



The Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

With God's help, we the people of Saint Andrew's Church seek to know and accept God's love in Jesus Christ for all people and to witness to God's love in word and action.

May 2, 2021

10:00 a.m.

Prelude Fanfare on "Abbot's Leigh"

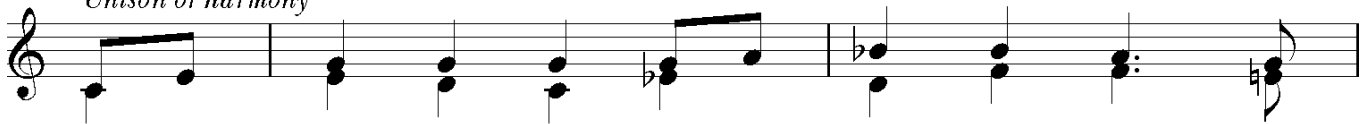
Charles Callahan (b.1951)

The Word of God

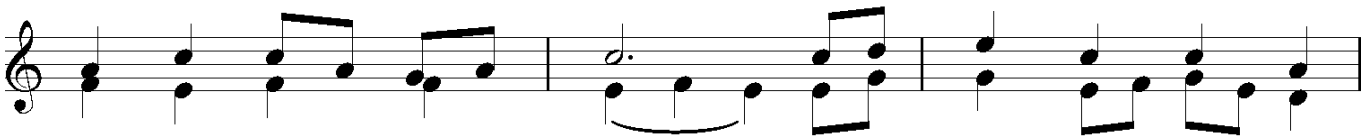
Opening Hymn 529 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

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Unison or harmony



1	In	Christ	there	is	no	East	or	West,	in
2	Join	hands,	dis -	ci -	ples	of	the	faith,	what -
3	In	Christ	now	meet	both	East	and	West,	in



him	no	South	or	North,	but	one	great	fel -	low -
e'er	your	race	may	be!	Who	serves	my	Fa -	ther
him	meet	South	and	North,	all	Christ -	ly	souls	are



ship	of	love	through	-	out	the	whole	wide	earth.
as	his	child	is	sure	-	ly	kin	to	me.
one	in	him,	through	-	out	the	whole	wide	earth.

Priest: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

The Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Glory to God

Hymnal S278

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day: Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading: *Acts 8:26-40*

Reader: Anthony Grillo

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward 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

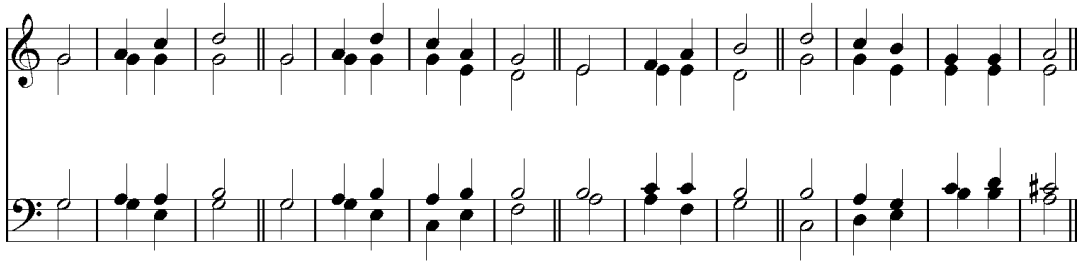
rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22:24-30 *Deus, Deus meus*

Hymnal S285



24 My praise is of him in the¹great as¹sembly; *
I will perform my vows in the¹presence of¹those who¹worship him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the¹LORD shall¹praise him: *
"May your¹heärt¹live for¹ever!"

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and¹turn to the¹LORD, *
and all the families of the¹nations shall¹bow be¹fore him.

27 For kingship be¹longs to the¹LORD; *
he¹rüles¹over the¹nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow¹down in¹worship; *
all who go down to the¹düst¹fall be¹fore him.

29 My soul shall live for him;
my des¹cendants shall¹serve him; *
they shall be¹known as the¹LORD's for¹ever.

†30 They shall come and make known to a¹people yet un¹born *
the saving¹deeds that¹he has¹done.

The Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-21

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 Savior 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 judgment, 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: *John 15:1-8*

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. 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."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Jeffrey A. Packard

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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 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.
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, Form III

BCP 387

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Leader: Let us pray for the church and for the world.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

We pray for our companion parish, St. John's, Bellefonte.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. John the Baptist Church, York.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael; for our Bishop, Audrey; for our priest, Jeffrey; for our deacon, Joe, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for those who will make or renew a mature commitment to their faith through confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation through Bishop Scanlan's prayer and laying on of hands on May 12;

For those being confirmed: Madeleine Christopher, Elisa Edgar, Marlee Kwasnica, Duncan Loviscky, Kaleigh McGarry, Simon Murphy, Ainsley Paulsen, Charlotte Wunz, and Michele Diaz; for those being received into the Episcopal Church: Gregg Rogers, Lucy Rogers, and Linda Jordan; and for those reaffirming their faith: James LeBreton.

That God may strengthen the work of the Holy Spirit in them for his daily increase in their Christian life and ministry.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; Joseph, our President, Tom, our Governor, and all our elected and appointed leaders.

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Give to the departed eternal rest,

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Priest: Almighty Father, who gave your only Son to die for our sins and to rise for our justification: Give us grace so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Priest and People

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

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The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Anthem “Earth and All Stars” David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

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Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Then the Priest continues.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Priest and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Priest continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

Priest: 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

Priest: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Communion of the Faithful

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. *(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)*

Postcommunion Prayer

Priest: Let us pray.

People: **Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Easter Blessing

Hymn 47

“On This Day, the First of Days”

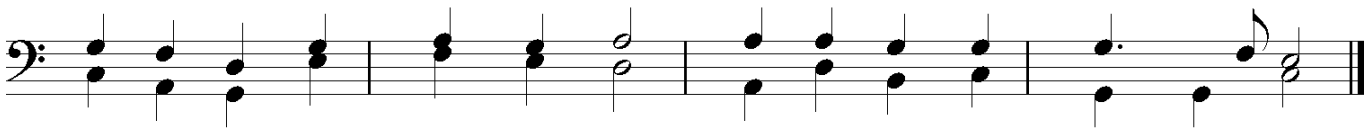
Gott sei Dank



1 On this day, the first of days, God the Fa - ther's Name we praise,
2 On this day the e - ter - nal Son o - ver death his tri - umph won;
3 Ma - ker, who didst fa - shion me im - age of thy - self to be,
4 Ho - ly Je - sus, may I be dead and bur - ied here with thee;
5 Thou, who dost all gifts im - part, shine, blest Spi - rit, in my heart;



1 who, cre - a - tion's Lord and spring, did the world from dark - ness bring.
2 on this day the Spi - rit came with his gifts of liv - ing flame.
3 fill me with thy love di - vine, let my ev - ery thought be thine.
4 and, by love in - flamed, a - rise un - to thee a sac - ri - fice.
5 best of gifts, thy - self be - stow; make me burn thy love to know.



6 God, the blessed Three in One,
dwell within my heart alone;
thou dost give thyself to me:
help me give myself to thee.

Dismissal

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Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.****Postlude** "Spread, O Spread, Thou Mighty Word" Robert J. Powell (b.1932)

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Welcome to St. Andrew's

We are a community of faith, seeking "to promote charity, which is the chief of Christian graces," and we welcome all persons, regardless of race, ethnic background, gender identity, sexual orientation, capability, or circumstances of life.

Those for Whom We Pray

Teri, Dick, Molly, Sandy, Mavis, Don, Joan, Jane, Sandy, Denise, Kevin, Diane, Sara, Emily, David, Robbie, Vicki, Frank, Stu, Barbara, Mavis, Michael, Stephanie, Tom, Mark, Gernilee, Carolyn, Anthony, Myong Oh

Those in the Armed Forces and First Responders

Zach, Christie, Sean

Our Companion Parish

St. John's, Bellefonte

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

St. John the Baptist Church, York

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East