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The Fifth Sunday of Easter

at Christ Church Anglican

WELCOME

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

OPENING SONG *Come, Now is the Time to Worship*

(Refrain)

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God. Come.

One day every tongue will confess you are God,

One day every knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose You now. (Refrain)

Willingly we choose to surrender our lives.

Willingly our knees will bow.

With all our heart, soul, mind and strength we gladly choose You now. (Refrain)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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 life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSON *Acts 17:1-15*

Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was a synagogue of the Jews. And Paul went in, as was his custom, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures, explaining and proving that it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead, and saying, "This Jesus, whom I proclaim to you, is the Christ." And some of them were persuaded and joined Paul and Silas, as did a great many of the devout Greeks and not a few of the leading women. But the Jews were jealous, and taking some wicked men of the rabble, they formed a mob, set the city in an uproar, and attacked the house of Jason, seeking to bring them out to the crowd. And when they could not find them, they dragged Jason and some of the brothers before the city authorities, shouting, "These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also, and Jason has received them, and they are all acting against the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, Jesus." And the people and the city authorities were disturbed when they heard these things. And when they had taken money as security from Jason and the rest, they let them go. The brothers immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived they went into the Jewish synagogue. Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures

daily to see if these things were so. Many of them therefore believed, with not a few Greek women of high standing as well as men. But when the Jews from Thessalonica learned that the word of God was proclaimed by Paul at Berea also, they came there too, agitating and stirring up the crowds. Then the brothers immediately sent Paul off on his way to the sea, but Silas and Timothy remained there. Those who conducted Paul brought him as far as Athens, and after receiving a command for Silas and Timothy to come to him as soon as possible, they departed.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL *John 14:1-14*

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves. “Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rev. Joyce Harder, *Deacon*

THE 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.
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 III

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; **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; **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 that have entered into joy; **May we also come to share in your heavenly
kingdom.**

Dear Lord, we give thanks for our blessed long-term partnership with our brothers and sisters in Christ in the village of Gros Mangles on the island of La Gonave in Haiti. We are humbled by your inspiration and the ability to help fund teachers' salaries at an elementary school, support the repair of a school yard and playground, and assist in the construction of a cistern and water collection system for the village. We pray for peace, unity, and hopefulness as they struggle with poverty, unrest, and the effects of the global pandemic. Lord, we ask that You continue to stir up within us the passion to help others, all to Your glory.

O Almighty God, who in your creation has provided for the birth and nurture of children, and who has especially and wonderfully sanctified the life of motherhood through Mary who bore and nurtured your Son Jesus our Lord: we give thanks to you for the mothers you have given us; and we pray that you will look with favor upon them, sanctifying their lives with great blessing, to your honor and glory. Amen.

O mighty and most merciful God, in this time of the coronavirus pandemic and all other perils of our world, we flee to you for strength and protection. Deliver us, we beseech you, from our peril; give skill and success to all those who minister to the sick, by prospering the means made use of for their care and cure; and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts to that heavenly wisdom which leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. - 1928 *Book of Common Prayer, adapted*

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

Silence.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THE PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN *Before the Throne of God Above*

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea:

A great High Priest whose name is love, who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on His hands; my name is written on His heart.

I know that while in heaven He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,

No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of my guilt within,

Upward I look and see Him there who made an end of all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free.

For God, the just, is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me,

To look on Him and pardon me. (Refrain)

(Refrain)

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the one, risen Son of God.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the one, risen Son of God.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless, Righteousness.

The great unchangeable I Am, the King of Glory and of grace.

One with Himself, I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood.

My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,

With Christ my Savior and my God. (Refrain)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere 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:

SANCTUS

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 PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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 for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to receive the consecrated bread at this point in the service.

For those who are not able to receive the bread today, let us all join together in saying the Collect for Spiritual Communion.

Collect for Spiritual Communion (in unison)

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.

HYMN *Surely the Presence*

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

I can feel his mighty power and his grace.

I can hear the brush of angels' wings,

I see glory on each face.

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant 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.

THE BLESSING

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow on you the riches of His resurrected life; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG *The Church's one foundation*

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;

She is his new creation by water and the word:

From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;

With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war

She waits the consummation of peace for evermore;

Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed,

And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,

And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.

O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we

Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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Those with job loss or
reduction in hours and pay

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Pat McCullough
Sarah Miller
Becky Tuten
Grace Young

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serving in the military; and for Bishop
Qampicha and the Diocese of
Marsabit, Kenya, especially our Tree
Church Partners in Game, Elebor,
Maikona, Goro Rukesa, and Badasa;
and for our Haitian partners in the
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