

# THE EUCHARIST

# ON THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 8 May 2022 at 11.00am

#### The Eucharist in Eastertide

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion on the Fourth Sunday of Easter. We welcome those live-streaming from home, who share this service with those present in the Minster.

The Great Fifty Days of Eastertide form a single festival period in which the tone of joy created at the Easter Vigil is sustained through the following seven weeks, and the Church celebrates the gloriously risen Christ:

The Paschal (Easter) Candle, first lit at the Easter Vigil, remains lit for all the Eastertide services. The Alleluia (absent from worship since Ash Wednesday) appears frequently in liturgical speech and song, and white or gold vestments and decorations emphasize the joy and brightness of the season. The Prayers of Penitence during Eastertide take place at the font, with the sprinkling of water, as a reminder of our being baptized into Christ's death and resurrection (Romans 6.4).

Adapted from Common Worship: Times and Seasons

Today's service is sung by the Choir of York Minster. The setting of the Eucharist is the MASS FOR FIVE VOICES by William Byrd (1539/40–1623).

The Preacher is the Revd Michael Smith, Acting Dean and Canon Pastor.

### Information about this Service

- This service is being live-streamed, but care is taken to focus on the clergy and choir and not the congregation.
- Hand sanitizer is available for your use.
- Please follow the directions of the stewards.
- For licensing and safeguarding reasons, please do not record this service on your own devices.
- If you do not wish to take communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and let the minister know.
- ◆ Gluten-free communion wafers are available from the communion station at the front, nearest the altar. Please follow the directions of the Stewards. When the time comes to receive communion, please ask the minister for a gluten-free wafer.

Please join in saying together the words printed in bold type.

# The Gathering

Please stand for the Processional Hymn.

### **Processional Hymn**



The strife is o'er, the battle done; now is the victor's triumph won; O let the song of praise be sung. Alleluya!

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst, and Jesus hath his foes dispersed; let shouts of praise and joy outburst.

Alleluya!

On the third morn he rose again glorious in majesty to reign;
O let us swell the joyful strain.
Alleluya!

He brake the age-bound chains of hell; the bars from heaven's high portals fell; let hymns of praise his triumph tell. Alleluya!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee from death's dread sting thy servants free, that we may live, and sing to thee.

Alleluya!

Words Latin, 17th century translated by Francis Pott (1832–1909) Tune VICTORY, NEH 119, adapted by W H Monk (1823–89)

## The Greeting

The President says:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The President introduces the service.

Please remain standing.

# **Prayers of Penitence**

A minister introduces the confession:

In baptism we died with Christ, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, we might walk in newness of life. Let us receive new life in him as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry, and repent of all our sins.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name.

Amen.

The president says the absolution:

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. Amen.

The president prays over water in the font:

God our Father, your gift of water brings life and freshness to the earth; in baptism it is a sign of the washing away of our sins and the gift of life eternal.

Sanctify this water, we pray. Renew the living spring of your life within us, that we may be free from sin and filled with your saving health; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

As the choir sings the Gloria, the people are sprinkled with water as a sign of their baptism.

#### Gloria in Excelsis

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe: Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis, qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad you are seated at the right hand of the dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Please remain standing.

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; 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

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Please sit.

# The Liturgy of the Word

# First Reading

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

ACTS 9.1-6

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Please stand.

### Gradual Hymn



- I. Loving Shepherd of thy sheep, keep thy lamb, in safety keep; nothing can thy power withstand, none can pluck me from thy hand.
- 2. Loving Saviour, thou didst give thine own life that we might live, and the hands outstretched to bless bear the cruel nails' impress.
- I would praise thee every day, gladly all thy will obey, like thy blessed ones above happy in thy precious love.
- Loving Shepherd, ever near, teach thy lamb thy voice to hear;
   suffer not my steps to stray from the straight and narrow way.
- 5. Where thou leadest I would go, walking in thy steps below, till before my Father's throne I shall know as I am known.

Words Jane Leeson (1809–81)
Tune BUCKLAND, AM 724, Leighton Hayne (1836–83)

Please sit.

