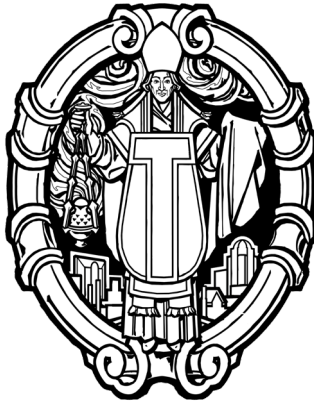


THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF
EASTER



APRIL 28, 2024 | HALF PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Christ is Risen.
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
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Lord, have mercy upon us.
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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Book of Common Prayer, 324

COLLECT FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FIRST LESSON

ACTS
8:26-40

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ut 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 Candace, 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 Azotus, and passing on he preached the gospel to all the towns till he came to Caesarea.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



PSALM

22:25-32

DEUS, DEUS
MEUS

25. My praise is of thee in the great congregation :
my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

26. *The poor shall eat and be satisfied :*
they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.

27. All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto
the Lord :
and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.

28. *For the kingdom is the Lord's :*
and he is the Governor among the people.

29. All such as be fat upon earth :
have eaten and worshipped.

30. *All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him :
and no man hath quickened his own soul.*

31. My seed shall serve him :
they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.

32. *They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness :
unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.*



SECOND LESSON

I JOHN
4:7-21



eloved, 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 Savior 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 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 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.

Thanks be to God.

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ALLELUIA

The right hand of the Lord hath the preeminence: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.



HOLY GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

JOHN
15:1-8



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 the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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The Reverend Fr. Steve Rice

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Book of Common Prayer, 327

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PRAYER FOR THE WHOLE STATE OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Book of Common Prayer, 328

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Book of Common Prayer, 331

OFFERTORY VERSE

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O be joyful in God all ye lands, sing praises unto the honour of his Name: O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God, and I will tell you what the Lord hath done for my soul, alleluia.

THE LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

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Pray, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, to our benefit, and to that of all his holy Church.

SURSUM CORDA

Book of Common Prayer, 333

PROPER PREFACE FOR EASTER

SANCTUS

Book of Common Prayer, 334

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KNEEL FOR THE CANON OF THE MASS.

OUR FATHER

Book of Common Prayer, 336

THE PEACE

AGNUS DEI

○ Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world.

Have mercy upon us.

○ Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world.

Have mercy upon us.

○ Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world.

Grant us thy peace.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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 our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body and our souls washed through his most Precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. AMEN.

Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takest away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that thou should'st come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed. (x3)

ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS WHO ARE IN LOVE AND CHARITY WITH THEIR NEIGHBORS ARE INVITED TO RECEIVE COMMUNION. FOR THOSE NOT BAPTIZED OR NOT PREPARED, YOU MAY RECEIVE A BLESSING AT THE ALTAR BY CROSSING YOUR ARMS OVER YOUR CHEST.



POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Book of Common Prayer, 339

NOTICES

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Depart in Peace, alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

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LAST GOSPEL

The Lord be with you

And with thy spirit.

The beginning of the ✠ Holy Gospel of ✠ Our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ, according to John.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE LAST GOSPEL, THE PEOPLE SAY

Thanks be to God.

