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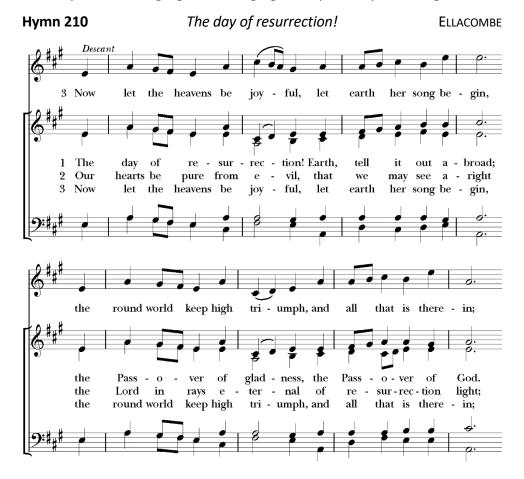
The Fifth Sunday of Easter Choral Eucharist

Sunday, May 2, 2021

Ten o'clock in the morning

Organ Voluntary

The cathedral choir will lead the hymns. Congregants are welcome to hum at the hymns but congregational singing is not presently encouraged.





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THE EASTER GREETING

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Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 LESSONS

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

[8: 26-40]

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Ga'za." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Canda'ce, gueen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isai'ah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isai'ah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.

When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azo'tus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesare'a.

Leader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22 Deus, Deus meus BCP p. 612

The Cantor sings the refrain initially and the People join when invited



- 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!"
- All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *

and all the families of the nations bow before him.

- 27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; * he rules over the nations.
- 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.
- They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn * the saving deeds that he has done.

A Reading from the First Letter of John

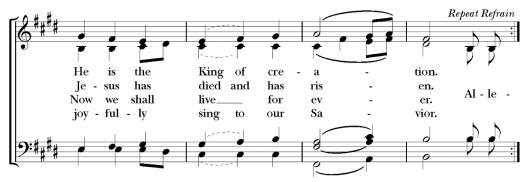
[4: 7-21]

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.

Leader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.





The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

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The Holy Gospel

[John 15: 1-8]

All Stand

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. 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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Rev. Nicola Bowler

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.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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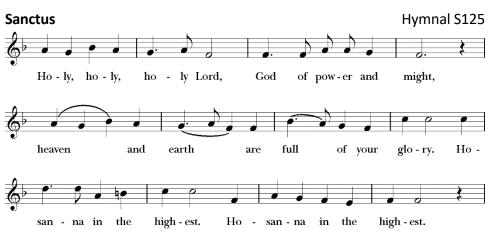
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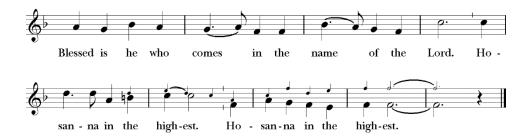
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The Lord be with you. **And also with you**Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,





The People stand. Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and **People**:

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant: continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy People, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Deacon:

Remember Michael our Presiding Bishop; Alan, our bishop; Fr. Troy, Amma Nicola, Fr. Zeb., Deacon John, Deacon Jean, Mark, John, and Jovan; all lay and ordained ministers, and all who minister in your Church.

We pray for the bishop candidates for the work of the Bishop Transition Committee, and for the Convention delegates as we approach the selection of the tenth Bishop of Iowa.

In our companion Diocese of Brechin we pray for St. Mary the Virgin, Arbroath; St. Peter, Auchmithie; In our companion Diocese of Nzara we pray for the clergy and people of the Diocesan Head Office; In our companion Diocese of Swaziland we pray for the cergy and people of Motshane Parish; in our own Diocese we pray for The Standing Committee and Board of Directors of the Episcopal Corporation of the Diocese of Iowa; all commissions and task groups; lay leaders of the diocese, and Diocesan staff; and in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the clergy and people of The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and The Middle East.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, especially Mary Pope, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

The Celebrant then continues

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Paul and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

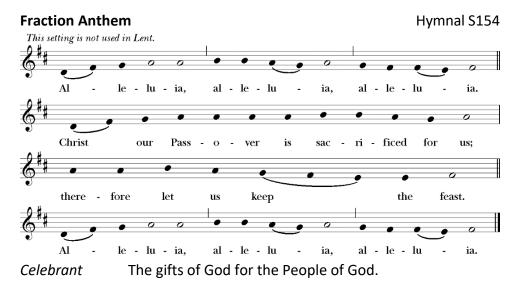
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

In Unison

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.

