The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025



Tríníty Church Jacksonville, Illinois

PRELUDE *Voluntary*

William Goodwin

The Word of God

Entrance Rite

ENTRANCE HYMN

O God of every nation (Llangloffan) (H 607)

OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 323)

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ is risen.PeopleThe 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.





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 11:1-18

The people sit.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

¹Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' ¹⁰This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. 11At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' ¹⁵And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" ¹⁸When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

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

PSALM: Psalm 148

¹Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens; * praise him in the heights. ²Praise him, all you angels of his; * praise him, all his host. ³Praise him, sun and moon; * praise him, all you shining stars. ⁴*Praise him, heaven of heavens, ** and you waters above the heavens. ⁵Let them praise the Name of the LORD; * for he commanded, and they were created. ⁶*He made them stand fast for ever and ever; ** he gave them a law which shall not pass away. ⁷Praise the LORD from the earth, * you sea-monsters and all deeps; ⁸Fire and hail, snow and fog, * tempestuous wind, doing his will; ⁹Mountains and all hills, * fruit trees and all cedars; ¹⁰Wild beasts and all cattle, *creeping things and winged birds; ¹¹Kings of the earth and all peoples, *princes and all rulers of the world; ¹²Young men and maidens, *old and young together. ¹³Let them praise the Name of the LORD, *for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.

¹⁴He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, * the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6

A Reading from the Revelation of John.

¹I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them:

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away."

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

All stand for the Versicles and Gospel.

VERSICLES

- Cantor Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- People Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
- Cantor The right hand of the Lord hath the preeminence: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.
- People Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

PriestThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory be to thee, O Lord.

³¹[At the last supper, when Judas] had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Priest	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON (BCP p. 326)

THE CREED (BCP p. 326)

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. 387)

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

All kneel.

Lector: 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, especially for **Brian**, **Sean**, **Carlos**, **Mark**, **and Zachary**;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority, especially for **Donald**, our President, **JB**, our Governor, **Bentley, Cail, Courtland, Levi, Rankin, and Thomas**; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake and remember those celebrating anniversaries this week, especially **John and Mickey**; *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, especially **Paul**, eternal rest; *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

In the communion of the **Blessed Virgin Mary, St. George, St. Andrew, St. Patrick, and St. David**, we praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

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

Silence.

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 330)

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

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.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew* 11:28

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*

All stand.

THE PEACE (BCP p. 332)

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd 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. *Psalm 50:14*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

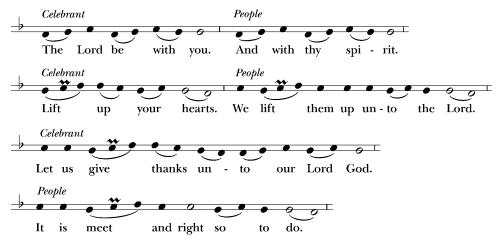
Let Us Love One Another Arnold Sherman

OFFERTORY HYMN

O praise ye the Lord (Laudate Dominum) (H 432), vss. 1, 2 & 4

The Great Thanksgiving

SURSUM CORDA S 112 Lift up your hearts (BCP p. 333)



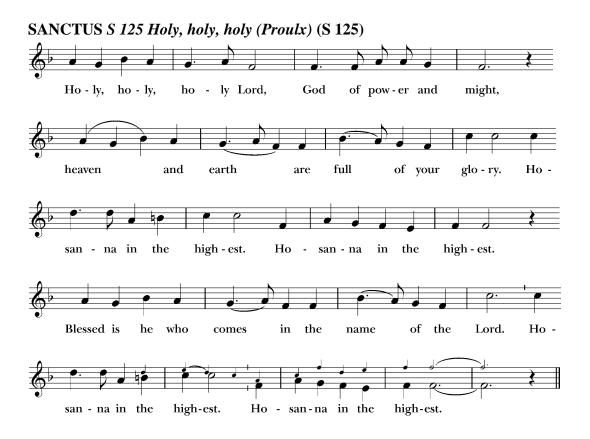
PROPER PREFACE (BCP p. 333)

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life.

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



WORDS OF INSTITUTION (BCP p. 334)

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;

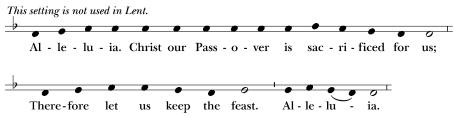
By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN*.



THE LORD'S PRAYER S 119 The Lord's Prayer (Traditional) (Plainsong/Douglas) (BCP p. 336)

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM S 152 Christ our Passover (Chant/Martens) (BCP p. 337)



This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (BCP p. 337)

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen*.

INVITATION (BCP p. 338)

The Celebrant says

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.

COMMUNION HYMN

Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling (Murray) (H 577)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 339)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People may join in saying this prayer

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 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*.

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 340)

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN

O holy city, seen of John (Morning Song) (H 583)

POSTLUDE

Postlude in C Minor George Blake

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INTENTIONS AT THE PRAYERS

The Church

The Diocese of SpringfieldBrian, BishopThe Episcopal ChurchSean, Presiding BishopThe Church of EnglandThe Region of Arequipa (Peru)The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & the Middle EastSt. Cecilia at Todd Hall (Columbia)Mark, Priest-in-ChargeIsevya Parish (Tanzania)The Mission of St. John the Evangelist (Peru)

Birthday

John Clancy (5/18) Mickey Quinones (5/24)

Those on active military duty and in law enforcement

Bentley Clayton Levi Haley Cail Lang Thomas Ramsay Samuel Rankin Weller Courtland Woodruff

The Departed Paul

MINISTRY AND CALENDAR

The Very Rev. Zachary D. Brooks, Celebrant		
Organist:	Mary Wilson	
Lector:	Nancy Taylor Porter	
Acolytes:	Bruce Evans & Clayton Robb	
Altar Guild:	Lisa Haley, Helen Keaton, Jo Ann Nelson, Abby Radcliffe	
Ushers:	Chuck Crim & Volunteer	
Coffee Hour:	Janet & Liz	

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."

Tuesday, May 20:	7:00 pm Vestry meeting
Wednesday, May 21:	10:00 am Holy Eucharist
Sunday, May 25: 8:00 am 8:45 am 10:00 am 10:00 am	The Sixth Sunday of Easter (Feast of our Lord) The Holy Eucharist Choir Rehearsal The Holy Eucharist Church School (last Sunday this school year)

Morning Prayer is said at 10 am on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. www.trinitychurchjax.org