

The Holy Eucharist

April 28, 2024

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

St. Barnabas Mission Statement

We experience God's redeeming love in all and through all and respond to love through faithful worship, life-long spiritual growth, and committed outreach.

Our community shares a progressive faith, opens our arms to all seekers, and works to make the world more just.

This Sunday's image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the Vine and we the branches are alive in each other. In the mystery of mutual abiding described in the Gospel and the first letter of John, Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his Table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world.

A bell tolls.

THE GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We invite you to quiet your hearts and minds as we prepare for worship.

THE PRELUDE

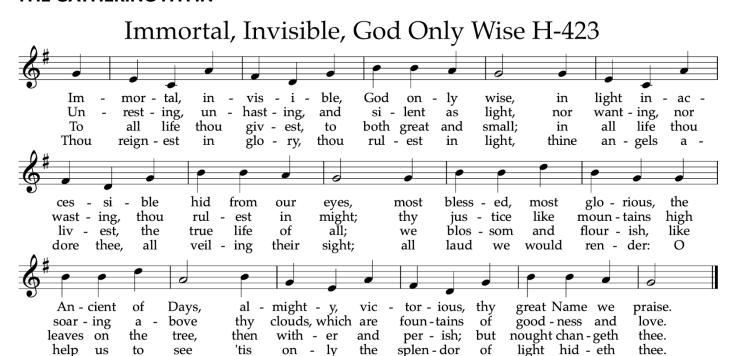
Prelude in C

J. S. Bach

The Liturgy of Gathering

Please stand in body or spirit.

THE GATHERING HYMN *



THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires are 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 Savior. Amen.

THE TRISAGION (7:45)

The Trisagion is prayed three times. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal One **Have mercy on us.**

THE HYMN OF PRAISE (9:30)*



THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your only-begotten One 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 Beloved One our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit.

THE FIRST READING Acts 8:26-40

Led by the Spirit, Philip encounters an Ethiopian official—a sexual minority—who is returning to his African home after having been to Jerusalem to worship. Philip uses their encounter to proclaim the gospel to him. Upon coming to faith in Jesus, he is baptized by Philip.

The reading is introduced.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

An angel of God spoke to Philip and said, "Be ready to set out at noon along the road that goes to Gaza, the desert road." So Philip began his journey. It happened that an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official in charge of the entire treasury of Candace, the ruler of Ethiopia, had come to Jerusalem on a pilgrimage and was returning home. He was sitting in his carriage and reading the prophet Isaiah. The Spirit said to Philip, "Go up and meet that carriage." When Philip ran up, he heard the eunuch reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" "How can I," the eunuch replied, "unless someone explains it to me?" With that, he invited Philip to get in the carriage with him. This was the passage of scripture being read:

"You are like a sheep being led to slaughter, you are like a lamb that is mute in front of its shearers: like them, you never open your mouth. You have been humiliated and have no one to defend you.

Who will ever talk about your descendants, since your life on earth has been cut short?"

The eunuch said to Philip, "Tell me, if you will, about whom the prophet is talking—himself or someone else?" So Philip proceeded to explain the Good News about Jesus to him. Further along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look, there is some water right there. Is there anything to keep me from being baptized?" He ordered the carriage to stop; then Philip and the eunuch both went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came out of the water, the Spirit of God snatched Philip away; the eunuch didn't see him anymore, and went on his way rejoicing. Philip found himself at Ashdod next, and he went about proclaiming the Good News in all the towns, until he came to Caesarea.

A brief silence, then:

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22:24-30 Deus, Deus meus

The psalm is sung responsively between choir and congregation.



My praise is of you in the great as -' sembly; *

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who / worship you

The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek you shall 'praise you: * "May your heart / live for ever!"

All the ends of the earth shall remember and 'turn to you, * and all the families of the nations shall / bow before you.

For yours is the royal power, O 'God; * you rule o -/ ver the nations.

