

*The unforgettable love story of a mother blinded by loss and her husband who insists on their survival as they undertake the Syrian refugee trail to Europe.*

Nuri is a beekeeper; his wife, Afra, an artist. They live a simple life, rich in family and friends, in the beautiful Syrian city of Aleppo—until the unthinkable happens. When all they care for is destroyed by war, they are forced to escape. But what Afra has seen is so terrible she has gone blind, and so they must embark on a perilous journey through Turkey and Greece towards an uncertain future in Britain. On the way, Nuri is sustained by the knowledge that waiting for them is Mustafa, his cousin and business partner, who has started an apiary and is teaching fellow refugees in Yorkshire to keep bees.

As Nuri and Afra travel through a broken world, they must confront not only the pain of their own unspeakable loss, but dangers that would overwhelm the bravest of souls. Above all, they must journey to find each other again.

Moving, powerful, compassionate, and beautifully written, *The Beekeeper of Aleppo* is a testament to the triumph of the human spirit. It is the kind of book that reminds us of the power of storytelling.

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#### Sunday Services

8:00 A.M. - Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
9:00 A.M. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
11:00 A.M. – Morning Prayer, Rite I  
Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
First Sunday each month

#### Weekday Services

**Monday – Friday**  
8:10 A.M. – Morning Prayer, Rite I  
6:00 P.M. – Evening Prayer, Rite I

Sixth Sunday of Easter  
May 22, 2022 • 9:00 AM

Processional Hymn 400

*All creatures of our God and King*

1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voic-es, let us  
\*2 Great rush-ing winds and breez-es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -  
\*3 Swift flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, make mu-sic for your Lord to  
4 Dear mo-ther earth, you day by day un-fold your bless-ings on our  
5 All you with mer-cy in your heart, for-giv-ing o-thers, take your  
\*6 And ev-en you, most gen-tle death, wait-ing to hush our fi-nal  
7 Let all things their cre-a-tor bless, and wor-ship him in hum-ble-

1 sing: Al - le lu ia, al - le lu ia! Bright burn - ing  
2 loft, O praise him, Al - le lu ia! Fair ris - ing  
3 hear, Al - le lu ia, al - le lu ia! Fire, so in -  
4 way, O praise him, Al - le lu ia! All flowers and  
5 part, O sing now: Al - le lu ia! All you that  
6 breath, O praise him, Al - le lu ia! You lead back  
7 ness, O praise him, Al - le lu ia! Praise God the

1 sun with gold-en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,  
2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,  
3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,  
4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:  
5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:  
6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:  
7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

*Refrain*

O praise him, O praise him, Al - le lu ia,  
al - le lu ia, al - le lu ia!



Next Planning Meeting: Sunday, June 5th at 10 AM

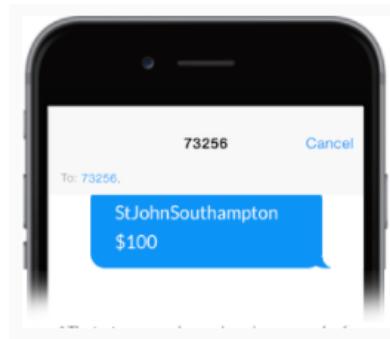
## Announcements

**BULLETINS:** Worshipping remote? You can follow along our Sunday services by downloading our Bulletins from our website, [stjohnsouthampton.org](http://stjohnsouthampton.org). The Bulletins are uploaded every Saturday afternoon for your convenience.

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## Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## Hymn of Praise

## *Gloria in Excelsis*

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  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*           And also with you.  
*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

### The Collect

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 Liturgy of the Word

#### First Reading

*Acts 16:9-15*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.



### Dedications

The flowers at the altar this week have been given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Laine DiMaria Wayne by Gloria M. Meyers; and in loving memory of Cathy diMontezemolo by Hilary & Wilbur Ross, Ted, Olivia, Teddie, Jack, Dolly, Elosie & Hilary Geary; and in loving memory of Marjorie Schlesinger Deane & Disque Dee Deane by Walter Deane.



### Verse of the Week

"Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever."

