

The Fifth Sunday of Easter



Holy Eucharist
May 2, 2021, 8:45 a.m.

The service of Holy Eucharist is taken from *The Book of Common Prayer* (2019) of the Anglican Church in North America and *Times and Seasons* of the Church of England. The congregation stands as able at the introduction to a hymn, except during Communion. Physical acts of worship are optional: crossing †, bowing ↓, kneeling, standing.

We enter this consecrated place with reverence, quietly preparing ourselves to meet Almighty God.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE With high delight, let us unite

1976, Charles Ore (b. 1936)

During the hymn, children depart for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: ages 3–8 process behind the cross right to the Atrium in the Parish Hall. All will return for Communion. If your children are attending for the first time, please accompany them and introduce yourself to the adult volunteers.

HYMN Good Christians all, rejoice and sing (*standing*)

Gelobt sei Gott



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| 1 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! | 3 Praise we in songs of victory
that love, that life which cannot die,
and sing with hearts uplifted high:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! |
| 2 The Lord of life is ris'n today!
Sing songs of praise along his way;
let all the earth rejoice and say:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! | 4 Your Name we bless, O risen Lord,
and sing today with one accord
the life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! |
| 5 To God the Father, God the Son,
to God the Spirit, always One,
we sing for life in us begun:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! | |

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Music: Melchior Vulpius (c. 1560–1616)

THE ACCLAMATION

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 146

Celebrant: † Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP, p. 124

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY The Fifth Sunday of Easter

BCP, p. 612

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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 glory; 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.**

THE EPISTLE (*sitting*)

1 John 3:11–24 (ESV)

This is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. We should not be like Cain, who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous. Do not be surprised, brothers, that the world hates you. We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. Whoever does not love abides in death. Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows every-thing. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

After the reading: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN (*standing*)

Is He Worthy?

This is a "Call & Response" song, with the congregation singing the boldfaced words in answer to the questions.

Do you feel the world is broken?

We do.

Do you feel the shadows deepen?

We do.

But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through?

We do.

Do you wish that you could see it all made new?

We do.

Is all creation groaning?

It is.

Is a new creation coming?

It is.

Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst?

It is.

Is it good that we remind ourselves of this?

It is.

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave:

he is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.

Is he worthy?

Is he worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?

Is he worthy of this?

He is.

Does the Father truly love us?

He does.

Does the Spirit move among us?

He does.

And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those he loves?

He does.

Does our God intend to dwell again with us?

He does.

From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue,

he has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son.

Words & Music: 2018, Andrew Peterson (b. 1974) and Ben Shive (b. 1979)

Based on Revelation 5:2-6

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THE GOSPEL

John 14:15–21 (ESV)

(The sign of the cross may be made with the thumb on forehead, lips, and chest, to remind us to honor Christ with our thoughts, words, and heart.)

Before the reading: †† The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: ↓ **Glory to you, Lord Christ.** ↑

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

After the reading: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: ↓ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** ↑

THE SERMON

Canon Susie Skillen

THE NICENE CREED *(standing)*

BCP, p. 126

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, ↓ Jesus Christ, ↑
the only-begotten 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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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,
who with the Father and the Son ↓ is worshiped and glorified, ↑
who 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 *(kneeling or sitting)*

Times and Seasons

Deacon: Jesus Christ, our exalted Lord, has been given all authority. Let us seek his in-tercession, that our prayers may be perfected by his prayer.

Intercessor: Jesus Christ, great High Priest, living for ever to intercede for us: pray for the Church, your broken body in the world.
Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Jesus Christ, King of righteousness, enthroned at the right hand of the majesty on high: pray for the world, and make it subject to your gentle rule.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Jesus Christ, Son of Man, drawing humanity into the life of God: pray for your sisters and brothers in need, distress, or sorrow.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Jesus Christ, pioneer of our salvation, bringing us to glory through your death and res-urrection: surround with your saints and angels those who have died trusting your promises.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Jesus Christ, Lord over all things, ascended far above the heavens and filling the uni-verse: pray for us who receive the gifts you give us for work in your service.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Celebrant: Jesus Christ, keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at your feet; for you are alive and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

BCP, p. 129

Deacon: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

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, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, † have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE *(standing)*

BCP, p. 131

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

BCP, p. 131

*(To God we offer bread, wine, and money — the fruit of our labor, the means by which we live.
The opportunity to worship through giving is available online at <https://ctrnorthshore.org/give/>.)*

HYMN With high delight let us unite *(standing)*

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1 With high delight
let us unite
in songs of sweet jubilation.
You pure in heart,
each take your part,
sing Jesus Christ, our salvation.
To set us free
forever, he
is ris'n and sends
to all earth's ends
good news to save every nation.

