

Sunday, May 15, 2022

The Fifth Sunday of Easter



Rejoice!

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN Stand

O FREEDOM

LEVAS 225

Oh, freedom! Oh, freedom,
Oh, freedom over me!
An' be fo' I'd be a slave
I'll be buried in my grave,
An' go home to my Lord an' be free.

No mo' moanin', no mo' moanin', No mo' moanin' over me! An' be fo' I'd be a slave I'll be buried in my grave, An' go home to my Lord an' be free.

No mo' weepin', no mo' weepin', no mo' weepin' over me! An' be fo' I'd be a slave I'll be buried in my grave, An' go home to my Lord an' be free.

There'll be singin', there'll be singin', there'll be singin' over me!
An' be fo' I'd be a slave
I'll be buried in my grave,
An' go home to my Lord an' be free.

There'll be shoutin', there'll be shoutin', there'll be shoutin' over me!
An' be fo' I'd be a slave
I'll be buried in my grave,
An' go home to my Lord an' be free.

There'll be prayin', there'll be prayin', there'll be prayin' over me!
An' be fo' I'd be a slave
I'll be buried in my grave,
An' go home to my Lord an' be free.

OPENING ACCLAMATIONS

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

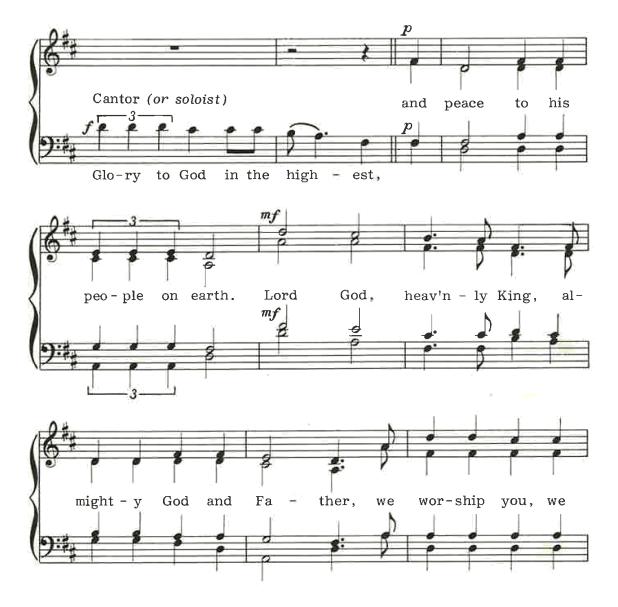
Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are

hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our heart by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may

perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

GLORIA







THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Most Blessed Jesus, the only begotten Son of God: Give us courage to live your gospel

without compromise, that your reign may be established on all the earth, both now and

to the age of ages.

People Amen.

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



- Praise the Al/mighty Praise the Exalted from the heavens; praise / her on the heights!
- 2 Praise her, all her / angels; praise her, all / her starry warriors!
- 3 Praise her, sun and / moon; praise her, / all you stars of light!
- 4 Praise her, you highest / heavens, and you waters a/bove the heavens!
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the Mighty / God, for she commanded and / they were created.
- 6 She established them forever and/ ever; she set boundaries that / cannot be crossed.
- 7 Praise the Creator of All from the / earth, sea monsters and all / watery deeps,
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and / frost, swirling wind ful/filling her word!
- 9 Mountains and all / hills, fruit / trees and all cedars!
- 13 Let them praise the Name of the Eternal, for her name alone is e/xalted; her glory is above the / earth and the heavens.

THE SECOND LESSON

Reader A reading from Book of Revelation.

21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them as their God;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



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THE GOSPEL

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

13:31-35

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON Sit

THE REV. LAURIE ANZILOTTI

THE NICENE CREED 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:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made human.

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider Siblings, let us praise the name of the Lord! The promises of God are trustworthy and true,

so let us pray, "Loving God, make all things new."

After each prayer, all say, "make all things new."

Presider Holy One, we bring our prayers to you, confident that you hear them; sure that you know

even those prayers for which we do not yet have words. And all of these come to you

through your Child, Jesus Christ, the Risen One.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

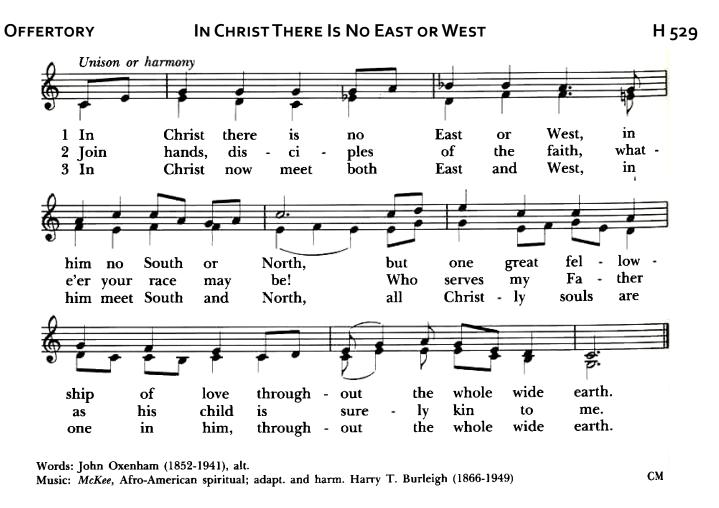
People And also with you.

We invite you to extend the peace of God to those in the congregation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Sit

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

We return with thanksgiving the gifts God has given us. This includes bread and wine of the earth and financial offerings from our labor. Representatives of the congregation bring these to the common Eucharistic table.



