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## The Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year C May 18, 2025, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Prayer – Hybrid

*Thank you for worshipping with us this morning! We are glad you are here. If you are online, please keep your microphone muted for most of the service. If you are reading a lesson, leading the prayers, or adding an intercession or thanksgiving aloud during the prayers, please unmute yourself; then please re-mute. Music is in this bulletin, and may be taken from The Hymnal 1982; Wonder, Love, and Praise (WLP); Lift Every Voice and Sing II (LEVAS II); Voices Found (VF); and My Heart Sings Out (MHSO).*

### Prelude

### Opening Hymn

*We know that Christ is raised and dies no more*

Hymnal 296

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.  
 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.  
 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.  
 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows



Em-braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold; \_\_\_\_\_  
Re-born we share with him an Eas - ter life. \_\_\_\_\_  
The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God. \_\_\_\_\_  
as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. \_\_\_\_\_



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy. \_\_\_\_\_  
as liv - ing mem-bers of a liv - ing Christ. \_\_\_\_\_ Al - le -  
Bap-tized we live with God the Three in One. \_\_\_\_\_  
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing: \_\_\_\_\_



lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_ Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

## Opening Sentence

*Officiant*

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! *2 Corinthians 5:17*

## Confession of Sin

*The Officiant says*

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People*

God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.

*The Officiant says*

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal  
life. *Amen.*

**The Invitatory and Psalter**

*Officiant* O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.  
*People* And your glory all the day long.

*All* Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

*Officiant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
*People* O come let us worship. Alleluia.

*Descant*

3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:

1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
 2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;  
 3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:

though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in

There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -  
 death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through  
 though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in

Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -  
 him we die to sin and live to God. Al -  
 Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

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 le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

*Officiant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
*People* O come let us worship. Alleluia.

**Psalm 148**

- 1 Hallelujah!  
Praise the Lord from the heavens; \*  
praise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him, all you angels of his; \*  
praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; \*  
praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, \*  
and you waters above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord; \*  
for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; \*  
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, \*  
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, \*  
tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, \*  
fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, \*  
creeping things and winged birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, \*  
princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12 Young men and maidens, \*  
old and young together.
- 13 Let them praise the Name of the Lord, \*  
for his Name only is exalted,  
his splendor is over earth and heaven.

14 He has raised up strength for his people  
and praise for all his loyal servants, \*  
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.  
Hallelujah!

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## **The Lessons**

### **First Reading: Acts 11:1-18**

*Lector:* A reading from Acts

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'

If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

*A period of silence is kept.*

## **A Song of Wisdom**

*Sapientia liberavit*

*Said in Unison with Officiant leading.*

Wisdom freed from a nation of oppressors \*  
a holy people and a blameless race.

She entered the soul of a servant of the Lord, \*  
withstood dread rulers with wonders and signs.

To the saints she gave the reward of their labors, \*  
and led them by a marvelous way;

She was their shelter by day \*  
and a blaze of stars by night.

She brought them across the Red Sea, \*  
she led them through mighty waters;

But their enemies she swallowed in the waves \*  
and spewed them out from the depths of the abyss.

And then, Lord, the righteous sang hymns to your Name, \*  
and praised with one voice your protecting hand;

For Wisdom opened the mouths of the mute, \*  
and gave speech to the tongues of a new-born people.



## **Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-6**

*Lector:* A reading from Revelation

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.  
He will dwell with them as their God;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;  
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.  
Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

## **A Song of Faith**

*Said in Unison with Officiant leading*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, \*  
by divine mercy we have a new birth into a living hope;

Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, \*  
we have an inheritance that is imperishable in heaven.

The ransom that was paid to free us \*  
was not paid in silver or gold,

But in the precious blood of Christ, \*  
the Lamb without spot or stain.

God raised Jesus from the dead and gave him glory \*  
so that we might have faith and hope in God.

### **Gospel: John 13:31-35**

*(In Morning Prayer, all remain seated while the Gospel is read by a layperson.)*

*Lector:* A reading from the Gospel of John

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

*Lector:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

*A period of silence is kept.*

### **Sermon**

Diane Rooney

### **The Apostles' Creed**

*Officiant and People together, standing as able*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **The Prayers**

*The people stand or kneel*

<i>Officiant</i>	God be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Officiant</i>	Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

## **Suffrages**

V. Help us, O God our Savior;  
R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.  
V. Look upon your congregation;  
R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.  
V. Declare your glory among the nations;  
R. And your wonders among all peoples.

V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;  
R. Never forget the lives of your poor.  
V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;  
R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.  
V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;  
R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

### **The Collect of the Day**

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.*

### **A Collect for Sundays**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **A Collect for the Human Family**

*Said in unison*

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **A Collect for Mission**

*Said in unison*

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*Authorized intercessions and thanksgivings may follow.*

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Martin's Church, Fairlee; the Rev. Scott Neal; and their partners in the Upper Valley Constellation – St. Barnabas, Norwich; St. John's, Randolph; and St. Paul's, White River. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and The Middle East.

