

# The Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018

10:00 AM



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant - The Very Reverend David A. duPlantier, *Dean*

Preacher - The Reverend Canon Steven M. Roberts

*It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to turn pagers and cell phones off; let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship. Children, Kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to the Nursery for breakfast and the Good Shepherd Atrium for Christian Formation. They will join us in the cathedral at The Peace. An usher will be happy to assist you with directions.*

## The Word of God

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

*When the bell sounds, please stand and sing.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #47 - On this day, the first of days ..... *Gott sei Dank*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

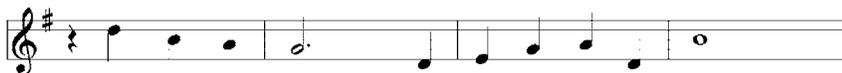
*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

### CHRIST OUR PASSOVER *Pascha Nostrum*



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:



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



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

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* 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.*

## THE FIRST LESSON ~ Acts 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*The choir sings*

## PSALM 22:24-30 *Deus, Deus meus*

24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,

and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: \*

"May your heart live for ever!"

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, \*

and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; \*

he rules over the nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; \*

all who go down to the dust fall before him.

29 My soul shall live for him;

my descendants shall serve him; \*

they shall be known as the LORD'S for ever.

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn \*

the saving deeds that he has done.

Setting: Samuel Sebastian Wesley

## THE SECOND LESSON ~ 1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has

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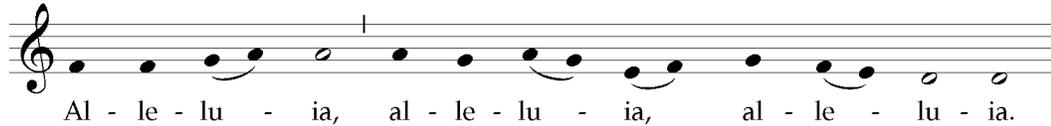
sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Please stand and sing*

**ALLELUIA & VERSE**



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

V. Abide in me as I in you, says the Lord:  
I am the vine and you are the branches. [*Alleluia*]

**THE GOSPEL ~ John 15:1-8**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**THE SERMON**

**THE NICENE CREED**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form III**

Prayer Book, Page 387

**THE PEACE**

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

*People* And also with you.

# The Liturgy of the Table

**ANTHEM**

I sat down under His shadow with great delight, and His fruit was sweet to my taste. He brought me to the banqueting house, and His banner over me was love.

Music: Edward C. Bairstow (1874-1946)

Text: Song of Solomon 2:3-4

*Please stand and sing*

**OFFERTORY HYMN #379 ~ God is love: let heaven adore him .....Abbot's Leigh**



**THE FRACTION ANTHEM**



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, our Pass-o-ver, is  
sac - ri-ficed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia.

**THE INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*All persons are welcome at the Lord's table; to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. Baptized Christians of all ages and denomination may receive the elements. To receive a blessing rather than the elements, cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the altar rail. To receive communion please hold out your crossed hands, open palms up, for the bread, and then help guide the chalice to your lips to receive the wine; cross your arms over your chest if you do not wish to receive the wine. Please blot lipstick before drinking from the chalice. You may also allow the chalice minister to dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue and it is permissible to receive only the bread if you like.*

*To receive an individual prayer of healing with anointing (Unction), go to the chapel after you receive Communion. Kneel as you are able at the altar rail in the chapel leaving some space between you and the next person for privacy. Return to the cathedral after the priest has prayed with you.*

**COMMUNION ANTHEM**

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| Come, my way, my truth, my life:<br>such a way, as gives us breath;<br>such a truth, as ends all strife;<br>such a life as conquers death. | Come, my light, my feast, my strength:<br>such a light as shows a feast;<br>such a feast as mends in length;<br>such a strength as makes his guest. | Come, my joy, my love, my heart:<br>such a joy as none can move;<br>such a love as none can part;<br>such a heart as joys in love. |
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Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)  
Music: Harold Friedell (1905-1958)

**HYMN #704** ~ O thou who camest from above..... *Hereford*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Prayer Book, Page 365/366

**THE SEASONAL BLESSING**

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. *Amen*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN #544** ~ Jesus shall reign where're the sun ..... *Duke Street*

**THE DISMISSAL**

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

**VOLUNTARY**

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God*

*Please Join Us For Coffee Hour – Immediately following this service we gather in Stuart Hall for refreshments and conversation; all are invited to attend. Use the exit at the front of the cathedral next to the organ pipes, turn left to access the hallway, and then follow the long hallway to the right; Stuart Hall is on the right. Guests are especially welcome!*

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Psalm

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Alleluia

From *Gradual Psalms for the RCL*, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated.

Mass (Sanctus, Christ our Passover)

Setting: *A Community Mass*, Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*The choir sings Choral Evensong for Ascension Day*, with a reception following, on Thursday, May 10 at 6:00 PM.

*Donors needed for Altar Flowers in Cathedral and Chapel* - Please sign up today on the chart next to Stuart Hall, or for more information, contact Sandy Jackson - sditta@tulane.edu.