The following is sung as ushers present the offerings. Please stand. 10:30am only

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above you heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,

source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being:

sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters;

and every living thing. You made us in your image,

and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;

and yet, as a mother cares for her children,

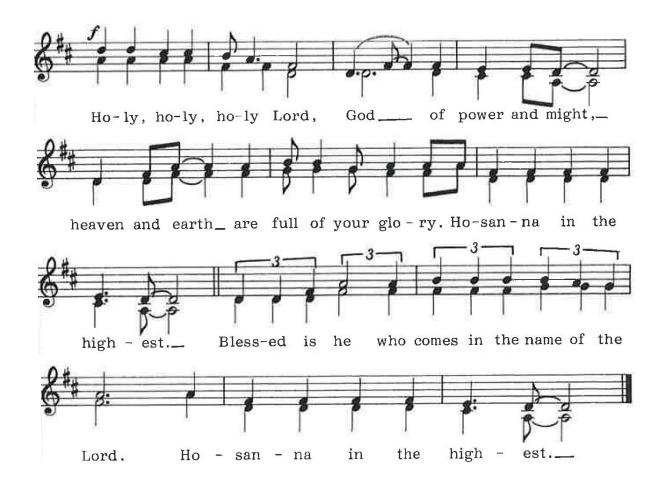
you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us

to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,

lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:



Presider

To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said:

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.

"Take, eat.

This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again, he gave thanks to you,
gave it to them, and said:
"Drink this, all of you.
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
which is poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Francis, St Clare, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

CHERYL FOSTER



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People 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,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

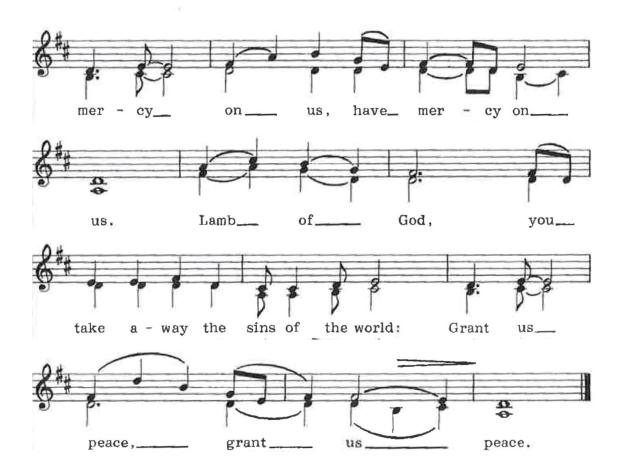
The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

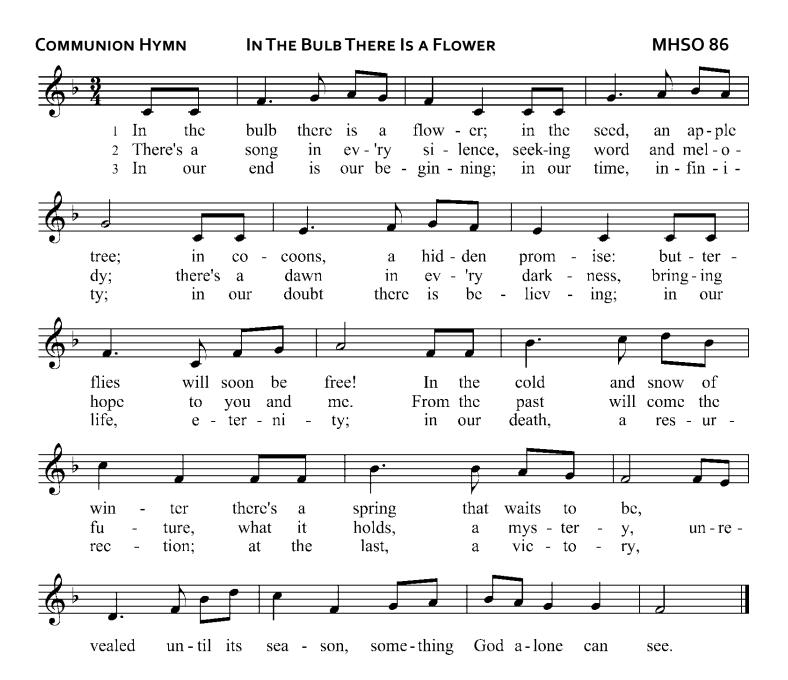
FRACTION ANTHEM





Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Our bread is gluten-, dairy- and nut-free. This Eucharistic table does not belong to the Episcopal Church or to St. Francis'. This is God's table, and all are welcome. In the Episcopal Church, we receive both the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Jesus. If you choose not to receive communion, please come forward and cross your arms over your heart to receive a blessing.



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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After all have received communion the Presider says

Presider and People

Loving God,

we give you thanks

for restoring us in your image

nourishing us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

Now send us forth

a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;

that we may proclaim your love to the world

and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior.

Amen.

BLESSING

Presider God's blessing be with you,

Christ's peace be with you,

the Spirit's outpouring be with you

now and always.

People Amen.

We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity
May one day be restored

Chorus:

And they'll know we are Christians By our love, by our love Yes, they'll know we are Christians By our love

We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
And together we'll spread the news
That God is in our land (Chorus)

We will work with each other We will work side by side We will work with each other We will work side by side And we'll guard human dignity And save human pride (Chorus)

All praise to the Father
From whom all things come
And all praise to
Christ Jesus His only Son
And all praise to
The Spirit who makes us one (Chorus)

DISMISSAL

Presider Share the love of the risen Christ with the world and go in peace to love and serve the

Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People We will share the love of Christ with the world! Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!