To you alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in 'worship; * all who go down to the dust / fall before you.

My soul shall live for you; my descendants shall 'serve you; * they shall be known as / yours for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people yet un -' born * the saving deeds that / you have done.

Glory to God, Source of All Being, Incarnate Word, and Holy 'Spirit; * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. / Alleluia!

THE SECOND READING 1 John 4:7-21

We love God and others because God first loved us. We cannot say we love God, whom we have not seen, while hating fellow Christians, whom we regularly see. Love toward God is to be matched by love toward others because the essence of God is love.

The reading is introduced.

A reading from John's first letter.

Beloved, let us love one another because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten of God and has knowledge of God. Those who do not love have known nothing of God, for God is love. God's love was revealed in our midst in this way: by sending the Only Begotten into the world, that we might have faith through the Anointed One. Love, then, consists in this: not that we have loved God, but that God has loved us and has sent the Only Begotten to be an offering for our sins. Beloved, if God has loved us so, we must have the same love for one another. No one has ever seen God. Yet if we love one another, God dwells in us, and God's love is brought to perfection in us.

The way we know that we remain in God and God in us is that we have been given the Spirit. We have seen for ourselves and can testify that God has sent the Only Begotten as Savior of the world. When any acknowledge that Jesus is the Only Begotten, God dwells in them and they in God. We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God in them.Love will come to perfection in us when we can face the day of judgment without fear—because our relation to this world is just like Christ's. There is no fear in love, for perfect love drives out fear. To fear is to expect punishment, and anyone who is afraid is still imperfect in love.

We love because God first loved us. If you say you love God but hate your sister or brother, you are a liar. For you cannot love God, whom you have not seen, if you hate your neighbor, whom you have seen. If we love God, we should love our sisters and brothers as well; we have this commandment from God.

A brief silence, then:

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

Thanks be to God.

Please stand in body or spirit.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *



Cantor: I am the Vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much-fruit.

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 15:1-8

On the night of his arrest, Jesus taught the disciples about the relationship they would have with him. Those who abide in his word and love bear fruit, for apart from him, they can do nothing.

The Holy Gospel is announced.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

A brief silence, then:

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

The Homily The Rev. Garry Horle

Please stand in body or spirit.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Creator, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Beloved One of God, eternally begotten of the Creator, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Creator. Through Christ all things were made. For us and for our salvation **Christ came down from heaven:** and by the power of the Holy Spirit, was incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and became one in Being with us. For our sake, Jesus was crucified under Pontius Pilate, suffered death, and was buried. On the third day Jesus rose again in accordance with the Scriptures, ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Creator. Christ will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, whose realm will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Giver and Sustainer of life, who proceeds from the Creator.

With the Creator and the Beloved One they are worshiped and glorified.

They have 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.

Please stand in body or spirit.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

It is our custom to light candles for those who are sick or distressed and to remember those who have died. The prayer stations are on either side of the Altar. The refrain is sung once. *



Celebrant: Celebrating the wonderful gift of life that is Easter and confident that God is always listening as we pray, with grateful hearts we bring these concerns.

We pray for all seeking a deeper faith and for all faith institutions of the world, especially for the Anglican Communion and Archbishop Welby, the Episcopal Church and Presiding Bishop Curry, and the Episcopal Church in Colorado and Bishop Lucas as they lead us in becoming Easter people in 2024. With grateful hearts,

We offer this prayer.

We pray for the leaders of the world, that their decisions and actions may bring about liberty and justice for all. With grateful hearts,

We offer this prayer.

We pray for St. Barnabas Parish during this interim time—that liminal space where we are invited to do the work of letting go of what binds us, so that we may dream about our future. With grateful hearts,

We offer this prayer.

We pray for those in positions of power to work with us to chart a new course, to repair damage done to our planet, and to be good stewards of our abundant resources. With grateful hearts,

We offer this prayer.

