



St. John's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
COLD SPRING HARBOR

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 2, 2021

MORNING PRAYER RITE II

Prelude *Adagio* from Symphony V

Charles-Marie Widor

Opening Sentences

Priest Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (*1 Corinthians 15:57*)

The Invitatory

Priest Lord, open our lips.

People *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

Priest and People together

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Priest The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: Come let us adore him.

Jubilate: Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.
Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.
*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

Psalm 22:24-30

24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"
26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; *
he rules over the nations.
28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the Lord'S for ever.
30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

A reading from the First Letter of John

1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: 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 atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives 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 Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on 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 whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

The Word of the Lord

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Canticle: A Song of God's Love (1 John 4:7-11)

Beloved, let us love one another, *
for love is of God.
Whoever does not love does not know God, *
for God is Love.
In this the love of God was revealed among us, *
that God sent his only Son into the world,
so that we might live through Jesus Christ.
In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us *
and sent his Son that sins might be forgiven.
Beloved, since God loved us so much, *
we ought also to love one another.
For if we love one another, God abides in us, *
and God's love will be perfected in us.
*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

A reading from the Gospel of John

John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just 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. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The Word of the Lord

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Sermon

Gideon L. K. Pollach

Offertory Like the murmur of the dove's song

Bridegroom

The Apostles' Creed

Priest In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life, let us affirm our faith and say:

Priest and People together, all standing

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer (*Priest and People together*)

*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

The Suffrages A

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. *And grant us your salvation.*
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. *Let your people sing with joy.*
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. *For only in you can we live in safety.*
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. *Your saving health among all nations.*
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

The Collect of the Day

Priest 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 Prayers and Additional Collects

Priest Almighty and most merciful God, we remember before you all poor and neglected persons whom it would be easy for us to forget: the homeless and the destitute, the old and the sick, and all who have none to care for them. Help us to heal those who are broken in body or spirit, and to turn their sorrow into joy. Grant this, Father, for the love of your Son, who for our sake became poor, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

I ask your prayers for all those who are sick and all those commended to our prayers:

God of compassion, be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation; particularly, those serving our nation overseas, our partner school and church, St. Matthias in Deslandes, Haiti; those who are adversely affected by the Coronavirus and its response; and for those who are ill: Shirley Baker, Eileen Bellini, Chloe Clancy, Allie, Nick and Charles Culver, Elisa Deane, Luke Demarest, Nancy Fowler, Angelina Rose Freda, Barbara Gallagher, Bob Genzale, Vanessa Gullo, George Harstedt, Charles Herz, Evelyn Hiller, Edith Hoffman, Richard Hsia, Barbara Kelly, Ruth Knutson, Marie Lee, Bettina Levy, Andrew Lynch, Virginia Martinez, Una McHugh, Linda Miranda, Alan Moore, Peter Morris, Alex Patterson, Peter Pawelko, Joan Penrose-Borum, Luna Belle Perrone, Robert Reimels, Jack Santaniello, Katherine Simon, Joan Small, Helen Colgate Smith, Carole Walker, Terry and for any others we name now aloud or in our hearts.

A period of silence follows for your prayers

Priest In their loneliness, be their consolation; in their anxiety, be their hope; in their darkness, be their light; through him who suffered alone on the cross, but reigns with you in glory, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Priest I ask your prayers for all those who have died, especially Walter Doyle and those we name now aloud or in our hearts.

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

I ask your prayers of thanksgiving for all the blessings of our lives, especially for the human ingenuity and God-given talent that has brought us vaccines for COVID, and other thanksgivings we name now aloud or in our hearts.

A period of silence follows for your prayers of thanksgiving

The General Thanksgiving

Priest and People together

We give you thanks, most gracious God, for the beauty of earth and sky and sea; for the richness of mountains, plains, and rivers; for the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers. We praise you for these good gifts, and pray that we may safeguard them for our posterity. Grant that we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant creation, to the honor and glory of your Name, now and for ever. Amen.

Priest O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Closing Sentences

Priest Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Announcements

The Grace

Priest The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Hymn 182 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

Truro

Postlude Prelude, Fugue and Chaconne

Dieterich Buxtehude

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God

Service Participants

8 am Service

Lector: Daniel Barbiero

Ushers: Cathy Casalicchio, James Sanna

10 am Service

Readers: Virginia Jacobsen, Ted Bahr, Stephen White

Vocal soloist: Josephine Greco

Organist: Dr. Carol Weitner

Caring Connection

For April: Cathy Casalicchio (ph.631-678-8929), and Susie Fairchild (ph. 631 423-3158). Anytime: call the Church Office (516-692-6368)

This Week at St. John's

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| 5/2 Sun | 8 am | Holy Eucharist Rite II |
| | 10 am | Morning Prayer Rite II |
| 5/3 Mon | 12 pm | Monday Bible Study |
| | 7:30 pm | Sacred Ground Lenten Program |
| 5/4 Tue | 10 am | Online Church Staff Meeting |
| | 5pm | Grow-to-Give Garden Work Period |
| 5/5 Wed | 6 pm | Handbell Choir Rehearsal |
| 5/6 Thu | 7:30 pm | Adult Choir Zoom Rehearsal |
| 5/8 Sat | 10 am | Grow-to-Give Garden Work Period |
| 5/9 Sun | 8 am | Holy Eucharist Rite II |
| | 10 am | Online Morning Prayer Rite II (Mother's Day) |
| | 4pm | Confirmation Class |

Links to all online and activities on Zoom can be found in the St. John's calendar on the website www.stjcsh.org or in the latest *At St. John's* e-newsletter.