



## Easter 5

May 15, 2022

Opening Hymn  
#48

O day of radiant gladness,  
O day of joy and light,  
O balm of care and sadness,  
most beautiful, most bright;  
this day the high and lowly,  
through ages joined in tune,  
sing, 'Holy, holy, holy,'  
to the great God Triune.

This day at the creation,  
the light first had its birth;  
this day for our salvation  
Christ rose from depths of earth;  
this day our Lord victorious  
the Spirit sent from heaven,  
and thus this day most glorious  
a triple light was given.

This day, God's people meeting,  
his Holy Scripture hear;  
his living presence greeting,  
through Bread and Wine made near.  
We journey on, believing,  
renewed with heavenly might,  
from grace more grace receiving  
on this blest day of light.

That light our hope sustaining,  
we walk the pilgrim way,  
at length our rest attaining,  
our endless Sabbath day.

We sing to thee our praises,  
O Father, Spirit, Son;  
the Church her voice upraises  
to thee, blest Three in One.

### Salutation for Easter

Alleluia Christ is Risen.

The Lord is risen indeed Alleluia!.

### Collect for Purity

#### The Gloria

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

The Lord be with you. **And also with you**

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. Amen.

## The First Lesson

### Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "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. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But 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.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea,

arrived at the house where we were. The 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. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If 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?" When 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."

## The Psalm

### Psalm 148

#### *Laudate Dominum*

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD from the heavens; \*  
praise him in the heights.

2 Praise him, all you angels of his; \*  
praise him, all his host.

3 Praise him, sun and moon; \*  
praise him, all you shining stars.

4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, \*  
and you waters above the heavens.

5 Let 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.  
7 Praise the LORD from the earth, \*  
you sea-monsters and all deeps;  
8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, \*  
tempestuous wind, doing his will;  
9 Mountains and all hills, \*  
fruit trees and all cedars;  
10 Wild beasts and all cattle, \*  
creeping things and winged birds;  
11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, \*  
princes and all rulers of the world;  
12 Young men and maidens, \*  
old and young together.  
13 Let them praise the Name of the LORD, \*  
for his Name only is exalted,  
his splendor is over earth and heaven.  
14 He 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!

### The Epistle

#### Revelation 21:1-6

I 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. And I saw the holy city, the new  
Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven  
from God, prepared as a bride adorned  
for her husband. And I heard a loud  
voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among  
mortals.  
He will dwell with them as their God;  
they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;  
he 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."

And 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." Then 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."

### Sequence Hymn #440

**Blesséd Jesus, at thy word  
we are gathered all to hear thee;  
let our hearts and souls be stirred  
now to seek and love and fear thee;  
by thy teachings pure and holy,  
drawn from earth to love thee solely.**

**All our knowledge, sense, and sight  
lie in deepest darkness shrouded,  
till thy Spirit breaks our night  
with the beams of truth unclouded;  
thou alone to God canst win us;  
thou must work all good within us.**

**Gracious Lord, thyself impart!  
Light of Light, from God proceeding,  
open thou our ears and heart,  
help us by thy Spirit's pleading.  
Hear the cry thy Church upraises;  
hear, and bless our prayers and  
praises.**

### The Gospel

## **John 13:31-35**

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. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little 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.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

## **The Sermon**

### **The Nicene Creed**

**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**

Jesus reminds us today that love is the fundamental law of Christianity. Let us pray to God our Father so that among us love may not remain an empty word, and let us say: R/ Lord, unite us in your love.

— For the Church, especially for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael our Presiding Bishop; Lawrence, Geralyn, Daniel, and William our Bishops, all the people and parishes of the Diocese of Long Island, and for Charles our Priest.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we give thanks this week for the LI Council of Churches Food Pantry, Members of Diocesan Council and its Departments, the Episcopal Church in Central America, Christ Church, Oyster Bay, St.

Margaret's, Plainview, for the Lutheran Anglican Roman Catholic Dialog; and for Congregations in our diocese Seeking New Clergy Leadership;

that with the strength of our commitment we may be a voice and a force promoting justice and love among people and among nations, let us pray: **R/ Lord, unite us in your love.**

— For the Churches groping for unity, that one day they may eat together the one bread of the one Lord, let us pray: **R/ Lord, unite us in your love.**

— For scientists and economists, that by their inventions and endeavors they may promote the quality of life and human freedom and dignity for all, let us pray: **R/ Lord, unite us in your love.**

— For all people of good will, that they may build up together a just society based on fairness and love, where there is no room for any discrimination, let us pray: **R/ Lord, unite us in your love.**

