

St. Peter's Anglican Church Loveland, CO

HOLY EUCHARIST

Sunday After The Ascension

WELCOME IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST



May 21, 2023

Announcements

Processional: Hail Thee Festival Day – H- # 152

Refrain:

Hail thee festival day! Blest day that art hallowed forever. Day when the Christ ascends, High in the heavens to reign.

He who was nailed to the cross Is Lord and the ruler of all men; All things created on earth

Sing to the glory of God; (Refrain)

Daily the loveliness grows, Adorned with the glory of blossom;

Heaven her gates unbars,

Flinging her increase of light; (Refrain)

God the All Father, the Lord,

Who rulest the earth and the heavens,

Guard us from harm without,

Cleanse us from evil within; (Refrain)

Jesus the health of the world,

Enlighten our minds,

Thou Redeemer,

Son of the Father supreme,

Only begotten of God; (Refrain)

Spirit of life and of pow'r,

Now flow in us, fount of our being,

Light that dost lighten all,

Life that in all dost abide; (Refrain)

Praise to the Giver of good!

Thou Love who art author of concord,

Pour out thy balm on our souls,

Order our ways in thy peace; (Refrain)

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

All: 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.

Deacon/Priest: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. - *Matthew* 22:37-40

The Kyrie

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Pascha Nostrum

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us; Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast; Forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth. *Alleluia*. *Alleluia!*

Now Christ is raised and will not die again; Death has no more dominion over him; Through him we die to sin and live to God. *Alleluia*. *Alleluia!*

In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead: Though Adam's sin had doomed all flesh to die, In Christ's new life shall all be made alive. *Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Collect for the Day

Celebrant: O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

(The people may sit.)

The First Lesson: Ezekiel 39: 21-29

21 "And I will set my glory among the nations, and all the nations shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid on them. 22 The house of Israel shall know that I am the Lord their God, from that day forward. 23 And the nations shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity, because they dealt so treacherously with me that I hid my face from them and gave them into the hand of their adversaries, and they all fell by the sword. 24 I dealt with them according to their uncleanness and their

transgressions, and hid my face from them. 25 "Therefore thus says the Lord God: Now I will restore the fortunes of Jacob and have mercy on the whole house of Israel, and I will be jealous for my holy name. 26 They shall forget their shame and all the treachery they have practiced against me, when they dwell securely in their land with none to make them afraid, 27 when I have brought them back from the peoples and gathered them from their enemies' lands, and through them have vindicated my holiness in the sight of many nations. 28 Then they shall know that I am the Lord their God, because I sent them into exile among the nations and then assembled them into their own land. I will leave none of them remaining among the nations anymore. 29 And I will not hide my face anymore from them, when I pour out my Spirit upon the house of Israel, declares the Lord God."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 47 *Omnes gentes, plaudite*

O cry aloud unto God / with shouts of joy.

For the Lord Most High is to be feared; *
he is the great King / ov-er all the earth.

He shall subdue the peoples under us, *
and the nations / un-der our feet.

He shall choose our inheritance for us, *
the pride of / Ja-cob whom he loved.

God has gone up with a shout of tri-umph, *
the Lord with the sound / of the trum-pet.

O sing praises, sing praises unto our God; *
O sing praises, sing praises / un-to our King.

For God is the King of all the earth; *
think upon his mighty acts and / praise him with a song.

God reigns over the na-tions; *

God sits / on his **ho**-ly throne.

9 The princes of the peoples are so

9 The princes of the peoples are gathered with the people of the God of **A**-braham; *

for the mighty upon earth have become the servants of the Lord, and he is very high-/ ly ex-al-ted.

All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and/ to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for/ever A-men.

The Second Lesson: 1 Peter 4: 12-19

12 Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. 13 But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. 14 If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. 15 But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. 16 Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. 17 For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? 18 And "If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" 19 Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able.)

Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem – Hymn # 130 (V. 1-3)

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, Your sweetest notes employ, The paschal victory to hymn In strains of holy joy.

For Judah's Lion bursts his chains To crush the serpent's head, And cries aloud through death's domains To wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey At his command restore; His ransomed hosts pursue their way Where Jesus goes before.

Deacon or Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus

Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel: John 17: 1-11

1 When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, 2 since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. 3 And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. 4 I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. 5 And now, Father, glorify me in your own

presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. 6 "I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. 7 Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. 8 For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. 9 I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. 10 All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. 11 And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one."

Deacon or Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem – Hymn # 130 (V. 4-5)

Triumphant in his glory now, To him all pow'r is giv'n; To him in one communion bow All saints in earth and heav'n.

All glory to the Father be, All glory to the Son, All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee, While endless ages run.

The Sermon

Deacon or Priest: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the onlybegotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and 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 worshiped 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.

