



# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
Liturgy of the Word, Rite II  
May 10, 2020

THE LITURGY OF THE WORDOPENING ACCLAMATION

*Officiant* 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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
 King, al - mighty 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.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Officiant* 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.**

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.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## THE RESPONSE

PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16

- 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."

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 marvelous 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

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

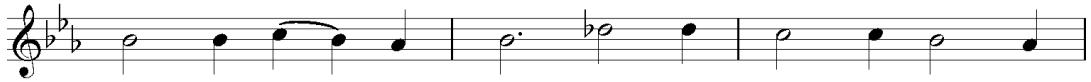
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

# GOSPEL SONG

H487 COME MY WAY, MY TRUTH, MY LIFE



1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a  
 2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a  
 3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a



way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all  
 light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in  
 joy as none can move; such a love as none can



strife; such a life as kill - eth death.  
 length; such a strength as makes \_\_\_\_\_ his guest.  
 part; such a heart as joys \_\_\_\_\_ in love.

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## THE GOSPEL

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 14:1-14.

*People* **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.

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## THE HOMILY

*There will be a pause for silent reflection immediately following the homily.*

## THE NICENE CREED

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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Leader* Please join me for the Prayers of the People.

*Silence*

*Leader* We pray today for the Church. May she drink deeply from living springs; and abide in the wilderness with faith and hope. Pray for the Church.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*Leader* We pray today for the world. May all of humanity rejoice in the goodness of creation, and find their lives enriched in you. Pray for the Earth and all her people.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*Leader* We pray today for our country. May our leaders be wise, our communities be kind, our children be free, and our lives be peaceful and just. Pray for the Nation.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*Leader* We pray today for all those afflicted in mind, body, and spirit. Especially Anne Steinhart, Rick Kimmey, David Cook, Kenny Sanger, Barbara Timmerman, Louise LaNouette, and Mitch Bojarski. We pray also for all those effected by the Corona-virus, especially health care workers, and those who risk much in service to others. May all who are lonely, vulnerable, and fearful find you present, with them; and may there be grace when we suffer. Pray for the afflicted.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*Leader* We pray today for the departed. Especially: Gloria Spratt, mother of Barbara Bennewitz; and Dick Rasner. May they rise from glory to glory, and may we trust that in you, life is changed; not ended. Pray for those who have died and those who mourn.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*Leader* For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Thomas our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*Leader* We give thanks today for the many Blessings of this life. And all those who are celebrating their birthdays and anniversaries this week. And the great and simple joys which we now name.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*Leader* Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with all your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may know ourselves to be loved and supported by the Church in prayer. We ask this all in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Officiant*

**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 BLESSING

*Following the Blessing, the people respond*

**Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Officiant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

## POSTLUDE

ALEA VERNON

*IF GOD BE FOR US*

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# IN THANKSGIVING & MEMORY

## WE GIVE THANKS FOR THOSE CELEBRATING:

**Birthdays** in the next week: Miles Rudy, Jane Mashburn, Kristen Wetherill, Dave Johnson, Luke Theobald, Jess Harden, Barbara Sporck-Stegmaier, Ross Bextermueller, Caroline Corbett, Jolene Struebbe, Novella Franz, Bridget Bazeley, Ed Polaski, Cara Mallon.

**Anniversaries** in the coming week: Betsy & Tom Schram, Karen & Bob Schlantz, Holly & Tom Hankinson, Winkie & Mark Upson, Pam & Martin Popp.

A donation to the Flower Guild was given to the glory of God in loving memory of Bobbie Mosher by John Mosher and of Joy Cavaliere by Jeanne Plunkett.

## PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

*Officiant*

The Rev. Philip DeVaul

*Preacher*

The Rt. Rev. Thomas Breidenthal

*Deacon*

*Lector*

Gordon Christenson

*Psalmist*

Kelli Wisecup

*Lay Reader*

Gale Sheldon

*Intercessor*

*Organist*

Thomas Heidenreich

*Song of Praise Leader*

Anny Stevens-Gleason

*Gospel Song Leader*



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