



# The Holy Eucharist

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER AND CREATION CARE

11:00 a.m. Sunday, April 24, 2016

*Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly.  
May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.  
May you leave here with a heart prepared to serve.*



*If this is your first time here, or your first time back in a while,  
we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card found in your pew  
and put it in the offering plate.*

**PRELUDE**

Pastorale in F-Major  
BWV 590

Johann Sebastian Bach  
1685-1750

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

All Creatures of Our God and King

*Hymnal, #400*

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*The Book of Common Prayer, page 299*

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen!

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

**THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

all say together

**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.**

**GLORIA**

*Hymnal, S-278*

**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.**

**FIRST READING**

all sit

Acts 11:1-18



- 1 Hallelujah!  
Praise the <sup>1</sup>LORD from the <sup>1</sup>heavens; \*  
— <sup>1</sup>praise him <sup>1</sup>in the <sup>1</sup>heights.
- 2 Praise him, <sup>1</sup>all you <sup>1</sup>angels of his; \*  
— <sup>1</sup>praise him, <sup>1</sup>all his <sup>1</sup>host.
- 3 Praise him, <sup>1</sup>sun and <sup>1</sup>moon; \*  
praise him, <sup>1</sup>all you <sup>1</sup>shining <sup>1</sup>stars.
- 4 Praise him, <sup>1</sup>heaven of <sup>1</sup>heavens, \*  
and you <sup>1</sup>waters a<sup>1</sup>bove the <sup>1</sup>heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the <sup>1</sup>Name of the <sup>1</sup>LORD; \*  
for he com<sup>1</sup>manded, and <sup>1</sup>they were cre<sup>1</sup>ated.
- 6 He made them stand fast for <sup>1</sup>ever and <sup>1</sup>ever; \*  
he gave them a law which <sup>1</sup>shall not <sup>1</sup>pass a <sup>1</sup>way.
- 7 Praise the <sup>1</sup>LORD from the <sup>1</sup>earth, \*  
you <sup>1</sup>sea-monsters and <sup>1</sup>äll <sup>1</sup>deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, <sup>1</sup>snow and <sup>1</sup>fog, \*  
tempestuous <sup>1</sup>wind, <sup>1</sup>doing his <sup>1</sup>will;
- 9 Mountains and <sup>1</sup>äll <sup>1</sup>hills, \*  
— <sup>1</sup>fruit trees and <sup>1</sup>äll <sup>1</sup>cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and <sup>1</sup>äll <sup>1</sup>cattle, \*  
creeping <sup>1</sup>things and <sup>1</sup>wingèd <sup>1</sup>birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and <sup>1</sup>äll <sup>1</sup>peoples, \*  
princes and all <sup>1</sup>rulers <sup>1</sup>of the <sup>1</sup>world;

12 Young<sup>1</sup>men and<sup>1</sup>maidens, \*  
—<sup>1</sup>old and<sup>1</sup>young to<sup>1</sup>gether.

13 Let them praise the<sup>1</sup>Name of the<sup>1</sup>LORD, \*  
for his Name only is exalted,  
his splendor is<sup>1</sup>over<sup>1</sup>earth and<sup>1</sup>heaven.

14 He has raised up strength for his people  
and praise for all his<sup>1</sup>loyal<sup>1</sup>servants, \*  
the children of Israel, a people who are<sup>1</sup>near him.<sup>1</sup>  
<sup>1</sup>Halle<sup>1</sup>lujah!

## SECOND READING

Revelation 21:1-6

## GRADUAL HYMN

Glorious things of thee are spoken

*Hymnal, #523*

verses 1 & 2 – before the Gospel; verses 3 & 4 – after the Gospel

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

all stand

John 13:31-35

Response after the Deacon introduces the Gospel

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Response at the end of the Gospel reading

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Deborah White

## THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*The Nicene Creed*

**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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Leader God of all that has life, we pray for the creatures of land, sky and sea.

People **The heavens and earth tell of your glory.**

Leader God of wisdom, we pray for those in positions of power, that they might cultivate a relationship of generous reciprocity with the earth.

People **Awaken our zeal to care for your creation.**

Leader God of healing and reconciliation, we pray for those who suffer from illness, disease, alienation, and worry.

People **Teach us to be better friends and stewards.**

Leader God of growth, we pray for the vision to work for a world that nurtures and sustains generations to come.

People **Help us to cultivate care and respect for all living beings.**

Leader We remember those who have died in our community, this nation and the world.

People **We give thanks that you bring life out of death and ripen all things in their season.**

Leader We pray for those whose lives are closely linked with our own ...

The Celebrant adds petitions here from the St. Mary's Prayer List  
and invites people to add their own petitions.

Celebrant God of abundance, help us to give of ourselves freely and fearlessly, knowing that life of the Spirit which gives back with magnificent increase, and strengthen our trust in your constant and gracious providence, through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

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

## GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Beautiful Savior

F. Melius Christiansen  
1871-1955

Beautiful Savior, King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve thee,  
Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer;  
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration,  
Now and forevermore be Thine!

## DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS:

tune: *Lasst uns erfreuen*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise him, all creatures here below.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Praise him above, ye heavenly host:**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia,**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord..**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Hymnal, S-128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The celebrant continues....

Celebrant Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

The celebrant continues....

Celebrant ... that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**



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.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Alleluia, Christ our Passover

*Hymnal, S-152*

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

THE INVITATION

AGNUS DEI

Hymnal, S-165



Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy



on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy



on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

Let us Break Bread Together

Hymnal, #325

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

all say together

**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.**

SENDING OF THE LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR \*

Celebrant N., in the name of this parish family, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts to \_\_\_\_\_. Together we share in the body and blood of Christ.

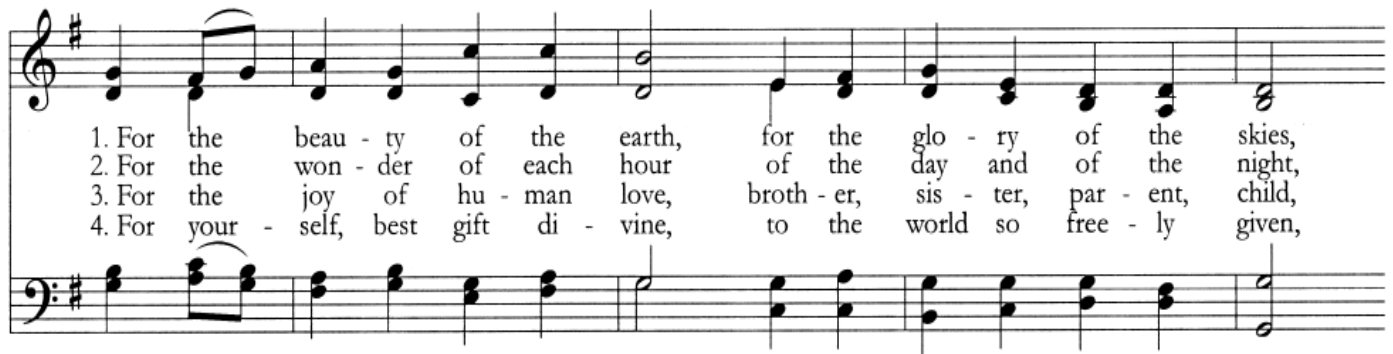
People **Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.**

\* when appropriate

# THE BLESSING

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

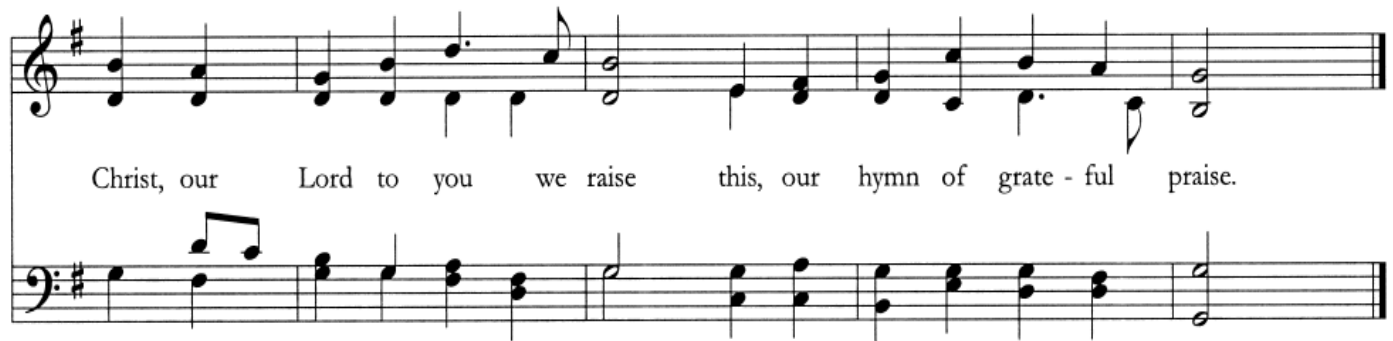
For the beauty of the earth



1. For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,  
2. For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
3. For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
4. For your - self, best gift di - vine, to the world so free - ly given,



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies  
hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,  
friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,  
a - gent of God's grand de - sign: peace on earth and joy in heaven.



Christ, our Lord to you we raise this, our hymn of grate - ful praise.

Text: Folliot S. Pierpoint, 1864

Music: Conrad Kocher, 1839; Adapt; William H. Monk, 1861

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## DISMISSAL

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

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

*As a courtesy to those who wish to continue in prayer or listen to the postlude,  
please exit quietly and join in fellowship in the courtyard.  
We request that there be no applause after the postlude.  
Thank you.*

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