is characterized by descriptions and scenes which differ greatly from the first three (synoptic) gospels. Did the writer of John have his own sources? Come explore this beautiful gospel as we discuss what this unique gospel story has to share with us! Happening Thursdays at 11 a.m. in the Chapter Conference room located inside the Admin. Building. Zoom information can be found on the master calendar.
- **Pride Sign-ups:** Save the Date! The Fresno Rainbow Pride Parade & Festival is Saturday, June 6th! You can now sign up to participate in the Parade and/or volunteer to run our St. James Cathedral Pride booth. Signup sheets can be found in the Narthex. If you would like to be part of the Pride Planning team please contact Vicki Curtis.
- **Handcraft Days:** Join the Arts group on Wednesdays for their weekly craft day. Currently happening in the Fireside room from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Can't make it on Wednesdays? Join them on the 4th Saturday of the month, same place, same time!
- **Cathedral Discretionary Fund:** This is a particular time of crisis for some members of St. James who need our help with food, clothing, and necessities. Please prayerfully consider donating to the Cathedral Discretionary Fund, online or by check, to support those in need.