(Please kneel, stand, or sit as you are able.)

Prayers of the People

Deacon or Priest: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

Intercessor: For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For our Archbishop, Dr. Foley Beach; for our Bishop, Dr. Bill Atwood; for our Rector, Father Matt Rucker, and for our assisting clergy: Father Bill Easterling, and Deacon Larry Doyle.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others including those we serve in our Outreach Programs, naming especially Zeteo Missions, Denver Rescue Mission, and Harvest Farm.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially our President, Joseph, and our Governor, Jared. Give them a

discerning heart and a wise mind to lead and serve as God desires. We also pray for those in our armed forces serving our country both home and abroad.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For all the blessings of this life and for the many reasons we have to give thanksgiving, especially for those celebrating *Birthdays: Sophia Maeda* (05/22), *Sophie Maeda* (05/28).

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

(Additional petitions may be made during this moment of silence.)

Deacon or Priest: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**.

Deacon or Priest: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

All: 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.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all

those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his onlybegotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

I Timothy 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

I John 2:1-2

(Please stand as you are able.)

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And with your spirit.

The Offering

"Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God".

Ephesians 5:2

(Please stand as you are able.)

Offertory: See the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph H-#150

See the Conqu'ror mounts in triumph; See the King in royal state, Riding on the clouds, his chariot, To his heav'nly palace gate. Hark! the choirs of angel voices Joyful alleluias sing, And the portals high are lifted To receive their heav'nly King

He who on the cross did suffer, He who from the grave arose, He has vanquished sin and Satan; He by death has spoiled his foes. While he lifts his hands in blessing, He is parted from his friends; While their eager eyes behold him, He up on the clouds ascends. Now our heav'nly Aaron enters, With his blood, within the veil; Joshua is come to Canaan, And the kings before him quail; Now he plants the tribes of Israel In their promised resting place; Now our great Elijah offers Double portion of his grace.

Thou hast raised our human nature On the clouds to God's right hand; There we sit in heav'nly places, There with thee in glory stand. Jesus reigns, adorned by angels; Man with God is on the throne; Mighty Lord, in thine ascension, We by faith behold our own.

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Celebrant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People: And of your own have we given you.

1 Chronicles 29:11, 14

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God. **People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

(*Proper Preface*) Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who after his most glorious resurrection appeared to his Apostles, and in their sight ascended into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus with Benedictus - S#779

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of hosts,

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(The people may kneel, stand, or sit)

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation.

By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, 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."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, 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: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with

all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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*.

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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, forever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. *People*: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

(Please kneel or stand as you are able.)

Prayer of Humble Access

All: We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Agnus Dei – S#780

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,

and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(You may kneel, stand, or sit during Communion.)

Communion Hymns

O Jesus Bruised and Wounded More

O Jesus, bruised and wounded more Than bursted grape, or bread of wheat, The Life of life within our souls, The Cup of our salvation sweet!

We come to show Thy dying hour, Thy streaming vein, Thy broken flesh; And still the blood is warm to save. And still the fragrant wounds are fresh.

O Heart! that with a double tide Of blood and water maketh pure, O Flesh! once offered on the cross, The gift that makes our pardon sure.

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song This Cornerstone, this solid Ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace When fears are stilled, when strivings cease My Comforter, my All in All Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied For every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Christ our Hope in Life and Death - Getty

What is our hope in life and death Christ alone Christ alone What is our only confidence That our souls to Him belong Who holds our days within His hand What comes apart from His command And what will keep us to the end The love of Christ in which we stand

Chorus

O sing hallelujah
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

What truth can calm the troubled soul
God is good God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise
Who stands above the stormy trial
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ (Chorus)

Unto the grave what will we sing
Christ He lives Christ He lives
And what reward will heaven bring
Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore

(Chorus)

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are

living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. *Amen*.

The Blessing

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Recessional: Hail The Day That Sees Him Rise - H #160

Hail the day that sees him rise – Alleluia! Glorious to his native skies; Alleluia! Christ, a while to mortals giv'n, Alleluia! Enters now the highest heav'n! Alleluia!

There the glorious triumph waits; Alleluia! Lift your heads, eternal gates! Alleluia! Wide unfold the radiant scene; Alleluia! Take the King of glory in! Alleluia!

See! he lifts his hands above; Alleluia! See! he shows the prints of love; Alleluia! Hark! his gracious lips bestow- Alleluia! Blessings on his Church below. Alleluia!

Lord beyond our mortal sight, Alleluia! Raise our hearts to reach thy heights, Alleluia! There thy face unclouded see, Alleluia! Find our heav'n of heav'ns in thee. Alleluia!

The Dismissal

Deacon or Priest: Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.