



## SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

JULY 20, 2025

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM



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Our services follow *The Book of Common Prayer*, the red book in your pew rack. If you'd like to use the book to follow the service, we begin on page 355. Unless otherwise marked, our hymns are from the *Hymnal 1982*, the blue books in the pew rack. A hymn noted "S-xxx" is part of the service music, found at the front of the hymnal, appearing before the regular congregational hymns begin. For example, S-278 is found before hymn 1.

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[facebook.com/episcopalloudon](https://facebook.com/episcopalloudon).



# Holy Eucharist, Rite II

## The Word of God

**Prelude** *(only at 10:30)*  
*Celtic Hymn*

*Herman Beeftink*

**Entrance Hymn** *(only at 10:30)*  
*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

**Hymnal 423**

*All standing*

**BCP 355**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

*All* **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 Gloria** *(Spoken at 8:00, sung at 10:30)*

**Hymnal S-280**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

### The First Lesson: Amos 8:1-12

*Lector* A reading from the Book of Amos

This is what the Lord God showed me-- a basket of summer fruit. He said, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A basket of summer fruit." Then the Lord said to me,

"The end has come upon my people Israel;  
I will never again pass them by.  
The songs of the temple shall become wailings in that day,"  
says the Lord God;

"the dead bodies shall be many,  
cast out in every place. Be silent!"  
Hear this, you that trample on the needy,  
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,  
saying, "When will the new moon be over  
so that we may sell grain;  
and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,  
and practice deceit with false balances,  
buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals,  
and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.  
Shall not the land tremble on this account,  
and everyone mourn who lives in it,  
and all of it rise like the Nile,  
and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt?

On that day, says the Lord God,  
"I will make the sun go down at noon,



and darken the earth in broad daylight.  
I will turn your feasts into mourning,  
and all your songs into lamentation;  
I will bring sackcloth on all loins,  
and baldness on every head;  
I will make it like the mourning for an only son,  
and the end of it like a bitter day.

“The time is surely coming,” says the Lord God,  
“when I will send a famine on the land;  
not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water,  
but of hearing the words of the Lord.  
They shall wander from sea to sea,  
and from north to east;  
they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord,  
but they shall not find it.”

*Lector*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 52

BCP 657

*Lector*        We will read the Psalm responsively by half verse.

- 1 You tyrant, why do you boast of wickedness \*  
**against the godly all day long?**
- 2 You plot ruin; your tongue is like a sharpened razor, \*  
**O worker of deception.**
- 3 You love evil more than good \*  
**and lying more than speaking the truth.**
- 4 You love all words that hurt, \*  
**O you deceitful tongue.**
- 5 Oh, that God would demolish you utterly, \*  
**topple you, and snatch you from your dwelling,  
and root you out of the land of the living!**
- 6 The righteous shall see and tremble, \*  
**and they shall laugh at him, saying,**
- 7 “This is the one who did not take God for a refuge, \*  
**but trusted in great wealth and relied upon wickedness.”**

8 But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; \*

**I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.**

9 I will give you thanks for what you have done \*

**and declare the goodness of your Name in the presence of the godly.**

## **The Second Lesson: Colossians 1:15-18**

*Lector* A reading from Paul's letter to the Colossians.

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

## **Sequence Hymn** (*only at 10:30*)

*Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word (verses 1-2)*

**Hymnal 440**

*All stand*

## **The Gospel Lesson: Luke 10:38-42**

*Celebrant*    The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

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

## **Sequence Hymn (*only at 10:30*)**

*Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word (verse 3)*

**Hymnal 440**

## **Sermon**

The Rev. Dr. Rebecca Bridges

## **The Nicene Creed**

**BCP 358**

**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.

## The Prayers of the People, Form II

BCP 385

*Please assume a posture of prayer, whether standing, sitting, or kneeling as able.  
Please add those intercessions and thanksgivings on your heart, silently or  
aloud, at the appropriate points in the prayers.*

*Lector:*

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Sean; our Diocesan Bishop, Brian; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations;  
and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison, especially **David H.; Jackie C.; Becca H.; Robyn; Rosemary O.; Kathleen; Jim; Daphne; Jenon; Aaron; Sarah; Killian; and all your children who suffer the effects of war, oppression, or natural disasters.**

Pray for those in any need or trouble. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have died. *Silence*

*Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present.  
Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*



*Celebrant*

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Confession of Sin**

**BCP 359**

*Please note: Continuing in a posture of prayer we will hold a moment of silence for individual, silent confessions before the priest leads us into the words of confession.*

*Celebrant*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant and People*

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 your Son 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.**

*Celebrant*

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

## **The Peace**

**BCP 360**

*Standing as you are able.*

*Celebrant* May the peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us show one another a sign of God's peace.

