

St. Peter's Anglican Church Loveland, CO

# HOLY EUCHARIST Fifth Sunday of Easter

WELCOME IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST



April 28, 2024

#### Processional: All Creatures of Our God and King – H #372

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia, Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam,

Thou silver moon with softer gleam,

Chorus:

O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along, O praise him, Alleluia! Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice; Ye lights of evening, find a voice;	(chorus)
Thou flowing water, pure and clear, Make music for thy Lord to hear; Alleluia, Alleluia! Thou fire so beautiful and bright, That givest man both warmth and light,	(chorus)
And all ye men of tender heart, Forgiving others, take your part; O sing ye, Alleluia! Ye who both pain and sorrow bear, Praise God and on him cast your care;	(chorus)
Let all things their Creator bless, And worship him in humbleness;	

O praise him, Alleluia! Praise God the Father, God the Son, Praise God the Spirit, Three in One; (chorus)

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:* 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 glory; 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 people may sit.)

# The First Lesson: Deuteronomy 4:32-40

32 "For ask now of the days that are past, which were before you, since the day that God created man on the earth, and ask from one end of heaven to the other, whether such a great thing as this has ever happened or was ever heard of. 33 Did any people ever hear the voice of a god speaking out of the midst of the fire, as you have heard, and still live? 34 Or has any god ever attempted to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation, by trials, by signs, by wonders, and by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, and by great deeds of terror, all of which the Lord your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes? 35 To you it was shown, that you might know that the Lord is God; there is no other besides him. 36 Out of heaven

he let you hear his voice, that he might discipline you. And on earth he let you see his great fire, and you heard his words out of the midst of the fire. 37 And because he loved your fathers and chose their offspring after them and brought you out of Egypt with his own presence, by his great power, 38 driving out before you nations greater and mightier than you, to bring you in, to give you their land for an inheritance, as it is this day, 39 know therefore today, and lay it to your heart, that the Lord is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other. 40 Therefore you shall keep his statutes and his commandments, which I command you today, that it may go well with you and with your children after you, and that you may prolong your days in the land that the Lord your God is giving you for all time."

Reader:The Word of the Lord.All:Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66 Dominus regit me 1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; \* sing praises to the honor of his Name; make his praise / to be **glo**-rious. 2 Say to God, "How wonderful are your works; \* through the greatness of your power shall your enemies cow-/er be-fore you. 3 For all the world shall worship you, \* sing to you, / and praise your Name." 4 O come and see the works of **God**, \* how wonderful he is in his doing / toward all peo-ple. 5 He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on **foot**; \* therefore in/ him let us rejoice. 6 He rules with his power for ever; his eyes keep watch over the **nations**: \* let not the rebellious / ex-alt **them**-selves. 7 Bless our God, you peoples, \* and make the voice of his / praise to **be** heard, 8 Who holds our soul in life, \* and does not allow / our feet to slip. 9 For you, O God, have proved us; \* you have tried us, as / sil-ver is tried. 10 You brought us into the snare \* and laid trouble / u-pon our backs. 11 You allowed men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and wa-ter; \* but you brought us out into a / place of **plen**-ty.

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 John 3:11-24

11 For this is the message that you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. 12 We should not be like Cain, who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous. 13 Do not be surprised, brothers, that the world hates you. 14 We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. Whoever does not love abides in death. 15 Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. 16 By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. 17 But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? 18 Little children. let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. 19 By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; 20 for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. 21 Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us. we have confidence before God; 22 and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. 23 And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. 24 Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

*Reader*: The Word of the Lord. *All*: **Thanks be to God.** 

(Please stand as you are able.)

## Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem – H # 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<br/>Christ according to John.All:Glory to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Holy Gospel: John 14:15-21

15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. 18 "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live. you also will live. 20 In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. 21 Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

Deacon or Priest:The Gospel of the Lord.All:Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem – H # 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. O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Savior, the Prince of Peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that as there is but one Body and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

*Intercessor*: Lord, in your mercy: *People:* Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*: For our Archbishop, Foley Beach; for our Bishop, 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.

(*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 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 propitation 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: O Sons and Daughters (V. 1, 4-9) H - #142

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia

O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heav'n, the glorious King, O'er death and hell rose triumphing. Alleluia!

That night the apostles met in fear: A midst them came their Lord most dear, And said, "My peace be on all here." Alleluia! When Thomas first the tidings heard, How they had seen the risen Lord, He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!

"My pierced side, O Thomas, see; My hands, my feet, I show to thee; Not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia!

No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side; "Thou art my Lord, and God," he cried. Alleluia!

How blest are they who have not seen, And yet whose faith has constant been, For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!

On this most holy day of days, To God your hearts and voices raise In laud, and jubilee, and praise. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia

#### 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*) 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 offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again 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 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**

#### Christ Is Risen

Christ is risen from the dead, Trampling down death by death, And upon those in the tombs bestowing life. (*Repeat x2*)

#### Behold The Lamb - Getty

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away Slain for us and we remember The promise made that all who come in faith Find forgiveness at the cross So we share in this Bread of Life And we drink of His sacrifice As a sign of our bonds of peace Around the table of the King

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ Torn for you eat and remember The wounds that heal the death that brings us life Paid the price to make us one So we share in this Bread of Life And we drink of His sacrifice As a sign of our bonds of love Around the table of the King

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin Shed for you drink and remember He drained death's cup that all may enter in To receive the life of God So we share in this Bread of Life And we drink of His sacrifice As a sign of our bonds of grace Around the table of the King And so with thankfulness and faith we rise To respond and to remember Our call to follow in the steps of Christ As His body here on earth As we share in His suffering We proclaim Christ will come again And we'll join in the feast of heaven Around the table of the King

#### 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: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee - H # 375

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, Praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee; Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays; Stars and angels sing around thee, Center of unbroken praise; Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowr'ring meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain, Call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest, Well-spring of the joy of living, Ocean-depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, All who live in love are thine; Teach us how to love each other; Lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals join the mighty chorus Which the morning stars began; Father love is reigning o'er us; Brother love binds man to man. Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife; Joyful music lifts us sunward In the triumph song of life.

# The Dismissal

Deacon or Priest: Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.