

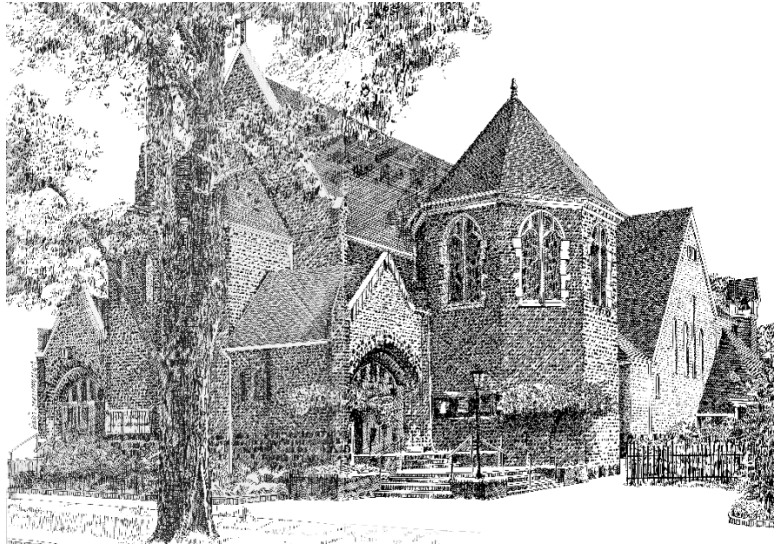


Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 4, 2021

Sung Eucharist at 9:30 am

livestreamed



Celebrant: Fr Shire
Homilist: Fr D'Angelo
Cantor: David Yung
Reader: Ronwen Guest
Organist & Director of Music: Matthew Whitfield

MUSIC OF THE MASS – Unison Communion, Herbert Sumsion

PRELUDE: Christ lag in Todesbanden, BWV 625, *J.S. Bach*

GREETING

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

Celebrant: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: *May he fill our hearts with joy.*

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: Almighty God,

People: *To you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Celebrant: 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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray:

Lord of life and power, through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have overcome the old order of sin and death and have made all things new in him. May we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, reign with him in glory, who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Acts 10.34-43

And Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I perceive that God shows no partiality, but in every nation any one who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the word which he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace by Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), the word which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses to all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and made him manifest; not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that he is the one ordained by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that every one who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The word of the Lord
R / Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 118.14-17,22-23

R / On this day the Lord has acted, we will rejoice and be glad in it.

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation. There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous. *R/.*

“The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! the right hand of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!” I shall not die, but live, and declare the words of the Lord. *R/.*

The same stone which the builders refused, has become the chief corner-stone. This is the Lord’s doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. *R/.*

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15.1-11

Now I would remind you, brethren, in what terms I preached to you the gospel, which you received, in which you stand, by which you are saved, if you hold it fast—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God which is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

The word of the Lord
R / Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ALLELUIA. Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 20:1-18

V / The Lord be with you.

R / *And also with you.*

V / The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

R / *Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

Now on the first day of the week Mary Mag'dalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran, and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Peter then came out with the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first; and stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; he saw the linen cloths lying, and the napkin, which had been on his head, not lying with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not know the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." Saying this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom do you seek?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rab-bo'ni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Mag'dalene went and said to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of Christ

R / *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ*

SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: *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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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.

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Let us rejoice in the resurrection of the Lord and pray for his mercy as we offer our thanks and praise. For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever.

silence

For the Lord is good,
R / *His steadfast love endures forever.*

Intercessor: For the Church and the Nations; that as God shows no partiality but in every nation anyone who fears him, like Peter, and does what is right is acceptable to him; we all respect and care for our neighbours and ourselves.

silence

For the Lord is good,
R / *His steadfast love endures forever.*

Intercessor: For all Creation and for our rhythms disrupted by COVID-19; that as we humans learn to live in this pandemic with kindness, so too may we learn to heal creation as Christ heals us; recognizing the damage we have done and the necessity of renewed stewardship over this world.