Revelations 22:4-5

### “Quote of the Week”



**“The master of the garden is the one who waters it, trims the branches, plants the seeds, and pulls the weeds. If you merely stroll through the garden, you are but an acolyte.”**

Bishop Jackson Kemper. The first missionary bishop of the Episcopal Church, Bishop of Wisconsin, and founder of Nashotah House Theological Seminary.

d. 24 May 1870

## Closing Hymn 411

### *O bless the Lord, my soul*

1 O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee pro - claim!  
 2 O bless the Lord, my soul! His mer - cies bear in mind!  
 3 He will not al - ways chide; he will with pa - tience wait;  
 4 He par - dons all thy sins, pro - longs thy fee - ble breath;  
 5 He clothes thee with his love, up - holds thee with his truth;

1 And all that is with - in me join to bless his ho - ly Name!  
 2 For - get not all his ben - e - fits! The Lord to thee is kind.  
 3 his wrath is ev - er slow to rise and rea - dy to a - bate.  
 4 he heal - eth thine in - fir - mi - ties and ran - soms thee from death.  
 5 and like the ea - gle he re - news the vi - gor of thy youth.

6 Then bless his holy Name,  
 whose grace hath made thee whole,  
 whose loving-kindness crowns thy days:  
 O bless the Lord, my soul!

## The Dismissal

Celebrant

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 67

### *Deus misereatur*

1 May God be merciful to us and bless us,\*  
 show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

2 Let your ways be known upon earth,\*  
 your saving health among all nations.

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;\*  
 let all the peoples praise you.

4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,\*  
 for you judge the peoples with equity  
 and guide all the nations upon earth.

5 Let the peoples praise you, O God;\*  
 let all the peoples praise you.

6 The earth has brought forth her increase;\*  
 may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

7 May God give us his blessing,\*  
 and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

## Second Reading

A Reading from the Revelation to Saint John

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord

*People*      **Thanks be to God**

## Gospel Hymn 405

### *Each little flower that opens*

*Descant*

All things bright and beau - ti - ful, crea-tures great and small,

*Refrain*

All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,

through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty.  
through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty.  
one with the Trin - i - ty in U - ni - ty.

## Postcommunion Prayer

*Officiant and People*

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.

that all thy Church might be for ev - er one,  
 make thou our sad di - vi - sions soon to cease;  
 may we be one with all thy Church a - bove,  
  
 grant us at ev ery Eu - cha - rist to say  
 draw us the near er each to each, we plead,  
 one with thy saints in one un - bro - ken peace,  
  
 with long - ing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."  
 by draw - ing all to thee, O Prince of Peace;  
 one with thy saints in one un - bound - ed love;  
  
 O may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,  
 thus may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,  
 more bless - ed still, in peace and love to be

all things wise and won - der - ful, God made them all.  
 all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.  
  
 1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,  
 2 The pur - ple - head - ed moun - tain, the riv - er run - ning by,  
 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,  
 4 He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell

Repeat Refrain

he made their glow-ing col - ors, he made their ti - ny wings.  
 the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright -ens up the sky,  
 the ripe fruits in the gar - den, he made them ev - ery one.  
 how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John

## The Gospel

*John 5:1-9*

After Jesus healed the son of the official in Capernaum, there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids-- blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick

man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

*Officiant*      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*        Praise to you, O Christ.

## The Sermon

The Rev'd W. Patrick Edwards

### 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.

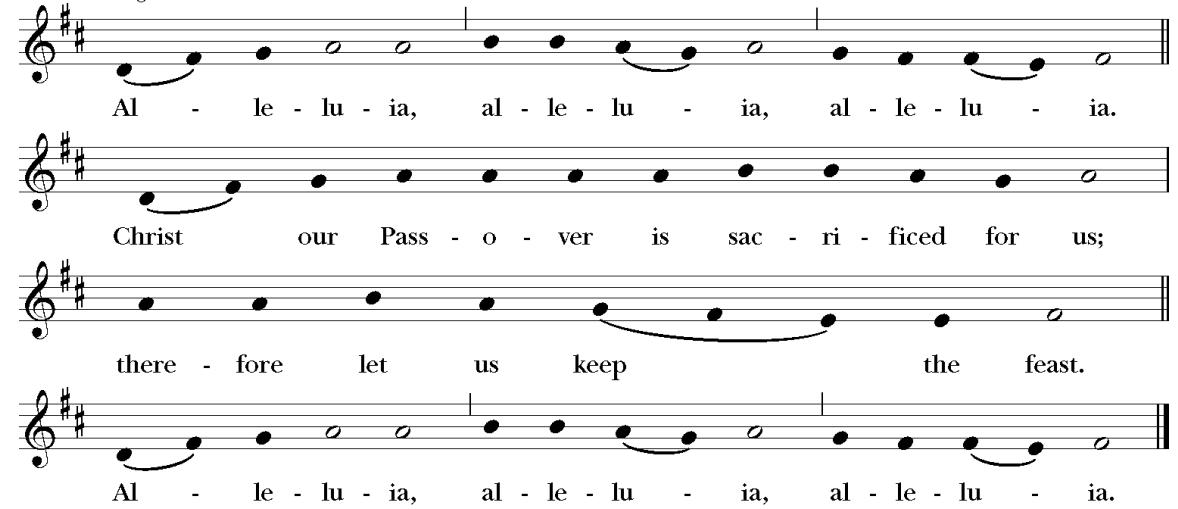
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

