

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28th, 2024 10:30 am

We welcome ALL: People of Color LGBTQI+ Drag Queens Partnered and Single Differently Abled Families and Children Young and Old Our Unhoused Neighbors The Alcoholic and Addicted Believers and Those Questioning Faith Anyone Who Desires a Spiritual Home.

Calvary's welcome extends to all. But more importantly— God welcomes you for exactly who you are.

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HOLY EUCHARIST

PRELUDE Please stand PROCESSIONAL HYMN 296

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

SALUTATION

Celebrant	Alleluia, Christ is risen.
People	The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

THE 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.*

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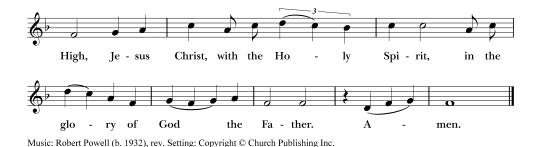


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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY Please remain standing

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.*

A READING FROM ACTS *Please be seated.*

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.

Acts 8:26-40

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Edward John Hopkins



- 24 My praise is of him in the great as sembly; * 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 'heärt '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 be fore him.
- 27 For kingship be'longs to the LORD; * he'rüles' over the 'nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; * all who go down to the düst fall be fore him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him; my des'cendants shall'serve him; * they shall be'known as the LORD's for ever.
- †30 They shall come and make known to a people yet un born * the saving deeds that he has done.

A READING FROM FIRST JOHN

I John 15:1-8

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 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. LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Please stand

SEQUENCE HYMN 489

The great Creator of the world

TALLIS' ORDINAL

John 15:1-8

THE GOSPEL

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory 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."

Celebrant	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON Please be seated

The Very Rev. Dr. Lee F. Shafer

THE NICENE CREED Please stand		BCP 358
We believe in one God,	On the third day he rose again	
the Father, the Almighty,	in accordance with the Scriptures;	
maker of heaven and earth,	he ascended into heaven	
of all that is, seen and unseen.	and is seated at the right hand of the Father.	
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.	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.	
 For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pow he suffered death and was buried. 		
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM II The Leader and People pray responsively	Ι	BCP 387
Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Chr. <i>That we all may be one.</i>	urch;	

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; especially Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Terry, our Bishop. *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

We pray today for those on our Calvary Prayer List, Larry, Margot, Stephanie, Matthew, Amelia, Ramon, Dorothy, Tanner, Greg, Michael, John, Larisa, Gwenn, Will, Mildred, Bob, and Rusty.

Give to the departed eternal rest; Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. Silence The People may add their own petitions. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon or Celebrant says Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Silence may be kept.

Minister and People Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

THE PEACE *Please stand*

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS Please be seated

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

God so loved the world

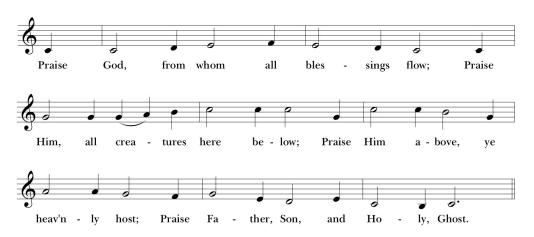
JOHN STAINER

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved.

THE DOXOLOGY

PUER NOBIS



INVITATION TO COMMUNION Please remain standing

This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is God's desire that you will meet God here.

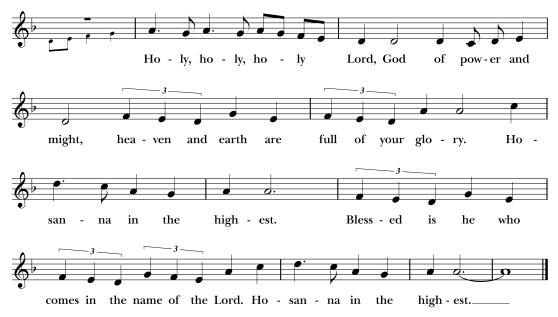
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

	The Lord be with you
People	And also with you
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Celebrant	It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of
	mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:



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The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP 364 Our Father, who art in heaven, as we forgive those hallowed be thy Name, who trespass against us. thy kingdom come, And lead us not into temptation, thy will be done, but deliver us from evil. on earth as it is in heaven. For thine is the kingdom, Give us this day our daily bread. and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen. And forgive us our trespasses,



*If you would like a gluten free wafer please extend one hand only.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

I sat down under his shadow

EDWARD C. BAIRSTOW

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.

COMMUNION HYMN 487

Come my Way, my Truth, my Life

Please stand or kneel

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

THE BLESSING

THE CALL

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DISMISSAL

CelebrantLet us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS AT CALVARY! TODAY, Sunday April 28th at 3:00, the Voices of Kentuckiana Chorus will be presenting their 30th Anniversary concert at Calvary. There are still tickets available upon arrival.

SHARED COFFEE HOUR Please join us at 12:30 pm TODAY, April 28th at St. George's Church for our Shared Coffee Hour with the Urban Partnership.

PARISH PICNIC The annual Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, May 19th, following the 10:30 am church service. Parish Life will be providing chicken breasts, hotdogs, and hamburgers. Ian Walton has volunteered to be the grill master for this event. This is your opportunity to fix your favorite summer dish and bring it to the potluck. A sign-up sheet for side dishes and desserts will be in Frasier Hall this Sunday after church. If you have any questions please see James Moody, Pattie Davidson, or Scott Robinson.

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