silence

For the Lord is good,
R / *His steadfast love endures forever.*

Intercessor: For the sick and dying _____, and those suffering from COVID-19, that as Jesus was anointed with the Spirit and healed all who were oppressed, so too may the suffering have faith that their healers are supported by God.

silence

For the Lord is good,
R / *His steadfast love endures forever.*

Intercessor: For the others for whom our prayers are asked, _____, that they wrapped in the steadfast care of the Lord, will find space to feel his presence, and strength held out to them.

silence

For the Lord is good,
R / *His steadfast love endures forever.*

Intercessor: For the dead, those who have died recently _____, and those whose year's mind occurs today _____, that as the gates of righteousness open for them, may they give thanks to the Lord for he has become their salvation.

silence

For the Lord is good,
R / *His steadfast love endures forever.*

Celebrant: On this day, Lord God, you opened for us the way to eternal life through the victory of your Christ over death. It is indeed the day you have created for rejoicing and all joy. Grant that as we celebrate, we may be renewed by your Spirit and rise again in the light of life. We make our prayer through our Lord, your Son, who with you and the Spirit are one God, now and ever.
Amen.

INVITATION, CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

A Silence is kept.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

All: 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 neighbours 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 upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

V / The peace of the Lord be always with you.

R / *And also with you.*

OFFERTORY HYMN 154 - 'Christ the Lord is risen to-day'

- 1 'Christ the Lord is risen to-day',
Sons of men and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high;
Sing, ye heavens; thou earth reply.
- 2 Love's redeeming work is done;
Fought the fight, the battle won:
Lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er!
Lo, he sets in blood no more!
- 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;
Christ hath burst the gates of hell;
Death in vain forbids his rise!
Christ hath opened Paradise.
- 4 Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!
Praise to thee by both be given:
Thee we greet triumphant now;
Hail, the Resurrection thou!

SAVANNAH
Melody from MS Choralbuch Herrnhut c 1740
as given in John Wesley's Foundery Collection 1742

Charles Wesley 1707-88

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God our strength and salvation, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that we who have confessed your name, and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ the Lord. *Amen.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

V / The Lord be with you.

R / And also with you.

V / Lift up your hearts.

R / We lift them to the Lord.

V / Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R / It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

*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.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

Celebrant: Therefore, Father, according to his command:

People: ***We remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory.***

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

All: 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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Lord, we died with you on the Cross

All: *Now we are raised to new life.*

Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

All: *Now we share in your resurrection.*

Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

AGNUS DEI

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

*Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world,
give us your peace.*

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

WHICH MAY BE SAID BY THOSE NOT RECEIVING

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.

Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O good Jesu, hear me.

Within thy wounds hide me.

Suffer me not to be separated from thee.

From the malicious enemy defend me.

In the hour of my death call me.

And bid me come to thee,

That with thy saints I may praise thee,

For ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life.

Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through Jesus Christ the risen Lord. *Amen.*

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

GOD the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *Amen*

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

CONCLUDING HYMN 153 - Jesus Christ is risen to-day

- 1 Jesus Christ is risen to-day, *Alleluia!*
Our triumphant holy day, *Alleluia!*
Who did once upon the Cross *Alleluia!*
Suffer to redeem our loss. *Alleluia!*
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing *Alleluia!*
Unto Christ, our heavenly King *Alleluia!*
Who endured the Cross and grave, *Alleluia!*
Sinners to redeem and save. *Alleluia!*
- 3 But the pains which he endured *Alleluia!*
Our salvation have procured; *Alleluia!*
Now above the sky he's King, *Alleluia!*
Where the angels ever sing. *Alleluia!*

EASTER HYMN

Adapted from a melody in Lyra Davidica 1708

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POSTLUDE: Heut triumphieret Gottes Sohn, BWV 630, *J.S. Bach*