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CHRIST CHURCH DUBLIN



THE CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST

SUNDAY 14 APRIL 2024
THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

11.00

PREACHER: THE PRECENTOR

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Introit

Author of life dive,
Who hast a table spread,
Furnished with mystic wine
And everlasting bread,
Preserve the life thyself hast given,
And feed and train us up for heaven.

Our needy souls sustain
With fresh supplies of love,
Till all thy life we gain,
And all thy fulness prove,
And strengthened with thy perfect grace,
Behold without a veil thy face.

John Edwards (1805-1885)

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

The Gathering of God's People Processional Hymn



Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Sion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken
Formed thee for his own abode:
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove:
Who can faint, while such a river
Ever flows their thirst to assuage?
Grace, which like the Lord the giver,
Never fails from age to age.

Saviour, if of Sion's city
I through grace a member am,
Let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in thy name:
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,
All his boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasure
None but Sion's children know.

Franz Cyril Taylor (1907-1991)

John Newton (1725–1807)

The Greeting

In the name of the † Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen** Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all, **and also with you.**

The Call to Penitence

Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God. Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is evil and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

cf Romans 6:10

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.

Amen

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

Almighty Father,

who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples

with the sight of the risen Lord:

Give us such knowledge of his presence with us,

that we may be strengthened

and sustained by his risen life

and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen. Please sit

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

The First Reading

Micah 4: 1-5

A reading from the book of the prophet Micah.

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken.

For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness:

thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble;

have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.

O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour:

and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing?

Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man that is godly: when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

Stand in awe, and sin not:

commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.

Offer the sacrifice of righteousness:

and put your trust in the Lord.

There be many that say:

Who will shew us any good?

Lord, lift thou up:

the light of thy countenance upon us.

Thou hast put gladness in my heart:

since the time that their corn and wine and oil increased.

I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest:

for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

The Second Reading

Acts 3: 12-19

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Acclamation

Please stand for the Gospel Procession as the Acclamation is sung by the choir

The Gospel Reading

Luke 23: 36b-48

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

Response



All turn to face the reader

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Response



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

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.

Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

Colossians 3: 14,15

The priest says

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

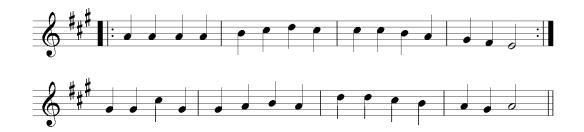
Those present may offer one another a sign of peace.

Celebrating at the Lord's Table

A collection is taken at this point. Card donations are accepted at the Welcome Desk following the service.

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To the Name that brings salvation Praise and honour let us pay; Which for many a generation Hid in God's foreknowledge lay, But to every tongue and nation Holy Church proclaims today.

Jesus — be that Name our treasure, Name beyond that words can tell; Name of gladness, Name of pleasure, Ear and heart delighting well; Name of sweetness passing measure, Freeing souls from sin's dark spell.

Name that calls for adoration, Name that speaks of victory, Name for grateful meditation In the vale of misery, Name for loving veneration By the citizens on high.

Name that whosoever preaches Makes sweet music to the ear; Who in prayer this Name beseeches Finds divinest comfort near; Joyful then the heart that reaches To embrace that Name so dear.

Jesu, we thy Name adoring Long to see thee as thou art, Of thy clemency imploring So to write it in our heart, That hereafter, upward soaring, We with angels may have part.

Tune: Oriel from Caspar Ett's *Cantica Sacra* Munich, 1840

Latin, 15th cent. trans. John M. Neale (1818–66)

The Preparation of the Altar

Creator of all, you wash away our sins, you give us new birth by the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ.

As we celebrate the resurrection, renew your gift of life within us.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. 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.

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, 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!

All remain standing

Blessed are you, Father,
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:

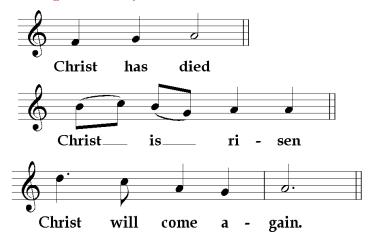
he instituted, and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

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 and all repeat each line



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.

Guided by the vergers, the people come forward to receive communion. Wherever you are from and whatever you believe you are welcome to receive at the table of the Lord. If you require a gluten free wafer please indicate this to the priest.

Communion Motet

Ego sum panis vivus,

I am the living bread,

Patres vestri manducaverunt manna in deserto, et mortui sunt.

Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead.

Hic est panis de coelo descendens:

This is the bread which cometh down from heaven:

si quis ex ipso manducaverit, non morietur.

that a man may eat thereof, and not die.

GP da Palestrina (1525-1594)

John 6

The Great Silence

The silence is broken by the post-communion prayer.

Going Out as God's People

Prayer after Communion

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread.

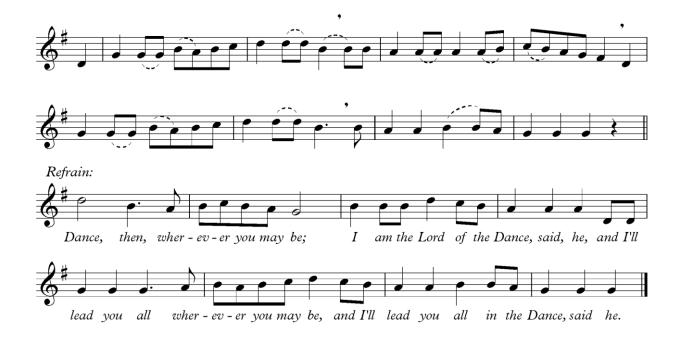
Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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.

All say:

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



I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth. At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain: Dance, then, wherever you may be ...

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
but they would not dance, and they would not follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
they came with me and the Dance went on.
Refrain: Dance, then, wherever you may be ...

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame, the holy people said it was a shame; they whipped and they stripped and they hung me high; and they left me there on a cross to die. Refrain: Dance, then, wherever you may be ...

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on your back; they buried my body and they thought I'd gone, but I am the Dance and I still go on.

Refrain: Dance, then, wherever you may be ...

They cut me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life, that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.
Refrain: Dance, then, wherever you may be ...

Words and music by Sydney Carter (b.1915)

The priest blesses the people with these words

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 with you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The priest or the deacon says or sings

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia

The choir and the people sing



Please stand for the procession of choir and clergy and sit for the

Organ Voluntary

Allegro maestoso *from* Sonata in G *Edward Elgar* (1857-1934) *which concludes the service*

Please join us in the South Transept for a cup of tea or coffee directly following the service!