## **The Holy Communion**

*Celebrant* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us,  
a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2a*

**Offertory Anthem** *(sung by the choir)*  
*Hosanna to the Living Lord*

**Hymnal 486**

*The Celebrant invites the people's offerings.*

**Doxology** *(only at 10:30)*

**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.**

*1 Chronicles 29:14*

*Celebrant* For all things come from you, O Lord;  
*People* **and of your own have we given you.**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**Eucharistic Prayer**

*From Enriching Our Worship, The Standing Liturgical Commission of  
the Episcopal Church: New York: Church Publishing, 1997*

**Sursum Corda (Lift up your Hearts)**

**Hymnal S-120**

*(Spoken at 8:00, sung at 10:30)*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

**Sanctus** *(Spoken at 8:00, sung at 10:30)*

**Hymnal S-125**

**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.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior 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."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all 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.**

*Celebrant* Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.** (*Spoken at 8:00, sung at 10:30*)

And now, 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**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and a period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia, Christ, our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### **Fraction Hymn** *(Spoken at 8:00, sung at 10:30)*

**Hymnal S-161**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
Grant us peace.**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*We encourage you to come forward to receive Holy Communion as you feel comfortable. Remain seated, until the usher directs you forward to the communion rail. After receiving communion, return to your seat by the side aisle. so that traffic flows one way.*

*If you would prefer communion be brought to you at your seat, please let an usher know and, as always, we will be happy to do so. If you prefer not to receive communion, please cross your arms over your chest as a sign that you prefer a blessing.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

### **Communion Hymn**

*Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless*

**Hymnal 343**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All*        **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.**

### **Announcements | Blessings of Birthdays and Anniversaries**

### **The Blessing**

### **Post communion Hymn** *(only at 10:30)*

*Be Thou My Vision, O Lord of My Heart*

**Hymnal 488**

### **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant*    Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

*People*        **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

### **Postlude** *(only at 10:30)*

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

*VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN*



# Parish Announcements, Prayers, & Thanksgivings

**Flowers today are given to the Glory of God  
and in loving memory of Jen's parents,  
Ruth & Richter Wiggall,  
by Jen and Mark Hennes**

## **Memorial Garden Fee Increase**

The Vestry has approved a recommended price increase for both interment of ashes and/or the placement of a bronze memorial plaque in the Garden. Prices are currently \$700 and \$300, respectively, and will rise to \$1,000 and \$500 on September 1. To lock in the current pricing, you may apply and pay for your plot or plaque by August 31. Applications are available in the church office. Please speak with Jane Mocilac or Jean Cardwell if you have questions.

## **4 Paws**

Next week is the fourth Sunday of the month so it will be Four Paws Pantry collection Sunday. Cat and dog food—or donations to purchase the same—are most appreciated. Please see Jackie Curtiss if questions.

## **Saints & Sinners**

Please sign up in the Parish Hall by next Sunday, our parish-wide “supper club”, with small groups whose members take turns hosting a meal. Dinners will be hosted from August to November. Questions? Contact Jenny Lucas at 662-588-4857.

## **Cades Cove Sunrise Hike August 12-13**

Our annual sunrise hike in Cades Cove is fast-approaching. We'll overnight in Townsend on Tuesday, August 12, get up before dawn on Wednesday, August 13 and enjoy a Vehicle Free Morning (cars not allowed) in Cades Cove. You'll see plenty of wildlife and a sunrise that stretches across a never ending sky. You can choose a 4 mile, 7 mile or 11 mile loop. Contact Andy Hadjian 865-235-8457. Sign up in Parish Hall.

**Regular church office hours are weekdays  
10am-2 pm, EXCEPT for Thursdays.**

## **Our Parish Prayer List**

David H.; Jackie C.; Becca H.; Robyn;  
Rosemary O.; Kathleen; Jim; Daphne;  
Jenon; Aaron; Sarah; Killian

## ***Continuing Prayers for:***

the Hentchel family; Pat; Claire; Sandy;  
Rob & Sherry; Cheri; Jane; Shannon; Jim; Mel;  
Wayne; Diana N.; Jack; Ashley; Raynella; Ed & Jean;  
Kim E.; Joe; Beverly; Grace; Virginia; Betty Anne;  
Janey; Johnny; and Karen H.

## ***For our Vestry leaders:***

Class of 2025: Lisa A., Donna B., Diane V.K.  
Class of 2026: Drew H., Dawson H., Jenny L.  
Class of 2027: Bev B., Karen B., Mark H.  
Officers: Jenny L., Diane V.K., Dawson H., Sally L.