*Please consider hosting Coffee Hour* after a 10:00 AM Sunday Eucharist. This is a vital part of our ministry. The sign-up sheet is in Stuart Hall.

*If you would like to read the Gospel on Pentecost* in a language other than English, please speak with Lisa Sibal.

*Gardeners* meet every third Saturday of the month from 8am to 10am to beautify and maintain the gardens. The next gathering is scheduled for May 19. Everyone is invited. Your help is appreciated.

- Sunday, May 20 - The Day of Pentecost - Parish Picnic following the 10:00 Eucharist

*The next opportunities for Baptism* fall on Sundays in the Easter season through the Day of Pentecost at the 10:00 Eucharist. Please speak with Canon Roberts as soon as possible.

*If you or a family member is hospitalized or shut-in*, please contact the parish secretary during office hours or call one of us directly on our mobile phones at any time and leave a voice message if necessary. If the situation is not urgent you may also contact us via email (copying the parish secretary as well.) Please DO NOT use text messages, Facebook or any other instant message platform to communicate sensitive or urgent information, as their reliability is inconsistent.

## **Welcoming Children at Christ Church Cathedral**

Children at Christ Church Cathedral are an important part of our community. We welcome children of all ages and encourage their participation in worship services.

### **Members of the Cathedral**

In keeping with the commitment we make at the time of baptism, all members play a part in the spiritual development of our youngest members. Participating in worship with children is one way to be involved in this process.

- Express your delight in having children in worship services.
  - Be sure to welcome families and children when you see them.
  - Free yourself from worry about children's behavior, be open to receiving their ministry to you and the Christ Church Cathedral community.
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## BULLETIN INSERTS

**April 29, 2018**

### **The Feast of St. Catherine of Siena**

Today the church celebrates the Feast of Catherine of Siena, a fourteenth-century mystic and spiritual writer.

Caterina Benincasa was born in Siena, Italy, in 1347 and experienced her first religious vision when she was only 6 years old. *Holy Women, Holy Men* describes how, as she was walking along the road one day, Catherine looked up and “beheld our Lord seated in glory with St. Peter, St. Paul, and St. John” and in her vision “the Savior smiled on her and blessed her.”

Despite her family’s objections, at the age of 16 she joined the Third Order of the Dominicans and spent her early life serving the poor and converting sinners, according to *An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church: A User Friendly Reference for Episcopalians*, edited by Don S. Armentrout and Robert Boak Slocum.

Catherine worked courageously to help the ill during the black plague and visited prisoners condemned to death. She also arbitrated feuds and attempted to help restore the schism in the church at that time between the popes in Rome and Avignon by writing letters to political leaders and traveling to plead for unification in person.

*Holy Women, Holy Men* explains that, in Siena, opinion about Catherine was sharply divided as to whether she was a saint or a fanatic (p. 350), but she eventually won the full support from the Dominican Mother House.

In 1377-1378 Catherine wrote her famous, mystical *Dialogue*, which she dictated to her secretaries while in an ecstatic state. Here is one of its better-known passages:

“You are rewarded not according to time or work, but according to the measure of your love. Many are placed in their childhood to work in the vineyard; some enter later in life, and others in old age; sometimes these latter labor with such fire of love, seeing the shortness of the time, that they rejoin those who entered in their childhood, because they have advanced but slowly. By love of obedience, then, does the soul receive her merit, filling the vessel of her heart.”

Catherine died in Rome on April 29, 1380, at the age of 33, and became a saint in 1461, canonized by Pope Pius II.

### **Collect for Catherine of Siena**

Everlasting God, you so kindled the flame of holy love in the heart of blessed Catherine of Siena, as she meditated on the passion of your Son our Savior, that she devoted her life to the poor and the sick, and to the peace and unity of the Church: Grant that we also may share in the mystery of Christ’s death, and rejoice in the revelation of his glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



*St. Catherine of Siena, Baldassare Franceschini, 17th century. Dulwich Picture Gallery.*

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## THE WEEK OF APRIL 29, 2018

### SUNDAY

- 8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, 1928 Prayer Book (Chapel)  
9:45 AM Children's Christian Formation (Martin Room)  
10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung)  
11:15 AM Coffee Hour  
6:00 PM REAL PRESENCE (Contemplative Holy Eucharist)

### MONDAY

- 12:00 PM Al-Anon (Martin Room)  
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
1:00 PM Book Club (Advent House)  
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp

### TUESDAY

- 9:30 AM Staff Meeting  
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp  
5:30 PM Yoga (Cathedral)  
6:45 PM Seeker's Book Study (Advent House)

### WEDNESDAY

- 11:30 PM Contemplative Prayer & Book Study (AH)  
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
1:00 PM Education for Ministry (EfM) (Westfeldt Room)  
1:30 PM Canon Lowry's Study  
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY

- 10:00 AM Cathedral Tours  
12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Women Only)  
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp

### FRIDAY

- 10:00 AM Funeral  
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

### SATURDAY

- 9:00 AM Office open until noon.  
9:30 AM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
9:30 AM Centering Prayer (Advent House)

### SUNDAY

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