

The Holy Eucharist

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER AND CREATION CARE

9:00 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

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Book of Common Prayer, page 355

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

CHILDREN'S CHOIR ANTHEM

Earth And All Stars

David N. Johnson

1922-1987

Earth and all stars, loud rushing planets,
Sing to the Lord a new song!
O victory, loud shouting army,
Sing to the Lord a new song!
He has done marvelous things.
I, too will praise him with a new song.

Hail, wind, and rain, loud blowing snowstorms,
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Flowers and trees, loud rustling dry leaves,
Sing to the Lord a new song!
He has done marvelous things.
I, too will praise him with a new song.

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 CHILDREN'S HOMILY

DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS:

tune: *Lasst uns erfreuen*

After the Doxology, the Pre-School class processes out for Sunday School.

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,

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

Leader God of wisdom,
People **Awaken our zeal to care for your creation.**

Leader God of healing and reconciliation,
People **Teach us to be better friends and stewards.**

Leader God of growth,
People **Help us to cultivate care and respect for all living beings.**

Leader We remember those who have died,
People **And give thanks that you bring life out of death.**

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

Silesian Folk Tune

St. Mary's Youth Choir

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!

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.**

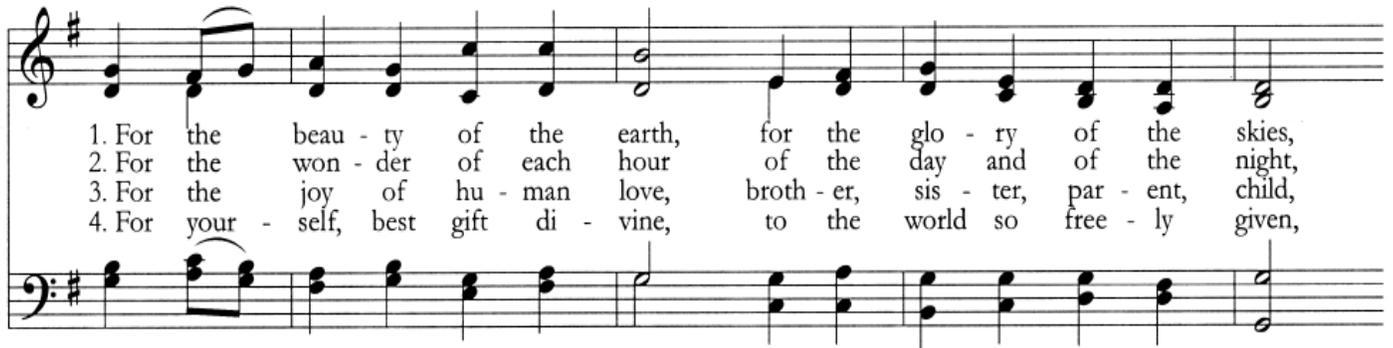
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THE BLESSING

CHURCH SCHOOL RECESSIONAL For the beauty of the earth

verses 1 & 2

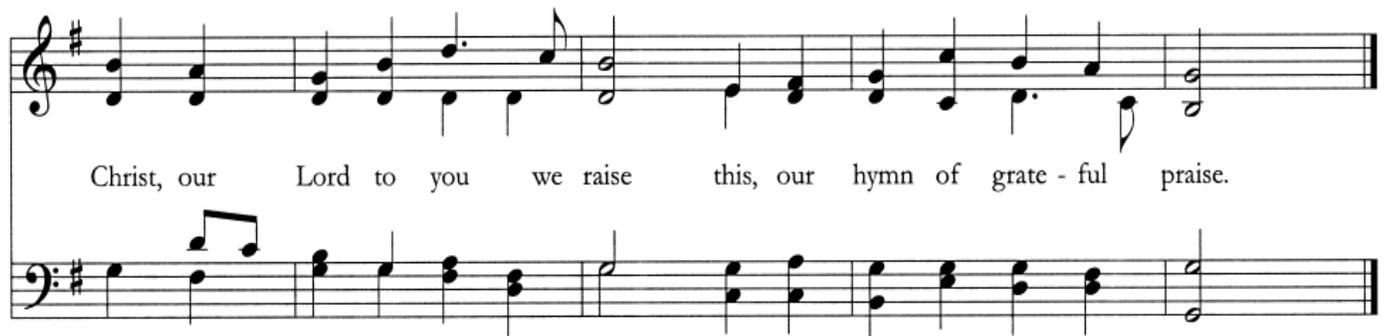
During the Recessional, Kindergarten through Confirmation classes process out for Sunday School



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: Follitt S. Pierpoint, 1864
Music: Conrad Kocher, 1839; Adapt; William H. Monk, 1861

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Deborah White

RECESSIONAL HYMN

For the beauty of the earth
verses 3 & 4

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in C-Major
BWV 553

J.S. Bach

*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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