## ***Also for the Diocesan Prayer List:***

For the Brotherhood of St. Andrew  
For Those Who Influence Public Opinion, BCP 827

## **July Birthdays & Anniversaries**

July 3	Lisa Amelse & Keith Brinkley
July 3	Judy & Andy Hadjian
July 4	Pam & John McCoy
July 5	Bill Schwindt
July 5	Mark Smith
July 6	Keytha Graves & Drew Hawley
July 16	Ginny Tolbert
July 17	Judy Hadjian
July 17	Judy Kubesh
July 20	Mark Hennes
July 20	Pam McCoy
July 23	Beverly Cantine
July 25	Monty Ross
July 26	Janey Coombes
July 29	Nelda Griffith & Steve Abercrombie
July 31	Thomas Fiebke, Jr.

# For Your Calendars

## THIS WEEK

July 20	8:00 am	10:30 am	
Acolyte	Judy Hadjian	Drew Hawley	Altar Guild: Kathleen Bailey
EM	Jack Lefler	Jane Mocilac	Flower Guild: Dianna Stimpson
Lectors	Diane Van Koughnett	Keytha Graves	Organist: Judy Moyer
Ushers	Jerry Ploeger	Andy Hadjian & Garry Lucas	Celebrant &
Chancellor	Peggy Rogers	Jenny Lucas	Preacher: Rebecca Bridges
Coffee Hour	Cal Van Koughnett	Betsy Schwindt	Monday Volunteer (7/21)
Video	n/a	Monty Ross	Mark Hennes
Counters	n/a	Carolyn Parker & Jean Cardwell	

## NEXT WEEK

July 27	8:00 am	10:30 am	
Acolyte	Donna Bye	Dawson Hope	Altar Guild: Kathleen Bailey
EM	Mark Hennes	Bonnie Smith	Flower Guild: Bev Baumgardner
Lectors	Jerry Ploeger	Bill Perry	Organist: Judy Moyer
Ushers	Jen Hennes	Dave St. John & Keytha Graves	Celebrant &
Chancellor	Carl Bye	Betsy Schwindt	Preacher: Rebecca Bridges
Coffee Hour	Rosemary Kitts	Jackie Buttinelli	Monday Volunteer (7/28)
Video	n/a	Bill Schwindt	Donna Bye
Counters	n/a	Nelda Griffith & Bill Schwindt	

### Next Week at Resurrection

Monday, July 21  
7:00 p.m. - AA (open meeting)

Wednesday, July 23  
9:00 a.m. - Deadline for Parish Tidings  
or bulletin submissions

Sunday, July 27  
8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, spoken, Rite II  
10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, choral, Rite II  
Four Paws Collection Sunday  
Saints & Sinners sign up deadline

Email [office@episcopalloudon.com](mailto:office@episcopalloudon.com) by Wednesday  
at 9 a.m. to have your ministry or committee's  
activities added to the parish calendar.

### COMING UP ...

Sunday, August 3  
Holy Eucharist, spoken, Rite II  
Holy Eucharist, choral, Rite II

**Check your Parish Tidings  
for upcoming details!**

Contact our priest, the Rev. Dr. Rebecca Bridges,  
at this email: [rector@episcopalloudon.com](mailto:rector@episcopalloudon.com) or  
call her at the church (865-986-2390).

# TODAY'S ART



Jesus with Martha and Mary, 1882  
Paul-Alexandre-Alfred Leroy (1860 - 1942)  
French painter  
Oil on canvas  
On Display at the Musée de Beaux-Arts,  
Rouen, France

Public domain

Paul Leroy's painting of Jesus with Martha and Mary marked the painter's uncontested entrance into public life in 1882.

At the age of twenty-two, Paul Leroy produced his first large format work, to great acclaim. His teacher, Alexandre Cabanel, hugely admired the picture, exhibited at the Salon of 1882. Here Leroy received his second gold medal and a travel grant of 4,000 francs. At the time, the Musée de Rouen was truly inspired in buying the work of a painter later famous for his Orientalist subjects, and who would help to found the Société des Orientalistes Français in 1893.

As the Rouen picture already suggests, Paul Leroy depicted a very real Orient in genre paintings and scenes of religious life re-interpreted in the setting and atmosphere of the period.

His first journey was to Italy. In 1882 he set out on a veritable Grand Tour from Genoa to Rome via Milan and Venice, which made a particularly deep impression on him. But Jesus with Martha and Mary already evinces a highly Venetian exploration of the lively, warm colouring that sets Paul Leroy apart from his teacher, Alexandre Cabanel.

In Leroy's painting, we find a genuine ambiance, a particular atmosphere and a simple truth in the gestures and attitudes: he painted what was familiar. And even here in this religious scene, as in *The Return from Mecca* of 1906 or *The Pilgrims of Emmaus* of 1926, the subject is taken from life in its ordinary, everyday simplicity, and depicted with striking sincerity and straightforwardness.

The painter visited the Middle East frequently. He spent two years in Egypt between 1885 and 1887, and later went on regular trips to Constantinople, Persia and Algeria.

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