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.

## The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant and People

*This setting is not used in Lent.*



## The Invitation to Communion (BCP 364)

*The Priest invites the people 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.

## Postcommunion Hymn 315

*Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray*



1 Thou, who at thy first Eu - cha - rist didst pray  
2 For all thy Church, O Lord, we in - ter - cede;  
3 So, Lord, at length when sac - ra - ments shall cease,

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord 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 to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, 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 all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

And now, as our Savior  
Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

**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.

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**

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and Lawrence our diocesan bishop;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, especially Joseph, our President; Kathy, our Governor; and Jesse, our Mayor;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*  
*The People may add their own petitions.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## The Peace

*Officiant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## The Liturgy of the Table

### Offertory

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 Great Thanksgiving

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Officiant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Officiant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

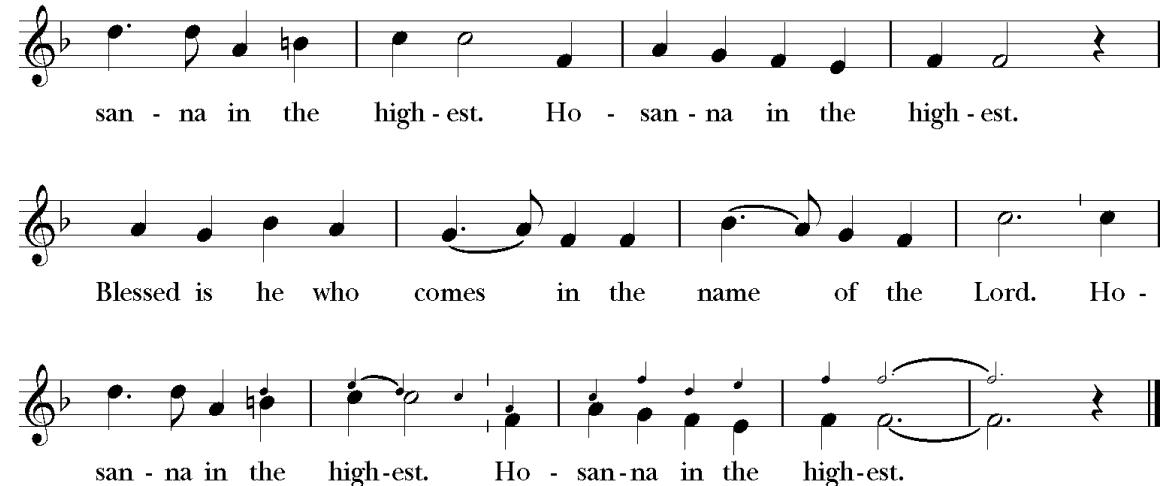
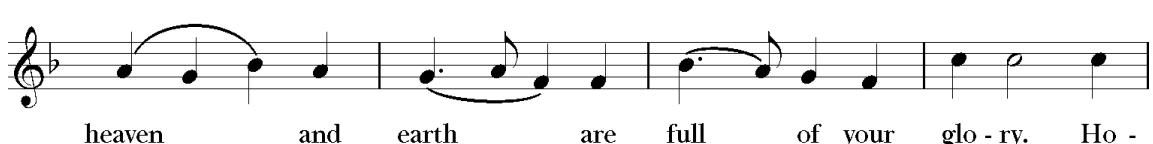
*People* It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where 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:



*Celebrant and People*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

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 him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, 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 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;