2 True God, he first
from death has burst
forth into life, all subduing.
His enemy
shall vanquished be:
Christ's death has been death's undoing.
"And yours shall be
like victory
o'er death and grave,"
said he who gave
his life for us, life renewing.

3 Let praises ring;
give thanks, and bring
to Christ our Lord adoration.
His honor speed

by word and deed
to every land, every nation.
So shall his love
give us above —
from misery
and death set free —
all joy and full consolation.

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Music: 1566, Bohemian Brethren hymnal

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

BCP, p. 131

Celebrant: Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the vic-tory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as Head above all.

All things come from you, O LORD,

People: **And of your own have we given you.**

(1 Chronicles 29:11, 14)

THE SURSUM CORDA

BCP, p. 132

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,

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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 offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again 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:

THE SANCTUS

BCP, p. 132

↓ Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, — Lord God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. † — Ho - san -
na, — ho - san - na in — the high - est. — *Fine*
† Bless - ed is he — who comes in the Name of the Lord, —
bless - ed is he — who comes in the Name of the Lord. — *D.S. al Fine*

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THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION (kneeling or sitting)

BCP, p. 132

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that

by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." †

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me." †

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. † Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sac-rament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 134

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

**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.**

(Matthew 6:9-13)

THE FRACTION

BCP, p. 135

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

BCP, p. 136

(Facing the People, the Celebrant may say the following invitation:)

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.]

(or this:)

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

(John 1:29, Revelation 19:9)

(A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

BCP, p. 677)

(To be prayed by those watching the livestream)

(Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.)

All baptized Christians, including children, are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

After the musicians have received, people — starting with the two middle sections — may come forward via the side aisles, appropriately distanced, to receive the Sacrament from the priests. They should return to their seats to eat and drink.

Used communion cups should be deposited in bins at the back of the church after the service.

Anyone not receiving the Sacrament is welcome to come forward and receive a blessing from a priest; please indicate this intention by crossing your arms over your chest.

Those not able to come forward may notify an usher of their need to be served in the pew.

Gluten-free wafers are available on request.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Hymn Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life

The Call



- 1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: 2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
such a way as gives us breath; such a light as shows a feast;
such a truth as ends all strife; such a feast as mends in length;
such a life as killeth death. such a strength as makes his guest.
- 3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
such a joy as none can move;
such a love as none can part;
such a heart as joys in love.

Words: George Herbert (1593–1633)

Music: 1911, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

Hymn Oh, how good is Christ the Lord

Oh, Qué Bueno Es Jesús

Musical notation for four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the first two lines of the hymn. The second staff contains the next two lines. The third staff contains the next two lines. The fourth staff contains the final line.

Oh, how good is Christ the Lord! On the cross he died for me.
He has par - doned all my sin. Glo-ry be___ to Je - sus!
Glo-ry be___ to Je - sus! Glo-ry be___ to Je - sus!
In three days he rose a - gain. Glo-ry be___ to Je - sus!

Words & Music: Puerto Rican folk hymn

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER *(kneeling or sitting)*

BCP, p. 137

Heavenly Father,
We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

BCP, p. 137

Response: **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 138

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Response: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

HYMN Oh, how good is Christ the Lord (*standing*)

Oh, Qué Bueno Es Jesús
(*See music on previous page.*)

POSTLUDE Good Christians all, rejoice and sing

1950, Healey Willan (1880–1968)

The closing acts of worship are the extinguishing of candles and the brief Postlude, for which the people may kneel or sit (or leave quietly). Thank you for not applauding.

Used communion cups should be deposited in bins at the back of the church.

*Please practice social distancing as you leave, not blocking the aisles for others.
Thank you for helping to keep the church clean and safe.*

The Rev. Canon Susan Skillen, Interim Rector
The Rev. Dr. Ray Pendleton, Assisting Priest
The Rev. Dr. Malcolm Reid, Assisting Priest
Cyndi Kreyling, Soprano
Peter Cherry, Baritone, Percussion
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