We pray for all those seeking elective office in 2024, that they may honor our vision of government of the people, by the people, and for the people. With grateful hearts,

We offer this prayer.

We pray for all those who are suffering physically, emotionally, or spiritually, holding up to you those for whom we have been asked to pray: Burley, Irene, Adrianna, Bob, Kathy, Brian, Shanelle, June, Kathy, Luna, the Freed family, the people of Ukraine, the people of Sudan, the children in Gaza, those who suffer from conflict and natural and human disaster, and those we name aloud or in silence. (pause) With grateful hearts,

We offer this prayer.

We hold up to you all those we see no more, entrusting them to your loving care, especially Madie Gustafson, and those we name in silence or aloud, (pause) With grateful hearts,

We offer this prayer.

Celebrant: For your hearing these prayers that we have faithfully offered, we give you thanks. **Amen**.

The refrain is sung once more. *



THE PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

All share a greeting of peace.

The Liturgy of the Meal

THE OFFERTORY The Offertory Sentence

Please sit.

The Presentation of the Bread and Wine

The Choir Anthem

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

Jay Althouse

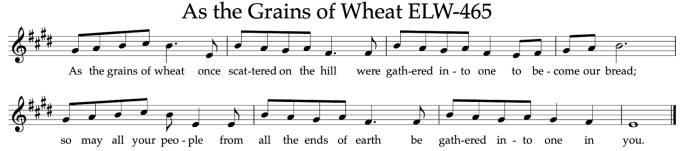
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The Presentation of the Gifts

The Offertory Response (7:45)

All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.

The Offertory Hymn* (9:30)



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Preface and Proper Preface

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 our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

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 Beloved One, Jesus Christ our Savior; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By Christ's death he has destroyed death, and by Christ's 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus (7:45)

Holy, Holy, God of power and might,

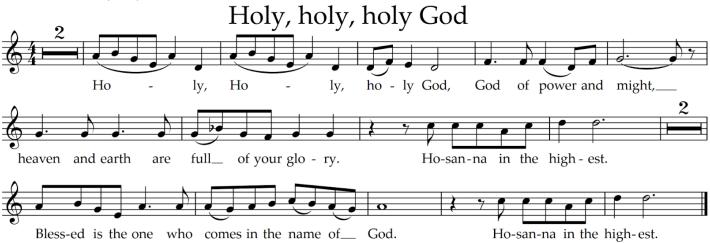
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

The Sanctus* (9:30)



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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus 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 Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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 God,

Celebrant and People

We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Maker 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 the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Barnabas, blessed Madie, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 God, now and forever. **Amen**.

The Lord's Prayer (7:45)

It is our custom at St. Barnabas to hold hands during The Lord's Prayer.

As Jesus has taught us, we pray those words that bind us together:

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

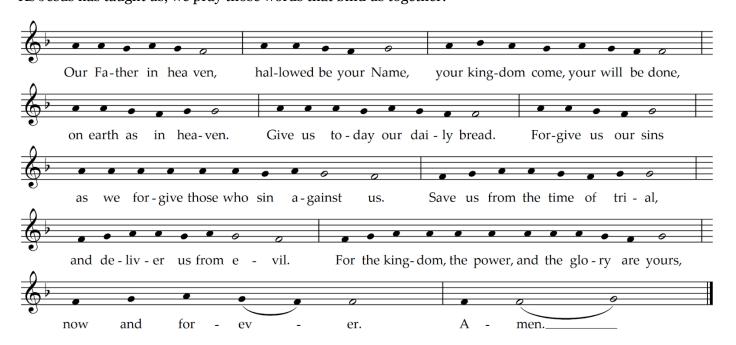
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer* (9:30)

It is our custom to hold hands during The Lord's Prayer. As Jesus has taught us, we pray those words that bind us together:



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE FRACTION ANTHEM (7:45)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Christ our passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND FRACTION ANTHEM* (9:30)

Christ our Passover S-154



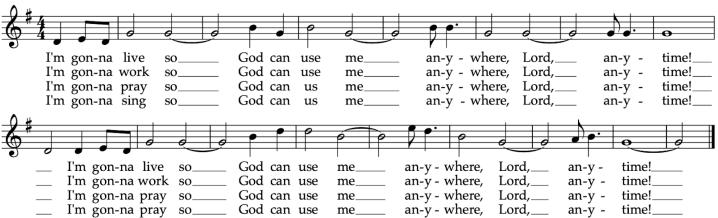
THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's Table.

