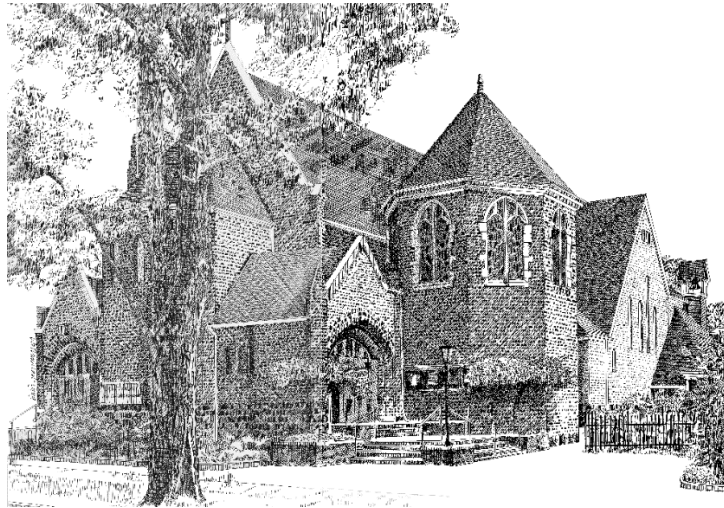




**The Fourth Sunday After Easter Day**  
**Sunday, May 2, 2021**

**Sung Eucharist at 9:30 am**  
*livestreamed*



*The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of almighty God:  
they were given in loving memory of W. James Loffill, by his wife Grace;*

*and*

*in memory of Emily and Charles Sibbald, Emily Elizabeth Sibbald, Muriel and Darcy Rogers,  
Barry Jones, Alan MacNaughton, Nicolas Arcouette, and Richard D. Rogers.*

**Celebrant & Homilist:** Fr D'Angelo  
**Cantor:** Shannon Halliwell-MacDonald  
**Reader:** Sean Forsyth  
**Organist & Director of Music:** Matthew Whitfield

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**MUSIC OF THE MASS – A Unison Communion, *Herbert Sumson***

**PRELUDE:** Erschienen ist der herrliche Tag, BWV 629, *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.

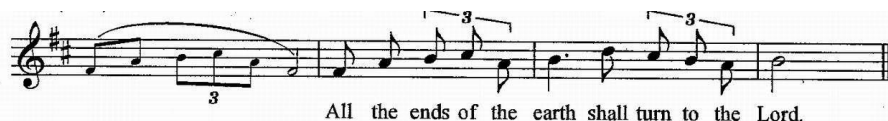
Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### FIRST READING: Acts 8.26-40

But an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert road. And he rose and went. And behold, an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a minister of the Can'dace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of all her treasure, had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go up and join this chariot." So Philip ran to him, and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet, and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" And he said, "How can I, unless some one guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. Now the passage of the scripture which he was reading was this: "As a sheep led to the slaughter or a lamb before its shearer is dumb, so he opens not his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken up from the earth." And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, pray, does the prophet say this, about himself or about some one else?" Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this scripture he told him the good news of Jesus. And as they went along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What is to prevent my being baptized?" And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught up Philip; and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip was found at Azo'tus, and passing on he preached the gospel to all the towns till he came to Caesare'a.

The word of the Lord  
R / *Thanks be to God*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 22.24-30



My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him. The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: "May your heart live for ever!" **R/.**

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall bow before him. For kingship belongs to the Lord; he rules over the nations. **R/.**

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before him. My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; they shall be known as the Lord's for ever. They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that he has done. **R/.**

### SECOND READING: 1 John 4.7-21

Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and he who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God; for God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No man has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his own Spirit. And we have seen and

testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. So we know and believe the love God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. In this is love perfected with us, that we may have confidence for the day of judgement, because as he is so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and he who fears is not perfected in love. We love, because he first loved us. If any one says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him, that he who loves God should love his brother also.

The word of the Lord

R / *Thanks be to God*

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Alleluia. I am the vine, you are the branches, says the Lord. Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit. Alleluia.

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 15.1-8

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.*

Jesus said, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch of mine that bears no fruit, he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. You are already made clean by the word which I have spoken to you. Abide in me, and I in you. 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. He who abides in me, and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. If a man does not abide in me, he is cast forth as a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be my disciples.

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: Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the Church and for the World.

*silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
R / *Hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop and for all who serve and minister to God's people. May the presence of the risen Christ be with us all.

*silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
R / *Hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the Queen and for all in authority in our nation, province, and city; that the nations of the earth may seek after the ways that make for peace and justice.

*silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
R / *Hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick\_\_\_\_\_, and all those suffering from the coronavirus, for elders in isolation, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all for whom our prayers are asked\_\_\_\_\_, that God's unfailing love will never abandon those who call upon his name.

*silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
R / *Hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the souls of the departed awaiting the final resurrection and judgement, especially\_\_\_\_\_ who have died in recent days, and on their year's mind for\_\_\_\_\_, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom.

*silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
R / *Hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. *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.*

### HYMN 367– Crown him with many crowns

- 1 Crown him with many crowns,  
The Lamb upon his throne;  
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns  
All music but its own:  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
Of him who died for thee,  
And hail him as thy matchless King  
Through all eternity.
- 2 Crown him the Virgin's Son,  
The God Incarnate born,  
Whose arm those crimson trophies won  
Which now his brow adorn:

The Shiloh long foretold,  
The Branch of Jesse's Stem;  
The Shepherd King of Israel's fold,  
The Babe of Bethlehem.

- 3 Crown him the Lord of love;  
Behold his hands and side,  
Those wounds yet visible above  
In beauty glorified:  
No angel in the sky  
Can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends his burning eye  
At mysteries so bright.
- 4 Crown him the Lord of peace,  
Whose power a sceptre sways  
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,  
And all be prayer and praise:  
His reign shall know no end,  
And round his piercèd feet  
Fair flowers of Paradise extend  
Their fragrance ever sweet.
- 5 Crown him the Lord of years,  
The Potentate of time,  
Creator of the rolling spheres,  
Ineffably sublime:  
All hail! Redeemer, hail!  
For thou hast died for me;  
Thy praise shall never, never fail,  
Throughout eternity.

*DIADEMATA*  
Matthew Bridges, 1851

*Sir G.J. Elvey, 1868*

#### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen 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.

## HOLY COMMUNION

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the people of God

*All:* *Thanks be to God.*

*The Cantor sings:*

*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.

God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. *Amen.*

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; 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. Alleluia.

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia.*

## CONCLUDING HYMN 591 – Thou art the Way

- 1 Thou art the Way: to thee alone  
From sin and death we flee:  
And he who would the Father seek  
Must seek him, Lord, by thee.
- 2 Thou art the Truth: thy Word alone  
True wisdom can impart;  
Thou only canst inform the mind,  
And purify the heart.
- 3 Thou art the Life: the rending tomb  
Proclaims thy conquering arm;  
And those who put their trust in thee  
Nor death nor hell shall harm.
- 4 Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life;  
Grant us that Way to know,  
That Truth to keep, that Life to win  
Whose joys eternal flow.

*S<sup>t</sup> JAMES*  
*Bishop G. W. Doane, 1824*

*Raphael Courteville, 1704*

**POSTLUDE:** Christ ist erstanden, BWV 627, *J.S. Bach*