

Alleluía!

Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia! The Fifth Sunday of Easter May 10, 2020

Online Worship

Opening Hymn

Christ is made the sure foundation

Hymnal #518

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, Chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the church in one; Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.

Opening Acclamation: Alleluia. Christ is risen. **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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.**

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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most
High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

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 Lesson: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles [7:55-60]

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.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16: In te, Domine, speravi

You may read the psalm together, or you may take turns alternating between the plain and bold text.

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; *

deliver me in your righteousness.

- 2 Incline your ear to me; * make haste to deliver me.
- 3 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.

- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, * **for you are my tower of strength.** 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
 - for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

15 My times are in your hand; *

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me. 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, * and in your loving-kindness save me."

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to John [14:1-14] Glory to you Lord 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."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Prayers of the People

Members of each household may take turns reading these prayers.

In thanksgiving and praise for the beauty and abundance of our universe, let us pray to our gracious God, whose breath gives life to the world and whose voice is heard in the wind . . .

With thanksgiving for the gift of new life, and in hope that our risen Savior may fill us with the joy of his glorious and life-giving resurrection.

Let us pray to our Creator in Christ our Risen Savior

In thanksgiving for the gift of the Good News, and in hope that the church may find new life in the joyful mystery of the resurrection, especially through the leadership of our Presiding Bishop Michael and our Bishop Douglas, our Interim Priest Judith, and all bishops, priests and deacons.

Let us pray to our Creator in Christ our Risen Savior

In thanksgiving for the gift of this community and in hope that God may strengthen our bonds even while we must be apart, and guide us in preparing to call a new Rector

Let us pray to our Creator in Christ our Risen Savior

In thanksgiving for the abundance we enjoy with our families and friends, and in hope that he may provide for those who are isolated and have lost their jobs and income.

Let us pray to our Creator in Christ our Risen Savior

In thanksgiving for our mothers, stepmothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, and all the women who have guided us with wisdom, gentleness, and courage, that we may respond to the needs of mothers who are struggling.

Let us pray to our Creator in Christ our Risen Savior

In thanksgiving for our freedom and in hope that by his power, we may know how to respond to disease and famine through all the world,

Let us pray to our Creator in Christ our Risen Savior

In thanksgiving for our health and in hope that he may reveal the light of his presence to comfort and strengthen those who are weak in body and soul, especially to those for whom Mother's Day is difficult and to the victims of COVID-19 and their families and caregivers, and to those we name silently or aloud *Pause*

Let us pray to our Creator in Christ our Risen Savior

In thanksgiving for the gift of eternal life, and in hope that he may enfold in his joyful presence those who have died, especially our mothers and children, those who have died alone and those we name silently or aloud, *Pause* Let us pray to our Creatorin Christ our Risen Savior

In thanksgiving for the gift of faith, and in hope that God may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection,

Let us pray to our Creator in Christ our Risen Savior

Collect:

O God, worker of wonders, you made this day for joy and gladness. Let the risen Lord abide with us always, set our hearts on fire, and open our eyes, so that we may see him at our tables, the Christ now entered into glory, firstborn from the dead. **Amen**

Offertory Hymn: Come my Way Hymnal #487

Come my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all strife; and such a life as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a light as shows a feast; Such a feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a joy as none can move; such a love as none can part; such a heart as joys in love.

Holy Communion

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We have lifted them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

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

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and to give himself for us. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. On the night before

he died for us, Jesus was at the table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. As you do this, remember me. As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, he gave thanks, 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, remember me.

Gathered in our own homes, as your children, we are made one body in Jesus Christ, Who came in love, lived in love, and died in love, who was and is and is to come. We share in offering our gifts of bread and wine, and we offer to you our lives—all that we are, have been, and will become. Pour out your Spirit upon this offering, that it may draw us together in one Spirit. 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. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, The Lord's Prayer

As the Priest breaks the consecrated bread, participants break their bread at home and say: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for in Christ we all share in the one bread, one cup All share the bread and wine.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Christ, you are risen with the sun; you are light in our darkness. May we find our true place in your living body. May the new covenant through us bring healing and reconciliation to this wounded world. Alleluia! You are risen. We are risen with you. Praise and glory to the living God. Amen.

Blessing:

May the Spirit of God, who is above all and in all and through all, fill you with the knowledge of God's presence on Earth and the living Christ within you. And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

The Church's one foundation

Hymnal #525

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation, by water and the word: from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!