Please sit. Jesus welcomed everyone to his table, and so we at St. Barnabas welcome everyone to this table. Gather around the Altar as you are directed. You may stand or kneel as is your custom. The Celebrant will place the gluten-free bread into your hand. You have two options to receive the wine. A Chalice Bearer will offer the Common Cup from which you may drink, or you may dip the bread in the wine when a second chalice comes in turn. You may also choose not to partake of the Cup. When you have received the Sacrament, please return to your seat. If you or your children prefer only to receive a blessing, please indicate this by crossing your hands over your chest.

THE HYMN DURING COMMUNION*





Please stand in body or spirit.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray...Shepherding God,

You have prepared a Table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

The Liturgy of Sending

THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, furnish you with all that is good, so that you may do all that is pleasing to God; and the blessing of +most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity, one God, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

THE SENDING HYMN* (9:30)



THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Trompette John Stanley

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Those In Need of Prayer

Sarah Freed and family, the Holbrook family, the Hayes family, Carol Wier, Dennis Kennedy, Bill Miles, Marty and Diana Flahive, Larry Volmert, Madie Gustafson, Larry Konkel, the Wier family, John and Patrice Hayes, Tracy Spiva, Andrea, Nicolle, Selah Kay, Jessica Sweet, Verlin Jakober, Claire Hayes, Marlis Sneed and family, the Long family, Atlee Witt, Carolyn Wolfrum, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Holly Graves, Jim Hostler, Bill Lundgren, Christine Schmidt; Frank Dupuis, Meghann and Kai, Art Bowman, RJ Campbell, Burley and Irene Shepard, Adrianna, Bob Manning, Kathy Alden, Brian Reid, Shanelle Duran, June Kent, Kathy Labarge, the people of Ukraine, the people of Sudan, the children in Gaza, those who suffer from conflict and natural and human disaster.

New to the prayer list

Luna, Bill and Kathy Miles great-granddaughter.

Those who have died

Madie Gustafson, family member of John Graves. *Rest* eternal grant her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her.

This Week's Parish Schedule

Sunday, April 28: The Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 7:45 am: *The Holy Eucharist* (spoken) in the Chapel.
- 9:30 am: *The Holy Eucharist* (sung) in the Sanctuary.
- 11:00 am: The Barnabas Forum

Ms. Patti Walter (she/her)
Ms. Misty Dupuis (she/her)
Ms. Ronda Hilton (she/her)
Ms. Julia Wade (she/her)
Ms. Lexi Jones (she/her)

Wednesday, May I

- 10:00 am: Communion from the Reserved Sacrament and Bible Study in the Chapel.
- 7:00 pm: Stewardship committee via zoom.

Thursday, May 2

• 7:00 pm: Choir rehearsal in the Sanctuary.

Sunday, May 5: The Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 7:45 am: *Liturgy of the Reserved Sacrament* (spoken) in the Chapel.
- 9:20 am: Children's Spiritual Formation in the Godly Play room.
- 9:30 am: *Liturgy of the Reserved Sacrament* (sung) in the Sanctuary.
- 11:00 am: Youth Group
- 11:00 am: Barnabas Forum in Grant Hall.

Anniversaries

Becky and Brent Sanders May 1

Birthdays

Bob Manning April 28
Dana Brimmer April 29
John Bednarek May 1
Kerby Meyers May 2

Announcements

TODAY WE WELCOME THE REV. GARRY HORLE AS OUR CELEBRANT

office tomorrow, April 29.

