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## Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Sung Eucharist

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGY OF THE WORD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

INVOCATION

INTROIT SENTENCE

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, but by me. JOHN 14:6

THE GRACE

(STAND)

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Celebrant: May his grace and peace be with you.

**All: May he fill our hearts with joy.**

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

*Silence is kept.*

KYRIE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

(KNEEL OR SIT)

*Please say or sing the KYRIE ELEISON after each of the three petitions.*

**Kyrie Eleison. Christe Eleison. Kyrie Eleison.** (MERBECKE: CP 678/HB C177)  
*or*

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

GLORIA

(STAND)

Celebrant: Glory be to God on high, (MERBECKE: CP 679)

**All: and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory, O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takes away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. You that takes away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. You that sits at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.**

**For you only are holy; you only are the Lord; you only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

THE COLLECT

(STAND)

*Silence is kept.*

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

(SIT)

*After each reading, except the psalm, the reader says "The Word of the Lord" and all respond: **Thanks be to God.***

FIRST READING—1<sup>ST</sup> READER

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. ACTS 7:55-60

PSALM—1<sup>ST</sup> READER

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.

**Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.**

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

**Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, for you are my tower of strength.**

Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

**"My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my**

**enemies, and from those who persecute me.**

Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving kindness save me." PSALM 31:1-5, 15, 16

SECOND READING—2<sup>ND</sup> READER

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. 1 PETER 2:2-10

GOSPEL

(STAND)

Gospeller: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

(CP: 708)

**All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Gospeller: I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore. CF. REVELATION 1:17, 18

**All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Gospeller: The Lord be with you. (TONE - BAS P.920 OR CP: 718)

**All: And also with you.**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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."

JOHN 14:1-14

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

SERMON (SIT)

THE NICENE CREED – BAS p.188 (STAND)

Celebrant: We believe in one God,

**All: 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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 (KNEEL OR SIT)  
*The response will be announced.*

THE PEACE (STAND)

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN

Eucharistic Prayer III – BAS p.198 (REMAIN STANDING)

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

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**

SURSUM CORDA (MUSIC - BAS P.921)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

THE PREFACE

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS (MERBECKE: CP 683/HB C177)

**All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Glory be to you, O Lord most high.  
Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord:  
Hosanna in the highest.**

THE EUCHARISTIC CANON (KNEEL OR STAND)

*Response to: "Therefore, Father, according to his command" is: we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory; & at the end of the Eucharistic Prayer: Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray. Our Father in heaven,

**All: 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 SENTENCE

*Silence is kept.*

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

**All: Now we are raised to new life.**

Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

**All: Now we share in your resurrection.**

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

AGNUS DEI (MERBECKE: CP 685/HB C177)

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Grant us your peace.**

COMMUNION SENTENCE (KNEEL OR SIT)

Celebrant: Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (KNEEL OR SIT)

*Silence is kept.*

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Amen**

SOLEMN BLESSING FOR EASTER (KNEEL)

RECESSIONAL HYMN

DISMISSAL (REMAIN STANDING)

He is not here. He is risen. Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**