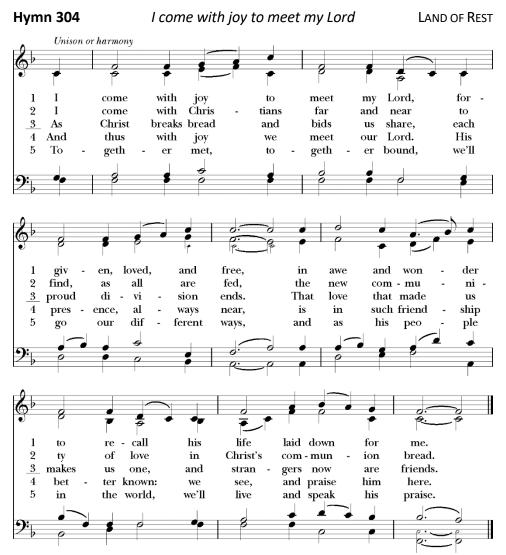
The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread



All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please remain in your place and a clergy person will bring communion to you. Alternatively you are invited to receive a blessing, by crossing your arms over your chest.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787) My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.



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After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

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.

THE 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.**

Hymn 296 We know that Christ is raised ENGELBERG Printed music unavailable due to copyright

- St. 1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold, and our despair he turned to blazing joy. Alleluia!
- St. 2 We share by water in his saving death.

 Reborn, we share with him an Easter life as living members of a living Christ.

 Alleluia!
- St. 3 The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.
 The Spirit's power shakes the church of God.
 Baptized, we live with God, the Three in One.
 Alleluia!

St. 4 A new creation comes to life and grows as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood. The universe, restored and whole, will sing: Alleluia!

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia,

alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Organ Voluntary

Announcements for May 2, 2021

St. Paul's Cathedral Arts

Alex Kane – a new and gifted composer and a new and exciting Evensong.

Please join us for Choral Evensong on **Sunday, May 16 at 4:00 pm**. This special service features music by Cathedral Choir member Alex Kane. The service will be available in person and <u>livestreamed</u>. The same safety protocols for Sunday morning apply. We offer this beautiful service of sung prayer on behalf of a broken world. Find rest, hope, healing, and inspiration from this unique Anglican tradition.

Save the Date: Pentecost Sunday - May 23 - Parish Social

Pentecost Sunday this year is May 23, and we hope you will join us. Come reconnect with your friends at St. Paul's at our outdoor parish social on Pentecost Sunday, 11:00 am. Come and wish Fr. Zeb farewell as he departs for his new ministry in Kentucky! Fish & chips, burgers & chips, or bangers & mash will be catered by The Mucky Duck Pub of Ames. Advance food orders are encouraged: Call the church office (515) 288-7297 or email administrator@cathedralchurchofstpaul.org

<u>Menu</u>

Fish & chips - \$15 Veggie burger & chips - \$12 Adult burger & chips - \$12 Bangers & mash - \$10 Child burger & chips - \$7

Cans of soda, iced tea, and bottled water will also be available.

Pay on the day, cash or check only

July 19 – July 23, 2021

Ages 8 -13

Please register by Friday, June 4.

Curriculum will incorporate music theory, church music, vocal exercise, dance, handbells, architecture, and prayer. Registration fee \$45 or \$80 for 2 (includes all materials, lunch, and snacks; scholarships available). Limited to 25 and following Department of Education heath protocols. To register, please visit our website: cathedralchurchofstpaul.org

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