

# The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2023



**Trinity Church**  
Jacksonville, Illinois



## PRELUDE

*In Joyful Praise*

Laurence Lyons

# The Word of God

*The Bell is rung; all stand for the Entrance Hymn.*

## Entrance Rite

### ENTRANCE HYMN

*Father, we praise thee, now the night is over (Christe sanctorum) (H 1)*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 323)

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

### COLLECT FOR PURITY AND GREAT COMMANDMENTS (BCP p. 323)

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.



1. Glo - ry be to God on high, and on earth peace,



good will towards men. 2. We praise thee, we bless thee,



we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give



thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, 3. O Lord God, heaven - ly



King, God the Fa-ther Al - might - y.



4. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ;



5. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that



ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -



on us. 6. Thou that ta - kest a - way the sins of the

world, re - ceive our prayer. 7. Thou that sit - test at the  
right hand of God the Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us.  
8. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; 9. thou  
on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art most  
high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. —  
A - - - - - men.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 325)**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And with thy spirit.  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

# The Lessons

## FIRST READING: Acts 7:55-60

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

<sup>55</sup>Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup>“Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” <sup>57</sup>But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. <sup>58</sup>Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. <sup>59</sup>While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” <sup>60</sup>Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            Thanks be to God.

## PSALM: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

<sup>1</sup>In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame; \*  
deliver me in your righteousness.

<sup>2</sup>*Incline your ear to me; \**  
*make haste to deliver me.*

<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

<sup>4</sup>*Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, \**  
*for you are my tower of strength.*

<sup>5</sup>Into your hands I commend my spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me,  
O LORD, O God of truth.

<sup>15</sup>*My times are in your hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who persecute me.*

<sup>16</sup>Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
and in your lovingkindness save me.

**SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:2-10**

A Reading from the First letter of Peter.

<sup>2</sup>Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—<sup>3</sup>if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

<sup>4</sup>Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and <sup>5</sup>like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup>For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

<sup>7</sup>To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner,”

<sup>8</sup>and

“A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

<sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

<sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God's people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

*All stand.*

**Cantor** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**People** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Cantor** Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more:  
death hath no more dominion over him.

**People** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

## **GOSPEL: John 14:1-14**

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

**People** Glory be to thee, O Lord.

1Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. 2In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. 4And you know the way to the place where I am going." 5Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" 6Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

8Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." 9Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? 10Do 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; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. 12Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. 13I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

**Celebrant** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** Praise be to thee, O Christ.

## **THE SERMON (BCP p. 326)**



**THE NICENE CREED (BCP p. 326)**

*All stand.*

I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible;  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
and glorified;  
who spake by the Prophets.  
And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church;  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP p. 328)

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

*All kneel.*

**Lector:** Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. Lord in thy mercy.

*Hear our prayer.*

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Brian, Michael, Justin, Carlos, Danté, and Zachary, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. Lord in thy mercy.

*Hear our prayer.*

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. Lord in thy mercy.

*Hear our prayer.*

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially our President Joseph, our Governor JB, Cail, Courtland, Levi, Nolan, Rankin, and Thomas, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. Lord in thy mercy.

*Hear our prayer.*

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. Lord in thy mercy.

*Hear our prayer.*

For those celebrating anniversaries this week, especially Ethan, Ryan, Janet, Nick, Betsy, Gayle, Sarah, Mary, Dennis, and Margie. Lord in thy mercy.

*Hear our prayer.*

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. Lord in thy mercy.

*Hear our prayer.*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially Paul, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. George, St. Andrew, St. Patrick, St. David, and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Lord in thy mercy.

*Hear our prayer.*

**Celebrant:** Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 330)

*The Celebrant says*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

Almighty God,

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

maker of all things, judge of all men:

We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins  
and wickedness,

which we from time to time most grievously have committed,  
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,  
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent,

and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,  
the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us,

have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
forgive us all that is past;  
and grant that we may ever hereafter  
serve and please thee in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of thy Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto 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.*

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

## **THE PEACE (BCP p. 332)**

*All stand.*

<i>Celebrant</i>	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	And with thy spirit.