## **New Testament Reading**

A Reading from the book of Revelation.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing,

'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God,

and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,

nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

REVELATION 7.9-end

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

## **Gospel Reading**

The choir begins the Alleluia; the congregation then joins in the response, which is sung before and after the verse:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!



I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

#### Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

JOHN 21.1-19

After the Gospel the reader says:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The Alleluia response is repeated.



Please sit for the sermon.

## Sermon

The Revd Michael Smith, Acting Dean and Canon Pastor

The organist improvises a reflective response.

Please stand to say the Creed.

#### The Creed

Let us affirm our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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 Intercession**

The President introduces the prayers with these words:

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

Please sit or kneel.

One of these responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

OR

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

The prayers may conclude:

Merciful Father accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Please stand.

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

The President introduces the Peace:

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 always with you and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All are invited to exchange a sign of peace.

### Offertory Hymn



- 1. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour, 3. Though the lowliest form doth veil thee first-begotten from the dead, thou alone, our strong defender, liftest up thy people's head. Alleluia, alleluia, Jesu, true and living bread.
- 2. Here our humblest homage pay we, here in loving reverence bow; here for faith's discernment pray we, lest we fail to know thee now. Alleluia, alleluia, thou art here, we ask not how.
- as of old in Bethlehem, here as there thine angels hail thee, branch and flower of Jesse's stem. Alleluia, alleluia, we in worship join with them.
- 4. Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished once for all when thou wast slain, in its fulness undiminished shall for evermore remain. Alleluia, alleluia, cleansing souls from every stain.

5. Life-imparting heavenly Manna, stricken Rock with streaming side, heaven and earth with loud hosanna worship thee, the Lamb who died, Alleluia, alleluia, risen, ascended, glorified.

Words G H Bourne (1840–1925) Tune ST HELEN, NEH 296, George C Martin (1844-1916)

# Taking of the Bread and Wine

This prayer is said as the gifts are presented:

Risen Lord Jesus Christ, we believe you, and all we have heard is true. When you break bread may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us, that we may bring light to the world.

Amen.

## The Eucharistic Prayer

The following dialogue is said or sung:



Let us give thanks to the Lord\_ our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.\_

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works. For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored in men and women the image of your glory. He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal. And so, in the joy of this Passover, earth and heaven resound with gladness, while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation sing for ever the hymn of your glory.

### The choir sings:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth, pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis. 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.

The congregation is invited to sit or kneel.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, 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.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again. Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Peter the Apostle, William of York, and all the saints, to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

A short silence is kept.

# The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

# Breaking of the Bread

The President breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

### **Giving of Communion**

The President says an invitation to communion:

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The body and blood of Christ keep you in eternal life.

During the distribution of Communion the choir sings:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the

miserere nobis. world, have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the

dona nobis pacem. world, grant us peace.

and

O sacrum convivium in quo Christus sumitur, recolitur memoria passionis eius, mens impletur gratia, et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.

O sacred banquet in which Christ is received, the memory of his Passion is renewed, the mind filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us.

*Words* Magnificat antiphon, Second Vespers of Corpus Christi *Music* Thomas Tallis (c. 1505–85)

Communion is administered at a number of places. You will be guided by the Stewards.

# **Prayer after Communion**

The congregation stands.

The President says

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

### Hymn



Ye choirs of new Jerusalem your sweetest notes employ, the paschal victory to hymn in strains of holy joy.

How Judah's Lion burst his chains, and crushed the serpent's head; and brought with him, from death's domains the long-imprisoned dead.

From hell's devouring jaws the prey alone our Leader bore; his ransomed hosts pursue their way where he hath gone before.

Triumphant in his glory now his sceptre ruleth all; earth, heaven, and hell before him bow, and at his footstool fall.

While joyful thus his praise we sing, his mercy we implore, into his palace bright to bring and keep us evermore.

All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son, all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee, while endless ages run. Alleluya! Amen.

Words Fulbert of Chartres (d 1028) translated by R Campbell (1814–68) Tune St Fulbert, Neh 124, H J Gauntlett (1805–76)

### The Dismissal

### Please remain standing.

The President says:

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal 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.

The Deacon say or sings:



### Everyone responds:



Psalm 150 is sung by the choir as the procession leaves.

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