— For all of us here, that we may form a community of service, love and hope, open to all needs and all just aspirations, let us pray: **R/ Lord, unite us in your love.**

- For the needs and hopes of all those on our parish's prayer list, and those we now name silently or aloud...*pause...* And so we pray: **R/ Lord, unite us in your love.**

Priest: Let us pause for a moment of silence in prayer to mark the threshold crossed this week of the over one million Americans who have lost their lives in the Pandemic

Resurrected Lord: Dwell in each of our hearts, in each person who has been hospitalized, in all medical personnel, in priests and pastors, in the rulers of the nations and civic leaders, in our families at home, in our grandparents, in those who are in prison, who are afflicted, who are

oppressed and mistreated, in those who do not have their daily bread, in those who have lost a loved one because of covid- May the Resurrected Christ bring us hope, strengthen our faith, fill us with love and kinship, and grant us his peace. **Amen.**

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The Peace of the Lord be with you always **And also with you**

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. Heb. 13:16

**Hymn for the Preparation of the Table and Gifts #379**

**God is Love, let heaven adore him;  
God is Love, let earth rejoice;  
let creation sing before him  
and exalt him with one voice.  
God who laid the earth's foundation,  
God who spread the heaven above,  
God who breathes through all  
creation:  
God is Love, eternal Love.**

**God is Love; and Love enfolds us,  
all the world in one embrace:  
with unfailing grasp God holds us,  
every child of every race.  
And when human hearts are breaking  
under sorrow's iron rod,  
then we find that selfsame aching  
deep within the heart of God.**

**(over)**

**God is Love; and though with blindness  
sin afflicts all human life,  
God's eternal loving-kindness  
guides us through our earthly strife.  
Sin and death and hell shall never  
o'er us final triumph gain;  
God is Love, so Love for ever  
o'er the universe must reign.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

### **The Great Thanksgiving for Easter (Scottish Episcopal Church)**

**The Lord be with you And also with you**

**Lift up your hearts We lift them up to the  
Lord**

**Let us give thanks to the Lord our God**

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being. Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world. You are unceasingly at work, from chaos bringing order and filling emptiness with life. Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope. He lives in us that we may walk in light. Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power to purge our sin and warm our hearts to love. As children of your redeeming purpose, freed by him who burst from the tomb and opened the gate of life, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**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.**

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all, for by the Cross, eternal life is ours and death is swallowed up in victory. In the first light of Easter glory broke from the tomb and

changed the women's sorrow into joy. From the Garden the mystery dawned that he whom they had loved and lost is with us now in every place for ever. Making himself known in the breaking of the bread, speaking peace to the fearful disciples, welcoming weary fishermen on the shore, he renewed the promise of his presence and of new birth in the Spirit who sets the seal of freedom on your sons and daughters. Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which slaves walked free, at supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you." After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me." We now obey your Son's command We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom. Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with them ourselves a single, holy living sacrifice. Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom. Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. **Amen.**

All: **Our Father...**

### **Fraction Anthem #154**

(Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.)  
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast.  
(Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.)

### **The Reception of Communion**

**Gifts of God.....**

*Act of Spiritual Communion for those at home:*

*In union, O Lord, with the faithful of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive your presence sacramentally, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all the love of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live in you, and may you live in us, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen*

### **Meditation after the Reception of Communion**

### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray.

### **Celebrant and People**

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,**  
**you have graciously accepted us as**  
**living members**  
**of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,**  
**and you have fed us with spiritual food**  
**in the Sacrament of his Body and**  
**Blood.**  
**Send us now into the world in peace,**  
**and grant us strength and courage**  
**to love and serve you**  
**with gladness and singleness of heart;**  
**through Christ our Lord. 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.**

**Closing Hymn # 539**

**O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,  
to tell to all the world that God is Light;  
that he who made all nations is not willing  
one soul should fail to know his love and  
might.**

**Refrain**

**Publish glad tidings:  
tidings of peace,  
tidings of Jesus,  
redemption and release.**

**Proclaim to every people, tongue, and  
nation  
that God, in whom they live and move, is  
Love:  
tell how he stooped to save his lost  
creation,  
and died on earth that all might live  
above.**

**Refrain**

**Go in peace to Love and serve the Lord,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Thanks be to God Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Postlude**



**We Pray for the Healing & Support:**

We pray for Georgiana Ketcham who is in rehab at San Simeon

We pray for Jane Babinski and Doris Schultz and their continued recovery. and we continue to pray for Cindy Belt's sister Susan Belt Hartson

We pray for Ukraine, for peace and for safety For those who have lost loved ones, in the Pandemic, for those who are ill, for all those who serve, for all those who are anxious or fearful, and for...

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