FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 28, 2024 • 10:30 am + Holy Eucharist



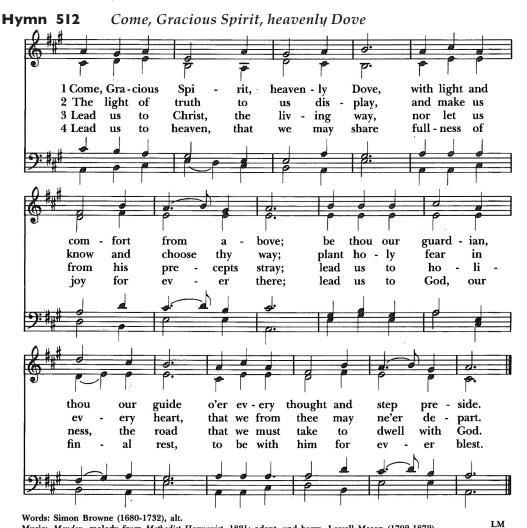


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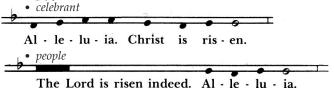
Prelude Prelude in F Major

J.S. Bach

• at the sound of the bells, all stand

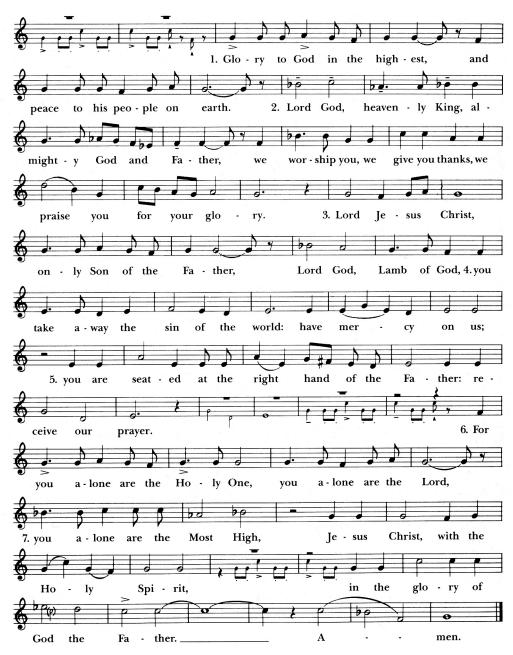


Opening Acclamation



Music: Mendon, melody from Methodist Harmonist, 1821; adapt. and harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

Song of Praise • S 278 Gloria in excelsis



Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

celebrant people celebrant

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

A - men.

• all be seated

First Reading Acts 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and **BCP** • Book of Common Prayer

S • Service music found at the front of the hymnal

WLP • Wonder, Love and Praise

The people's responses are indicated in bold type.

sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me

from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:24-30 • *sung by all*



- 24 My praise is of him in the great as sembly; *

 I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
 "May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, * and all the families of the nations shall bow be fore him.
- 27 For kingship be longs to the LORD; * he rüles over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; * all who go down to the düst fall be fore him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him; my des'cendants shall serve him; * they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.
- †30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn * the saving deeds that he has done.

Second Reading 1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: 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 atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives 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 Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son

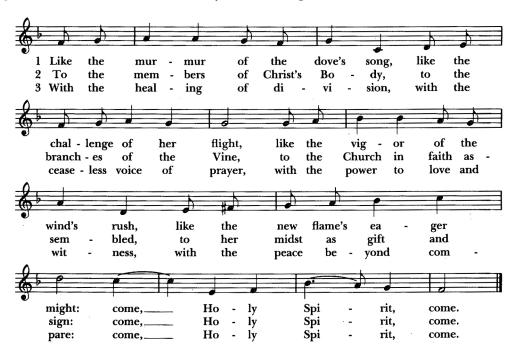
The Word of the Lord.

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of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, 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 whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters. are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Hymn 513 Like the murmur of a dove's song



Phrase 1 of each stanza may be sung by one group, with a contrasted group singing phrase 2, and all joining for the final phrase.

Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944)

Music: Bridegroom, Peter Cutts (b. 1937)

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Gospel John 15:1-8

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just 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. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

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

Sermon The Very Reverend Matthew Bradley

Nicene Creed • BCP 358 • all stand

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.

Prayers of the People

Almighty God; you are the Way, the Truth, and the Life: grant us always to see the way, hear the truth, and embrace the life, saying Amen, come Risen Lord.

Let us pray for the Church Universal throughout the world; and particularly for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, for Hosam, Anglican Archbishop in Jerusalem, for Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Terry our own Bishop, for all bishops, priests and deacons, and for all who minister to God's people, saying

Amen, come Risen Lord.

Let us pray for those bishops who have been nominated as candidates for our next Presiding Bishop; Scott Barker, Daniel Gutiérrez, Sean Rowe, Robert Wright and DeDe Duncan-Probe; that the House of Bishops may elect and the House of Deputies ratify a worthy steward of Thy Mysteries, saying

Amen, come Risen Lord..

Let us pray for our country, and for our elected leaders and representatives, especially President Biden, Vice President Harris, Governers Beshear and Holcomb, for the judiciary, the courts and all legislative bodies, that they may be led by the light of your grace, so that we may be governed rightly and wisely, and led in peace, saying

Amen, come Risen Lord.

Let us pray for peace throughout the world, especially in Ukraine and the Middle East, saying

Amen, come Risen Lord.

Let us pray for all who are in danger, for all victims of war, of hunger and natural disasters, and for all those displaced or endangered by oppressive governments, saying

Amen, come Risen Lord.

Let us pray for the needs, concerns and thanksgivings of those who have asked for our prayers, especially Jim & Dean, TJ, Betty Banton, Kitten Lawless, Robert Huffman, Nancy Otto, Donna Pottinger, Mitzi Schatz, Joy Stultz, for our many belssings especially for those celebrationg birthdays, Ann Barbieri, Gabe Durnil, Rob Guillen, Theresa Pope, and for those whom we now mention either silently or aloud , as we say

Amen, come Risen Lord.

Let us pray for those who have died or are nearing death, and for those whom we now mention either silently or aloud, , that they may behold your face in your eternal kingdom, saying

Amen, come Risen Lord.

• the celebrant adds a concluding collect

The Peace • all greet one another in the name of the Lord The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Dean's Welcome

LITURGY OF THE ALTAR



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Offertory Anthem Let us ever walk with Jesus

arr. Dan Forrest

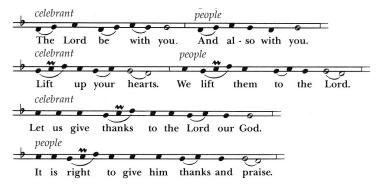
Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow his example pure, Through a world that would deceive us, where to sin our hearts are lured. Ever in His footsteps treading, living here, yet home above, full of faith and hope and love, Let us do our Father's bidding, faithful Lord, abide with me; Savior, lead, I follow Thee.

Let us also die with Jesus, by His cross He conquered death, Freed us from our souls' destruction, quickened us with life's new breath. Let us mortify, while living, self and pride, and die to sin, and the grave that shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heaven. Jesus, here I die to Thee, There to dwell eternally.

Let us gladly live with Jesus, He is risen from the dead. Death is swallowed up in victory, Jesus, Thou art now our Head. Living members of Thy Body, where Thou livest, we shall be, Thou wilt keep us constantly, Even so, dear Lord, come quickly, Jesus, here I live to Thee, There to dwell eternally.

The Great Thanksgiving

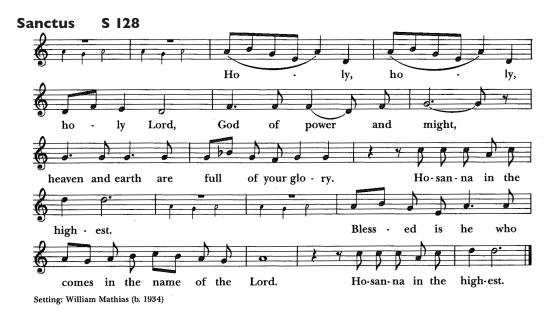
Eucharistic Prayer A • BCP 361



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where 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:



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:

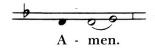
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. 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.

