



A Eucharist for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

Welcome

Prelude: Nachspiel in Bb Major (Johann Gottlob Töpfer)

The President may say some words of introduction and welcome.

Hymn: All Nations Of The World

All nations of the world
Be joyful in the Lord:
With willing hands your Master serve with one accord:
In ceaseless praise
With heart and voice in him rejoice through all your days.

In gladness go your way:
Approach his courts with song
In thankfulness to him to whom all things belong.
His name adore:
His gracious mercy, truth and love for evermore.

(Edwin Le Grice)

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:
**All: He has given us new life and hope
by raising Jesus from the dead.**

**All: Lord, speak to us that we may hear your word.
Move among us that we may behold your glory.
Receive our prayers that we may learn to trust you.
Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,
and confess to you our weakness and our unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,
and not by the power of your resurrection.
In your mercy, forgive us.

All: **Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,
as faithless and not believing.
In your mercy, forgive us.

All: **Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven.
In your mercy, forgive us.

All: **Lord, hear us and help us.**

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

The Gloria

All: **Glory to God in the Highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, Heav'nly 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.

The Collect

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.

All: **Amen.**

First Reading – Acts 7:55-end

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he 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.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading – John 14:1-14

Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus said, 'I am the resurrection and the life.

Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

All: **Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

'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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Creed

All: **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,
was incarnate of 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 worshipped 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

Prayers of Intercession

We use the following response:

Lord, in your mercy
All: Hear our prayer.

At the end of the prayers:

Merciful Father,
**All: Accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples
and said, 'Peace be with you'.
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All: And also with you.
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*This is the moment in the service when we usually take a collection for our churches.
The work we do is funded only by the money we raise ourselves. Please visit our
website for more information on how to give to our parish:*

<https://www.cheamparish.org.uk/giving>

Hymn: You, Living Christ, Our Eyes Behold

You, living Christ, our eyes behold,
Amid your Church appearing.
All girt about your breast with gold
And bright apparel wearing;
Your countenance is burning bright,
A sun resplendent in its might:
Lord Christ, we see your glory.

O risen Christ, today alive,
Amid your Church abiding,
Who now your blood and body give,
New life and strength providing,
We join in heavenly company
To sing your praise triumphantly,
For we have seen your glory.

(Edmund Robert Morgan)

Preparation of the Table

Risen Lord Jesus Christ,
we believe you, and all we have heard is true.
When you break bread
may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us,
that we may bring light to the world.

All: **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All: **and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
almighty and eternal Father,
and in these days of Easter
to celebrate with joyful hearts
the memory of your wonderful works.
For by the mystery of his passion
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,
has conquered the powers of death and hell
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.

He has placed them once more in paradise
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.
And so, in the joy of this Passover,
earth and heaven resound with gladness,
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

All: **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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you 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.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
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.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:
All: **Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world, rejoicing
in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one kingdom
all who share in this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you
for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours,
almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray with confidence as our
Saviour has taught us:

All: **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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.**

Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The President breaks the bread, saying:

We break the bread of the world,
To share in the body of Christ.

**All: Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.
All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The President receives communion.

Spiritual Communion

It is an ancient practice of the Church that, when you are prevented from attending the Holy Eucharist, people are invited to express, in the words of St. Thomas Aquinas, "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him." Therefore, during this time you are invited to pray this prayer, which may be said as often as you desire:

*Jesus, I believe that you are present
in the Blessed Sacrament.*

*I love you above all things,
and I long for you in my soul.*

*Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, be with me at least
spiritually into my heart.*

Amen.

Prayers after Communion

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love for the world
and the wonders of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.

All: **Amen.**

All: **God of truth,
we have seen with our eyes
and touched with our hands the bread of life:
strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you
and for each other; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Notices and Announcements

The Dismissal

God, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,
strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life:
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All: **Amen.**

He is not here. He is risen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

All: **In the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Hymn: Thy Hand, O God, Has Guided

Thy hand, O God, has guided
Thy flock, from age to age;
The wondrous tale is written,
Full clear, on every page;
Our fathers owned thy goodness,
And we their deeds record;
And both of this bear witness:
One Church, one faith, one Lord.

Thy mercy will not fail us,
Nor leave thy work undone;
With thy right hand to help us,
The victory shall be won;
And then, by men and angels,
Thy name shall be adored,
And this shall be their anthem:
One Church, one faith, one Lord.

(Edward Hayes Plumptre)

Postlude: Kleine Fugue in C major (Theophil Forchhammer)