

**The Fourth Sunday After Easter**  
**Sunday, May 15, 2022**

**Sung Mass at 9:30 am**



*Ivory Plaque with the Crucifixion, c. 1060-70*  
The Met Museum, New York City

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*The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God:*

*Those on the Lady Altar are in thanksgiving for the memory of Bert Kish.*

#### **UPDATED PROVISOS FOR IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE**

*Masks are still required until the Feast of Pentecost on June 5th. The mask must be an N95, KN95, or acceptable equivalent. Exemptions are allowed as provided for by law; please inform a sidesperson if an exemption applies to you.*

*The Diocese has approved a return to congregational singing! Please join in heartily. Though distancing is no longer a requirement, please inquire of your nearest neighbours to ensure that all are comfortable and accommodated.*

**Celebrant & Homilist:** Fr. D'Angelo  
**Reader:** Ronwen Guest  
**Organist & Director of Music:** Matthew Whitfield

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MUSIC OF THE MASS – Communion Service in F, *Peter Aston*

**GREETING**

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Celebrant: May his grace and peace be with you.

**May he fill our hearts with joy.**

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**To you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO**

Celebrant: 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 OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING: Acts 11.1-18**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

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 word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The Choir sings:*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 148**

*Refrain: Alleluia!*

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights. Praise him, all you angels of his; praise him, all his host. Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars. **R/**

Praise him, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens. Let them praise the Name of the Lord; for he commanded, and they were created. He made them stand fast for ever and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away. **R/**

Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea-monsters and all deeps; Fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing his will; Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; Wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and winged birds; **R/**

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world; Young men and maidens, old and young together. Let them praise the Name of the Lord, for his Name only is exalted, his splendour is over earth and heaven. **R/**

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. **R/**

**SECOND READING: Revelation 21.1-6**

A reading from the book of Revelation:

Then 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; 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."

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia. Alleluia. A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 13.31-35**

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When he 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 Gospel of Christ.  
**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

*After the Sermon, please remain seated for a period of silent reflection. Please stand when the Celebrant stands.*

### THE NICENE CREED

*Celebrant:* Let us confess our faith, as we say,

*People:* **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: *(Bow.)* by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. *(Rise.)***

**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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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.**

*Please remain standing.*

### INTERCESSIONS

*Celebrant:* Let us praise our God, the father of our salvation, and ask that, in his mercy he hear our prayers.

*Intercessor:* For the universal Church, in the Anglican Communion \_\_\_\_\_, in our Diocese \_\_\_\_\_, for Andrew our Bishop, and all who worship and minister in this place that, with gentiles the world over we make the repentance that leads to life.

**Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.**

For the sick \_\_\_\_\_ that thirsty for health, they accept the Lord's gift of water from the spring of the water of life.

**Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.**

For others we are asked to pray for \_\_\_\_\_, that as they conquer their fears, wounds, and worries, so God will support them as a father, providing for his children.

**Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.**

In thanksgiving for \_\_\_\_\_ and all loves that come cradled in the one love of the Christ.

**Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.**

For the dead -- that bound by the vision of Peter, into the family of God, they rest with joy in his city.

**Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. *Amen.*

### INVITATION, CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant:* Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Please bow or kneel. Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant:* Most merciful God,

*People:* **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*All standing, the Celebrant bids the Peace.*

### THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*Please remain standing for the hymn during the Offertory.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN 55 – On this day, the first of days

- 1 On this day, the first of days  
God the Father's Name we praise;  
Who creation's Lord and Spring,  
Did the world from darkness bring.
- 2 On this day the Eternal Son  
Over death his triumph won;  
On this day the Spirit came  
With his gifts of living flame.
- 3 O that fervent love to-day  
May in every heart have sway,  
Teaching us to praise aright  
God the Source of life and light.

- 4 Father, who didst fashion me  
Image of thyself to be,  
Fill me with thy love divine,  
Let my every thought be thine.
- 5 Holy Jesu, may I be  
Dead and buried here with thee;  
And, by love inflamed, arise  
Unto thee a sacrifice.
- 6 Thou, who dost all gifts impart,  
Shine, sweet Spirit, in my heart;  
Best of gifts thyself bestow;  
Make me burn thy love to know.
- 7 God, the blessèd Three in One,  
Dwell within my heart alone;  
Thou dost give thyself to me,  
May I give myself to thee.

LÜBECK  
*Freylinghausen's Gesangbuch, 1704*

*Tr. (1861) from the Latin Le Mans Breviary (1748)*  
*by Rev. Sir H.W. Baker*

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life.

Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.



*The Choir sings:*

### SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

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.

*Please remain standing.*

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

*Celebrant:* Therefore, Father, according to his command:

*People:* **We remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory.**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant:* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant:* Lord, we died with you on the Cross

*People:* **Now we are raised to new life.**

*Celebrant:* We were buried in your tomb.

*People:* **Now we share in your resurrection.**

*Celebrant:* Live in us, that we may live in you.

## HOLY COMMUNION

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the people of God.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

*The Choir sings:*

## AGNUS DEI

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

*All baptized Christians are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion as directed by the Sidespeople.*

*The common cup at communion was restored as of Maundy Thursday. As has always been the case, communicants may choose to receive communion in one kind only (i.e. no one should feel obligated to receive both the bread and the wine).*

*As per Diocesan guidelines, communicants are asked not to dip the consecrated host into the chalice with their hand (the practice known as intinction) as an alternative to drinking from the chalice.*

## MOTET

A New Commandment, *William Mundy*

A new commandment give I unto you, saith the Lord, that ye love together, as I have loved you, that e'en so ye love one another.

## AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION WHICH MAY BE SAID BY THOSE NOT RECEIVING

**My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.**

## ANIMA CHRISTI

**Soul of Christ, sanctify me.**

**Body of Christ, save me.**

**Blood of Christ, inebriate me.**

**Water from the side of Christ, wash me.**

**Passion of Christ, strengthen me.**

**O good Jesu, hear me.  
Within thy wounds hide me.  
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.  
From the malicious enemy defend me.  
In the hour of my death call me.  
And bid me come to thee,  
That with thy saints I may praise thee,  
For ever and ever. Amen.**

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

#### **BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

The peace of God which passes 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 Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

#### **CONCLUDING HYMN 591 – Thou art the Way**

- 1 Thou art the Way: to thee alone  
From sin and death we flee:  
And he who would the Father seek  
Must seek him, Lord, by thee.
- 2 Thou art the Truth: thy Word alone  
True wisdom can impart;  
Thou only canst inform the mind,  
And purify the heart.
- 3 Thou art the Life: the rending tomb  
Proclaims thy conquering arm;  
And those who put their trust in thee  
Nor death nor hell shall harm.
- 4 Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life;  
Grant us that Way to know,  
That Truth to keep, that Life to win  
Whose joys eternal flow.