We give thanks for all who celebrate birthdays or anniversaries this week, especially those we now name...

We pray for those who are sick or have asked for our prayers, especially those we now name...

We pray for those who have died, remembering especially those we now name...

I invite your additional prayers of thanksgiving and intercession at this time.

### **Concluding Collect**

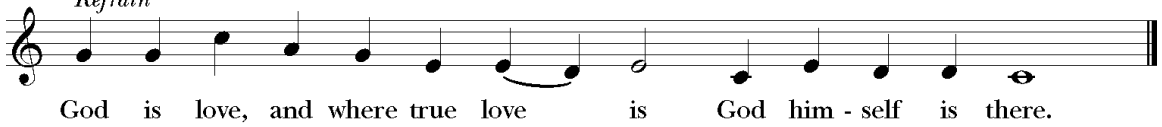
Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth: mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

### **Office/Offertory Hymn**

*Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling*

Hymnal 577

*Refrain*

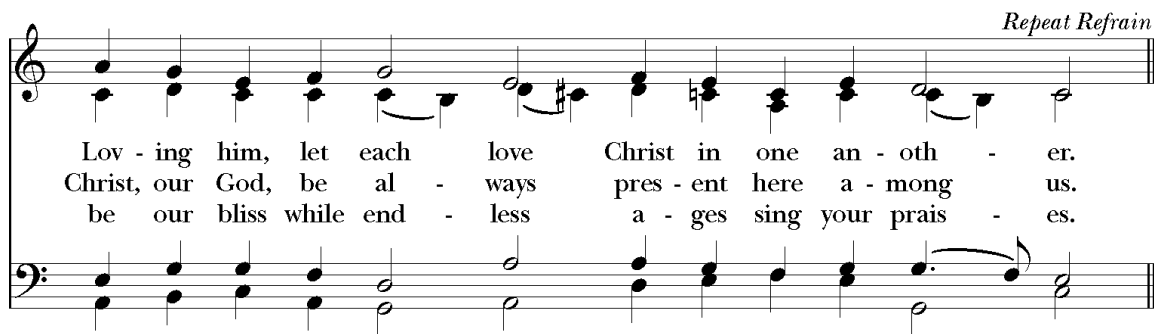


1 Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing.  
2 When we Chris - tians gath - er, mem - bers of one Bo - dy,  
3 Grant us love's ful - fill - ment, joy with all the bless - ed,

Christ, our love, is with us, glad - ness be his greet - ing.  
let there be in us no dis - cord but one spi - rit.  
when we see your face, O Sa - vior, in its glo - ry.

Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.  
Ban - ished now be an - ger, strife and ev - ery quar - rel.  
Shine on us, O pur - est Light of all cre - a - tion,

*Repeat Refrain*



Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.  
 Christ, our God, be al - ways pres - ent here a - mong us.  
 be our bliss while end - less a - ges sing your prais - es.

## A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

*The Officiant and People say together*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

## Dismissal

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!  
*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

## Concluding Sentence

*The Officiant says*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen.*

*Ephesians 3:20,21*

## Sending Hymn

*I come with joy to meet my Lord*

Hymnal 304

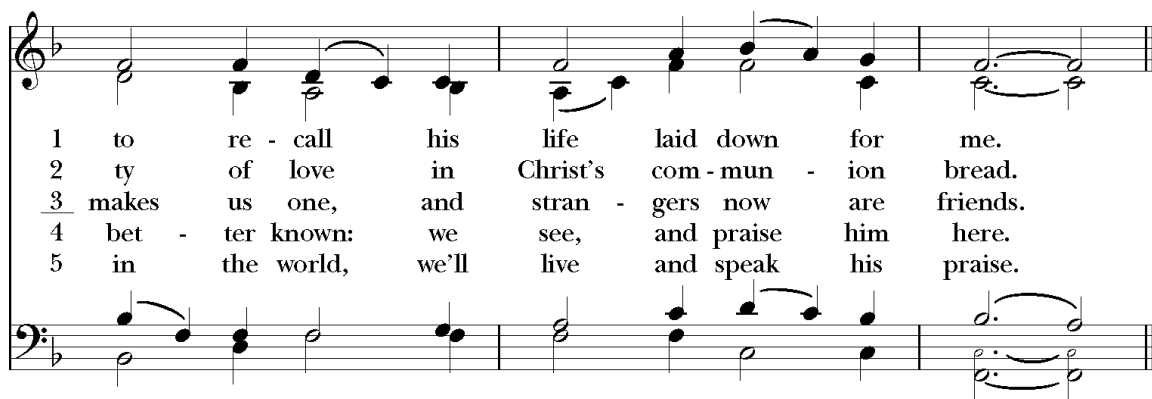
*Unison or harmony*



1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll



1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple



1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

Postlude; Announcements; Next Week: Sunday May 25 - Holy Eucharist Hybrid, 9:30 AM