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Birthdays Anniversaries And Travelers
Will be celebrated next
Sunday, May 4.

BARNABAS FORUM

11:00 am in GRANT HALL

TODAY: Sr. Warden Jolene Whitney and the Vestry will discuss what we can expect regarding life at St. Barnabas during the interim process, until a new Rector has been called. ALSO, the Building Use Group (BUG) will discuss pending plans to rent portions of the building to a preschool.

May 5: We are fortunate to have Dr. Lee Butler, the new President of the Iliff School of Theology, as the speaker, as part of our Wills Long lectureship series.

CREATION CARE RESOURCE LIST

The Social Justice and Outreach Committees have put together a relatively comprehensive list of ways that we, as individuals, and as a parish, can responsibly use, access, and recycle our items and resources. A link to the list can be found in the Weekly eNews. If you have additional suggestions, please share them with Julia and she will update it.

GIVING-2-OTHERS MARCH UPDATE

Generous members of St. Barnabas donated over **\$1,000** in the March Giving2Others request. Combined with **\$500** added by the Outreach Committee, we are sending **\$1,530** to support Casa de Paz in their work to re-unite and aid immigrant families. THANK YOU!

GIVING-2-OTHERS FOR MAY The Gathering Place

Founded in 1986, The Gathering Place (TGP) is the only daytime drop-in center in the Denver metro area that serves women, transgender and non-binary individuals and their children. Located at 1535 High Street in Capitol Hill, those who come to TGP receive services that meet basic needs, foster personal growth, build community, and develop social enterprise.

It's easy to donate. online via the Weekly eNews. Or earmark a check to St. Barnabas for "Giving-2-Others" and place it in the offering plate or in the office. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

THE 2024 AUCTION
"GIFTS THAT KEEP ON GIVING"
JUNE 8, 4:00 PM TO 7:00 PM

A celebration of our community, talents, and gifts.

The Auction committee is in full swing. It's shaping up to be a wonderful time to connect, break bread, and of course, FUNdraise. In addition to hosting events such as dinners, hikes, game and movie nights, there is another way you can participate. St. Barnabas is full of members who have amazing gifts and talents-clothing designers, painters, knitters, bakers, linguists, poets, photographers, singers, composers—and more. Are you someone who can create something or offer a talent for the auction? If so, we want YOU! The committee is also looking for volunteers. **EVERYONE** is welcome-neighbors, friends, family, kids.

If you are interested in volunteering or presenting, contact Barb Mattison or Sis Flor, Auction Co-Chairs.

WORLD LABYRINTH DAY: Saturday, May 4 at 1:00 pm. A rolling worldwide prayer for peace. A flyer is available on the large resource table.

ST FRANCIS CENTER PATH (Positive Action Towards Housing) **LUNCHEON**: Tuesday, May 7 at 11:30 am, at Temple Emanuel, 51 Grape St. in Denver. Lunch is provided free. The registration link is in the Weekly eNews.

MUSIC GALORE

Several choir and church members are involved with other groups. Here are three upcoming events.

Misty Dupuis is the director of the Arapahoe Community College and Community Choir. Their concert will be held on Tuesday, May 7 at 7:00 pm in the Waring Theater on the Littleton campus (5900 S. Santa Fe Drive, Littleton, 80120). The concert is free to attend.

Michael Jordan sings with Spirituals Project Choir. Their next concert is Saturday, May 18 at 7:30 pm in the Gates Concert Hall, Newman Center for the Performing Arts. 2343 E Iliff Avenue. Free general admission. \$5 reserved parterre seating.

Tom Potter and **Ellen Janasko** are members of the Colorado Symphony Chorus. The 40th anniversary concert will be held on Sat. May 18 at 7:30 pm and Sun. May 19 at 1:00 pm. For discounted tickets of 40% off please visit the Weekly eNews.

Flyers are available on the big resource table