



15 May 2022 8am



Fifth Sunday of Easter

Welcome!

We bid you a very warm welcome to our worship. We acknowledge our presence is on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Peoples.

Please rise as you are able as the Clergy enter to opening hymn melody: O praise ye the Lord

All **ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Priest OUR Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

All **Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

Priest Lord, have mercy upon us.

All **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Priest Lord, have mercy upon us.

All The Lord be with you;
And with thy spirit.

Collect of the Day

Priest Let us pray.

All **God of glory,
whose Beloved took the shadowed road of death
and found life in the darkness:**

**may his love be our law,
so that, undimmed by fear,
we may witness to the power of new birth,
through Jesus Christ, the first-born from the dead.
Amen.**

Please sit for a reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Chapter 11.1-18)

Reader 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.'

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Please remain seated for a reading from the Book of Revelation (Chapter 21.1-6)

Reader Then 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;
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.'

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Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to St. John. (Chapter 13.31-35)
All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Priest When he 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.'

At the conclusion of the Gospel

Priest The Gospel of Christ.
All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon The Reverend Terry Shields Dirbas

Priest I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty,
All **Maker of heaven and earth,
And of all things visible and invisible:
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten
Son of God, Begotten of the Father before all
worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of
very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one
substance with the Father; Through whom all
things were made: Who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the
Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man,
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried, And the third day he
rose again according to the Scriptures, And
ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand
of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to
judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom
shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The
Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and
the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together
is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the
Prophets. And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and**

Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Priest Offer unto God the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay thy vows unto the Most High. *Psalm 50.14*

The Altar is prepared for Communion

Priest BLESSED be thou, LORD God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. *1 Chronicles 29. 10, 11, 14.*

Prayers

Priest Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church.

Let us pray for peace on earth.

Let us remember before God those who have departed this life and are at rest.

Intercession

Priest ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept all that we offer unto thee, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace: And grant unto thy servant ELIZABETH our Queen, and to all that are put in authority

under her, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and specially to thy servant John our Bishop, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: Prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the Gospel of thy kingdom among the nations: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and specially to this congregation here present, that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those for whom our prayers are desired.

We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: and we bless thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified thee; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

All

Amen.

Thanksgiving and Consecration

Priest

THE Lord be with you;

All

And with thy spirit.

Priest

Lift up your hearts;

All

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;
All **It is meet and right so to do.**

Priest It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

All **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 the one that cometh in the
Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.**

Prayer of Consecration and the Breaking of the Bread

Priest BLESSING and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who,

in the same night that he was betrayed, ^atook Bread; and, when he had given thanks, ^bhe brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; ^cthis is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise after supper ^dhe took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for ^ethis is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

All

Amen.

Priest

THE peace of the Lord be always with you;

All

And with thy spirit.

Priest

O LAMB of God, that takest away the sin of the world,

All

have mercy upon us.

Priest

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,

All

have mercy upon us.

Priest O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
All **grant us thy peace.**

We invite all baptized Christians to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Please receive the bread by holding out your hands. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. To receive the wine, please gently guide the chalice to your lips, or simply touch the base of the chalice if you prefer not to drink from it. Please note that intinction (dipping the wafer in the wine) is not permitted in our diocese. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, you may indicate that desire by crossing your arms over your chest.

If you are unable to come forward, please ask a sidesperson to have Communion brought to you.

Communion Anthem	O Bone Jesu	J Brahms
O bone Jesu, miserere nobis,	O gracious Jesus, have mercy on us,	
quia tu creasti nos,	because you have created us	
tu redemisti nos	and redeemed us with	
sanguine tuo praetiosissimo.	your most precious blood.	

Priest Let us pray.
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 them that 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.**

Priest ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

All **And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable,**

holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

All

GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards all. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Priest

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

All

Amen.

Postlude

The Holy City (chorus sing-a-long) S Adams
*Jerusalem, Jerusalem! Lift up your gates and sing,
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna to your King!*

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Sunday online service

10am Holy Eucharist live-stream

Wednesday online service

8pm Midweek Meditation

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