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CHRIST CHURCH DUBLIN



THE CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST

SUNDAY 2 MAY 2021
THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

11.00

PREACHER: THE REVD CANON ADRIENNE GALLIGAN

SETTING: COMMUNION SERVICE IN BB, CV STANFORD (1852-1924)
SUNG BY THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR

The Gathering of God's People Processional Hymn



Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
Sing to God a hymn of gladness,
Sing to God a hymn of praise;
He who on the Cross a victim
For the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
Now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits
Of the golden harvest-field;
Which will all its full abundance
At his second coming yield;
Then the golden ears of harvest
Will their heads before him wave,
Ripened by his glorious sunshine
From the furrows of the grave.

Christ is risen, we are risen;
Shed upon us heavenly grace,
Rain, and dew, and gleams of glory
From the brightness of thy face;
That we, Lord, with hearts in heaven,
Here on earth may fruitful be;
And by angel-hands be gathered,
And be ever, Lord, with thee.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glory be to God on high;
To the Father and the Saviour,
Who has gained the victory;
Alleluia! to the Spirit,
Fount of love and sanctity;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
To the Triune Majesty!

Tune: Lux Eoi

Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842-1900)

Christopher Wordsworth (1807-85)

The Greeting

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

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

The Call to Penitence

Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

cf 1 Corinthians 5.7,8

Kyrie (*sung by the choir*)

Kyrie eleison; Christe eleison; Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

The priest pronounces the Absolution:

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you,
† pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in
all goodness, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gloria *(sung by the choir)*

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men.

Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.

We give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ;

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us

Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus altissimus,

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ,

Jesu Christe, cum sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

With the Holy Spirit art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: Grant
that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with
him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour,
glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

Please sit

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

The First Reading

Acts 8: 26-40

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.'

The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 22: 25-31

My praise is of thee in the great congregation: my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him. The poor shall eat and be satisfied: they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever. All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him. For the kingdom is the Lord's: and he is the Governor among the people. All such as be fat upon

earth: have eaten and worshipped. All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him: and no man hath quickened his own soul. My seed shall serve him: they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation. They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness: unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

The Second Reading

1 John 4: 7-21

A reading from the first letter of John:

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Acclamation

The choir sings

Alleluia

I am the first and the last says the Lord, I am the living one.

I was dead and behold I am alive for evermore.

Alleluia

The Gospel Reading

John 15: 1-8

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John.

The choir sings

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

All turn to face the reader

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes* to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed* by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

The choir sings

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

please stand

**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 by the Holy Spirit of 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.**

The Prayers of the People

All sit or kneel

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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

please stand

The Peace

The priest introduces the peace with these words

Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be called children of God.

We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.

cf Matthew 5.19

The priest says

The peace of the Lord be always with you

and also with you.

Those present may offer one another a sign of peace.

Celebrating at the Lord's Table

Offertory Motet

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest is the man that trusteth in him.

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Psalm 34 v.8

The Preparation of the Altar

at the taking of the bread and wine the priest says

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us;

nourish your people with the word of life, and the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Taking of the Bread and Wine

the priest says

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us:

therefore let us celebrate the feast.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

and also with you

Lift up your hearts.

we lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

it is right to give our thanks and praise.

Father, almighty and everliving God,

at all times and in all places it is right to give you thanks and praise:

And so with all your people,

with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven,

we proclaim your great and glorious name,

for ever praising you and saying:

The choir sings

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.

heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed are you, Father,

All remain standing

the creator and sustainer of all things;

you made us in your own image,

male and female you created us;

even when we turned away from you,

you never ceased to care for us,

but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin,

giving your only begotten Son to become man

and suffer death on the cross to redeem us:

he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice

for the sins of the whole world:

he instituted,

and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue,

a perpetual memory of his precious death

until he comes again.

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread;

and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it,

and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat,

this is my body which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup;

and when he had given thanks to you,

he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you,

for 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.

The choir sings

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts,
grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit
that we may be made one in your holy Church
and partakers of the body and blood of your Son,
that he may dwell in us and we in him:
Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
**all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us we are bold to say
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. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The priest breaks the consecrated bread for communion and says
The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.
We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The Communion

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God, who has taken away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Please sit while the choir sings

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The Great Silence

The silence is broken by the post-communion prayer.

Going Out as God's People

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, in word and sacrament
we proclaim your truth in Jesus Christ and share his life.
In his strength may we ever walk in his way,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Postcommunion Hymn



Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown;
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every waiting heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

The Blessing & Dismissal

The priest blesses the people with these words

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,
raise you up to walk with him in the newness of his risen life;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia.
In the name of Christ. Alleluia.

Organ Voluntary

Fuga from Sonata II Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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