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

# The Holy Communion

## **OFFERTORY SENTENCE (BCP p. 343)**

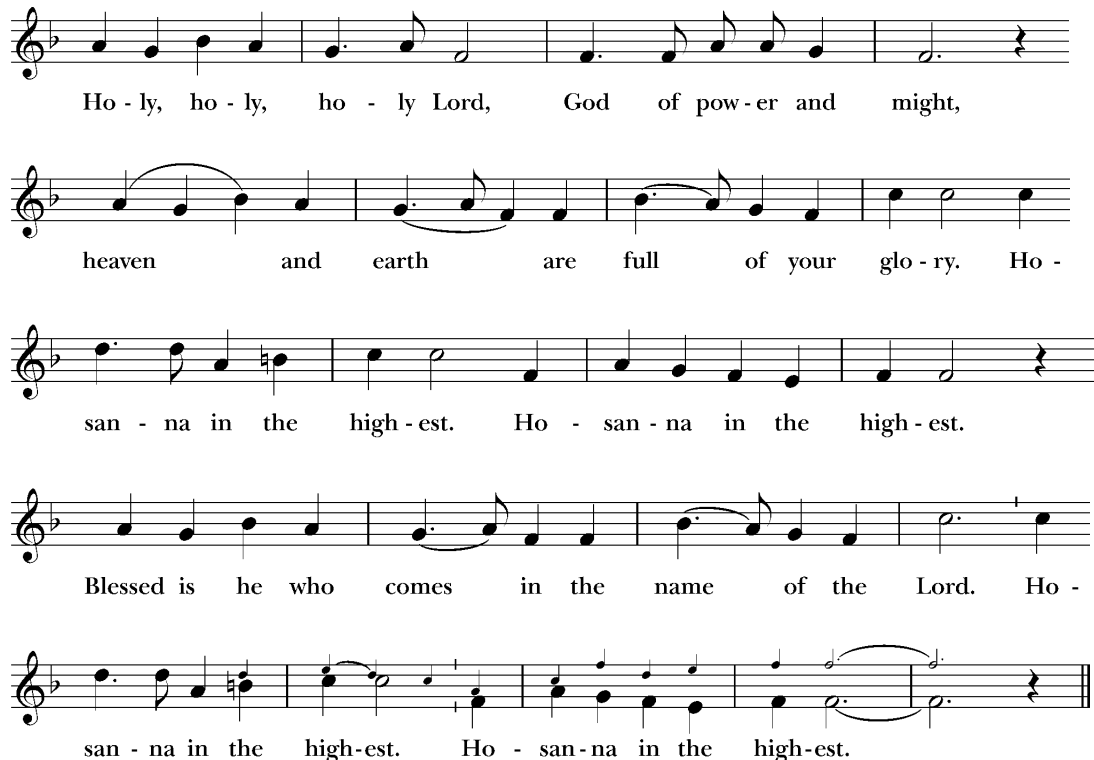
*The Celebrant says*

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good thy vows unto the Most High.  
*Psalms 50:14*



Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

(S 125)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THE CANON OF THE MASS (BCP p. 334)

*The people kneel or stand.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake 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, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.





Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

### **BLESSING (BCP p. 339)**

*The priest blesses the people, saying*

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

*All stand.*

### **DISMISSAL (BCP p. 340)**

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

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

### **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

*Holy God, we praise thy Name (Grosser Gott) (H 366), vss. 1-4*

### **POSTLUDE**

*Fughetta in G Major*      Dietrich Buxtehude

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## INTENTIONS AT THE PRAYERS

### **The Church**

The Diocese of Springfield	Brian, Bishop
The Episcopal Church	Michael, Presiding Bishop
The Church of England	Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury
The Region of Arequipa (Peru)	Carlos, Vicar
The Church in Wales	
St. Barnabas' (Havana)	Danté, Priest-in-Charge
Ndala Mission (Tanzania)	

### **Birthday**

Ethan Scott (5/7)  
Ryan Worrall (5/9)  
Janet Cisne (5/11)  
Nick Cisne (5/11)  
Betsy Kennedy (5/11)

### **Baptism**

Gayle Clark (5/9)  
Sarah Van Aken (5/9)  
Mary Watts (5/9)

### **Wedding**

Dennis & Margie Smith (5/10)

### **Those on active military duty and in law enforcement**

Levi Haley	Nolan Tighe	Samuel Rankin Weller
Cail Lang	Thomas Ramsay	Courtland Woodruff

### **The Departed**

Paul

## MINISTRY AND CALENDAR

The Very Rev. Zachary D. Brooks, Celebrant  
Organist: Mary Wilson  
Lector: Alice Tracey  
Acolyte: Clayton Robb  
Altar Guild: Janet Mitchell, Alice Tracey, Paula Woods  
Ushers: Chuck Crim  
Coffee Hour: The Traceys

**The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:**

*Paul Arthur Pollock*

*“May the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace, and rise in glory.”*

Wednesday, May 10:	10:00 am Holy Eucharist
Thursday, May 11:	5:30 pm ECW Salad Supper 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, May 14:	<b>The Sixth Sunday of Easter</b> (Feast of our Lord)
8:00 am	The Holy Eucharist
10:00 am	The Holy Eucharist
10:00 am	Church School

*Morning Prayer is said at 10 am on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.*

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