

THE EUCHARIST

ON THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 15 May 2022 at 11.00am

The Eucharist in Eastertide

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion on the Fifth 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 IN G by Franz Schubert (1797–1828).

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



- I. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does his successive journeys run;
 his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song, and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.
- 3. Blessings abound where'er he reigns: the prisoner leaps to lose his chains; the weary find eternal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.
- 4. Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honours to our King; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud Amen.

Words Isaac Watts (1674–1748) Tune Truro, Neh 388 i, Psalmodia Evangelica (1789)

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, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and 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.

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.'

ACTS 11.1-18

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn



1. From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise:

Alleluia.

Let the Redeemer's name be sung through every land by every tongue. Alleluia.

2. Eternal are thy mercies, Lord; eternal truth attends thy word: Alleluia.

Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore, till suns shall rise and set no more. Alleluia

Words Isaac Watts (1674–1748) Tune Lasst uns erfreuen, am 637, Cologne (1623) Please sit.

New Testament Reading

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.

REVELATION 21.1-6

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.**

During the supper, when Judas 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.'

JOHN 13.31-35

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



- Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem, cleave the skies with shouts of praise; sing to him who found the ransom, ancient of eternal days,
 God eternal, Word incarnate, whom the heaven of heaven obeys.
- 2. Ere he raised the lofty mountains, formed the sea, or built the sky, love eternal, free, and boundless, forced the Lord of life to die, lifted up the Prince of princes on the throne of Calvary.
- 3. Now on those eternal mountains stands the sapphire throne, all bright, with the ceaseless alleluyas which they raise, the sons of light; Sion's people tell his praises, victor after hard-won fight.
- 4. Bring your harps, and bring your incense, sweep the string and pour the lay; let the earth proclaim his wonders, King of that celestial day; he the Lamb once slain is worthy, who was dead, and lives for ay.
- 5. Laud and honour to the Father, laud and honour to the Son, laud and honour to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One, One in love, and One in splendour, while unending ages run.

Words Job Hupton (1762–1849) and and J M Neale (1818–66) Tune NEANDER, NEH 351, Joachim Neander (1640–80)

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

Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine vere passum, immolatum, in cruce pro homine. Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit sanguine. Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine. O dulcis, O pie, O Jesu, fili Mariæ, miserere mei. Amen.

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, who truly suffered upon the cross for mankind: from whose pierced side there came forth water and blood; give us now, and at the time of our death, yourself to be our food. Gentle, holy Jesus, Son of Mary, have mercy on me. Amen.

Words Latin, 14th century ♦ Music Colin Mawby (b. 1936)

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

Prayer after Communion

The congregation stands.

The President says

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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



- I. God is love: let heav'n adore him;
 God is love: let earth rejoice;
 let creation sing before him,
 and exalt him with one voice.
 He who laid the earth's foundation,
 he who spread the heav'ns above,
 he who breathes through all creation,
 he is love, eternal love.
- God is love: and he enfoldeth all the world in one embrace; with unfailing grasp he holdeth every child of every race.
 And when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod, then they find that selfsame aching deep within the heart of God.
- 3. God is love: and though with blindness sin afflicts the souls of men, God's eternal loving-kindness holds and guides them even then.Sin and death and hell shall never o'er us final triumph gain;God is love, so love for ever o'er the universe must reign.

Words NEH 364, Timothy Rees (1874–1939) Tune Blaenwern, NEH 408, William Rowlands (1860–1937)

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:



Recessional Psalm

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

O praise God in his holiness • praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him in his noble acts ♦ praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him in the sound of the trumpet ♦ praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him in the cymbals and dances ♦ praise him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals ♦ praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let every thing that hath breath ♦ praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son ♦ and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be ♦ world without end. Amen.

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