The Great Amen

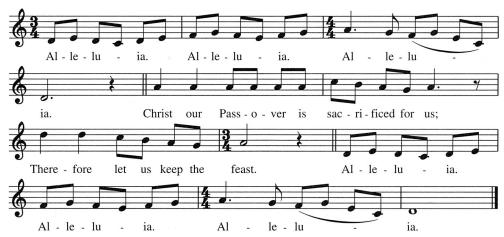


The Lord's Prayer • traditional version, BCP 364,

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

Fraction Anthem • WLP 866



Invitation to Communion

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.

- any baptized person from any Christian tradition who wishes to encounter the Real Presence of the Risen Christ in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood is welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you wish to learn more about the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, please speak with a priest or deacon following the liturgy.
- gluten free wafers are available; as you prepare to receive bread indicate your preference to the priest
- if you would like to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest

An Act of Spiritual Communion • for those attending virtually

Jesus, my Savior, I ask you to come into my heart and fill me with your love. Although I cannot physically join with others to celebrate the Eucharist today, I desire to offer my thanksgivings and prayers in union with all who worship you, wherever they may be. And although I cannot receive you now sacramentally in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, still I desire to receive your body and blood spiritually and feed on your love, that I may be united with you and with all your people in one communion and fellowship, your mystical body the church, now and ever more. Amen.

Communion Hymn 304 I come with joy to meet my Lord



Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), alt.

Music: Land of Rest, American folk melody; adapt. and harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)

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• all stand; said by all

Prayer after Communion

Almighty and everliving God, 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

Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

Concluding Hymn 704 O thou who camest from above



LM

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

Music: Hereford, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude Fugue in F Major

J.S. Bach

serving today ...

The Rev. Matthew Bradley, celebrant
The Rev. Dr. Eva Markham, deacon
Dr. Mark Kano, choir director
Denise Whittington, organist
Mike Wright, Tim Tice, lectors
Randy Peters, intercessor
Mike Wright, Marilyn Werst, Mike DaRif, Carolyn Van Zant, chalice bearers
Susan Torok, Bill Shelton, Kim McDaniel, acolytes
Patsy Melton, altar guild
Graham Whatley, Becky Collings, Carol Brown, greeters/ushers
Louise Isaacs, bell ringer
Frazier Marsh, live stream





Christ Church Cathedral Land Acknowledgement

Christ Church Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky gathers and stands on land which has been home, for over 11,000 years, to primarily Shawnee, Cherokee, Osage, Haudenosaunee Seneca, Hopewell and Adena peoples. Today we acknowledge the role our Church has played in colonialism's devasting legacy of death, stolen lands, dehumanizing removals, and forced assimilation of native people. We repent of our complicity in perpetuating the dominance of white European culture, even to the present day. We seek forgiveness. We honor the original peoples of this land and the presence of native people still living in Kentucky. We honor with respect their Elders, past, present, and future, their traditions, and the land itself. We commit to listen, learn, and walk in love.

Christ Church Cathedral bears witness to mass shootings

The placards on the walls throughout the nave serve as a witness to mass shootings in the United States of America during 2023. Each placard bears the name of the city and state where a mass shooting took place, as well as the number of people killed and injured. The Gun Violence Archive defines a mass shooting as those that "have a minimum of four victims shot, either injured or killed, not including any shooter who may also have been killed or injured in the incident."

At the time of publication, there have been 124 mass shootings in the USA this year.

We hope this witness brings us to our knees in prayer for an end to gun violence. And we ask the Holy Spirit to show us how we are called to act in response to these tragedies.

For more information on mass shootings and gun violence in America, visit gunviolencechive.org



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