ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 7th, 2023 10:30am Holy Eucharist

The crèche (nursery) is attended and available for babies and toddlers.

Lay Anointing and Prayers for Healing are available after communion when lay anointers are present.

Prelude: O Worship the King

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God.

Processional Hymn: #237 Now the Green Blade Rises

PLEASE STAND

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain, wheat that in dark earth many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been; love is come again like wheat arising green.

In the grave they laid him, Love by hatred slain, thinking that he would never wake again, Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen; love is come again like wheat arising green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain, he that for three days in the grave had lain; Raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen; love is come again like wheat arising green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, your touch can call us back to life again, Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been; love is come again like wheat arising green.

The Easter Greeting

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!

Presider: May his grace and peace be with you!

People: May he fill our hearts with joy!

Song of Praise: Gloria & Fanfare (*Tune: Easter Hymn*)

Glory be to God, we sing, Alleluia! Peace on earth to all you bring; Alleluia! Worship, thanks and glory be, Alleluia! To our God eternally, Alleluia!

Lamb of God, to you we pray, Alleluia! Hear and take our sins away; Alleluia! You are seated high above, Alleluia! Hear our prayer, O Lord of love. Alleluia!

Glory to the Holy One, Alleluia! You Most High upon your throne; Alleluia! Jesus Christ the risen Lord, Alleluia! And the Spirit we adore. Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in scripture

First Reading: Acts 7:55-60 PLEASE BE SEATED

A Reading from the Book of Acts.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Reader: The word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 PLEASE REMAIN SEATED



- 1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; † let me **nev**-| er be put | to shame; * deliver me in your **righ**-teous-nëss.
- 2 In-cline | your ear | to me; * make haste to de- | li-ver | më.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag **and** my strong-hold; * for the sake of your Name, lead me **and** guide më.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have **se**-| cret-ly set | for me, * for you are my tow-**er** of strëngth.
- 5 Into your hands I com-**mend** my spi-rit, * for you have redeemed me, O Lord, **O** | God of | trüth.
- 15 My **times** | are in | your hand; * rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who per-**se**-cute më.
- 16 Make your face to shine up-on your ser-vant, * and in your loving-kind-ness save më.

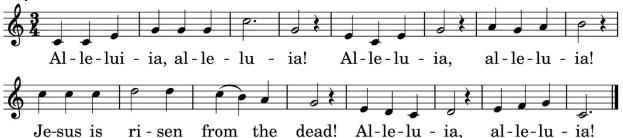
Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Reader: The word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)



The Holy Gospel: John 14:1-14

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: (sung) Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

People: (sung) Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ! Alleluia, alleluia!

Homily: Fr. Michelle

(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)

The Apostles' Creed

Presider: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his

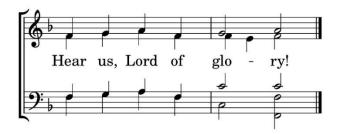
only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Presider: Having reaffirmed our faith, let us prepare to offer our prayers to God.

The presider offers particular intentions for prayer before singing the litany.

Leader: In joy and hope let us pray to the source of all life, singing, "Hear us, Lord of glory!"



The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People: And also with you!

(We encourage you to share peace with those around you as you are comfortable.)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

Hymn: CP #321 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all; Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

Hail him, the heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call, The God incarnate, life divine, and crown him Lord of all; The God incarnate, life divine, and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, you martyrs of your God, who from his altar call; Praise him whose burning path you trod, and crown him Lord of all; Praise him whose burning path you trod, and crown him Lord of all.

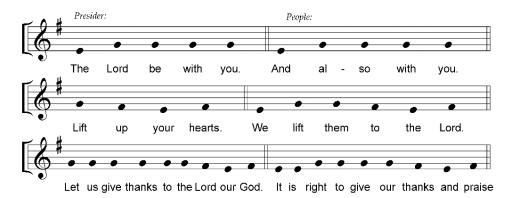
Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall, Go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all; Go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.

Let every tongue and every tribe, delivered from the fall, To Christ all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all; To Christ all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

O that, with heaven's sacred throng, we at his feet may fall, Lift high the universal song, and crown him Lord of all; Lift high the universal song, and crown him Lord of all! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer Over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer 3



The Presiding Celebrant will begin the Eucharistic Prayer by either singing or saying the preface to the prayer.

The preface will conclude with the words "to proclaim the glory of your name."

We then sing verses 1-2 of the Sanctus as follows:



The Presiding Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer. After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice, we sing verse 3 of the Sanctus:

People: (verse 3) Glory to you, O Lord; glory for evermore!

Glory, glory, glory to you!

Presider: Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All: we remember his death,

we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

The Presiding Celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer, and at the elevation of the bread and cup, we sing verse 4 of the Sanctus:

People: (verse 4) Glory to you, O Lord; glory for evermore!

Amen, amen, amen!

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,



All Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,

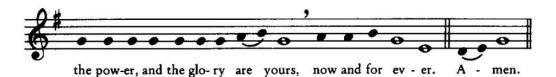


your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread,



For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us.





The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

Presider: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Presider: Live in us, that we may live in you.

Song for the Breaking of Bread



URSULA & DIETER TRAUTWEIN (ARR.)

Choir: The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion in the body of Christ.

One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread.

People: Be known to us, Lord Jesus . . .

Choir: All who eat of this bread, alleluia, will live for evermore.

This is the true bread, alleluia, which has come to us from heav'n.

People: Be known to us, Lord Jesus . . .

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Communion PLEASE BE SEATED

All are welcome to come forward, including children and infants. Those who are baptised may receive holy communion. Those who do not take communion are welcome to receive a blessing. Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate this to the priest.

If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your hands over your chest when you are presented with the chalice. Dipping the bread in the chalice is not permitted. Receiving in one kind is considered full participation in the sacrament.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

All are welcome to receive Lay Anointing and Prayers for Healing when lay anointers are present. If you wish to receive anointing, please go to the Lady Altar and/or Book of Remembrance after partaking in communion. Please state your name and your prayer request, if desired, to the anointer.

Music During Communion

Communion Hymn: #62 Come, Let Us Eat

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread. (repeat)

Our Lord's body let us take together. (repeat)

Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured. (repeat) Jesus' blood poured let us drink together. (repeat)

In his presence now we meet and rest. (repeat)

In the presence of our Lord we gather. (repeat)

Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word. (repeat) Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom. (repeat)

Anthem: Fairest Lord Jesus arr. M. How

Prayer after Communion

PLEASE STAND

Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,

People: whose power working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from

generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, forever and ever. Amen.

Easter Blessing

Presider: May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his

Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. Alleluia!

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us into newness of life, make you holy and

worthy to be united with Christ forever. Alleluia!

May God who has brought us out of bondage into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring

you to your eternal inheritance. Alleluia!

Presider:

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain

with you always. Amen.

Recessional Hymn: #450 You Call Us, Lord, to Be

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

You call us, Lord, to be a people set apart,

to feel with thoughtful mind and think with tender heart.

Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask

for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to care for self and neighbour too, to take the risk, and dare to show what love can do. Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to be good stewards of the earth; to tend it as a place of blessedness and worth.

Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to serve: to die that we may live, to know we best receive when joyfully we give.
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

Dismissal

Postlude: Thanks Be to Thee G.F. Handel

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