

# Fifth Sunday of Easter

## Mothers' Day

May 10, 2020, 10:00 a.m.



We are in the season of Eastertide, a period of fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday. Eastertide season is celebrated as a single joyful feast, indeed as the "great Lord's Day". Each Sunday of the season is treated as a Sunday of Easter, and, after the Sunday of the Resurrection, they are named Second Sunday of Easter, Third Sunday of Easter, etc. up to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, while the whole fifty-day period concludes with Pentecost Sunday. We include more alleluias, and The Confession of Sin is absent.

## The Word of God

Prelude

*Sleepers, Awake*

J.S. Bach

Opening Hymn

**Seek Ye First**

**Hymn #711**

Seek ye— first the— king - dom of God and its— right - eous - ness,  
5 Ask, and it shall be— giv - en un - to you, seek, and he shall find,  
9 and all these things will be add - ed un - to you; Al - le - lu! Al - le - lu - ia!  
knock, and the door shall be o - pened un - to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

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### The Opening Acclamation

✠ Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen!  
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

### The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Let us pray.  
All **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.**

A ✠ appears in the margin where you may wish to make the sign of the cross over your body. Making the sign of the cross is a choice left to each worshipper.

It is simply a way to engage your entire body (not just your speech and mind) in worship and physically to signify embracing the blessing of God.

# The Gloria

# Glory to God

John Rutter

13 Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav'ry King, al-

25 might-y God and Fa - ther, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

40 Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin

56 of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: re - ceive our prayer. For

70 you a - lone are the Holy One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the most high, Je - sus Christ

with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A men.

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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 7:55-60

Reader: Chloe Dowling

1<sup>st</sup> Reader A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

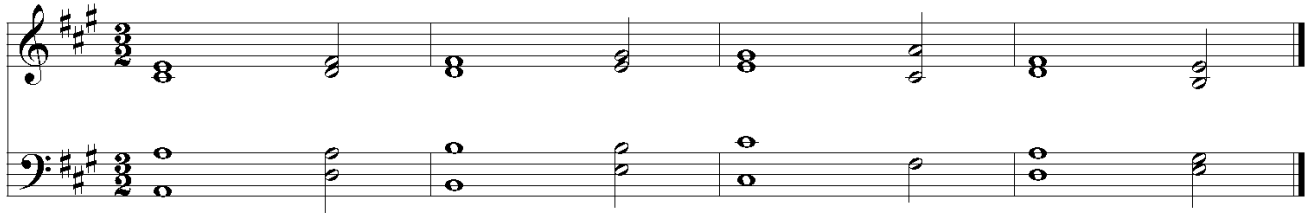
Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against 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.

1<sup>st</sup> Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

The Response

Psalm 31

Hopson



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*In thee, O Lord, I put my trúst, shamed let me never bé;  
According to thy righteousnéss do thou deliver mé.*

*Bow down thine ear to me, with spéed send me deliveránce:  
To save me, my strong rock be thóu, and my castle of defénse.*

*Because thou art my rock, and thée I for my fortress take;  
Therefore do thou me lead and guíde, ev'n for thine own name's sáke.*

The Second Lesson 1 Peter 2:2-10

Reader: Will Sams, *Graduating High School Junior*

2<sup>nd</sup> Reader A Reading from the first Letter of Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation — if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner”,

and

“A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God's people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

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The Gospel Procession

Alleluia

Marty Haugen



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The Holy Gospel John 14:1-14

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

**People Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

**People Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

† The Sermon

Sofia Pelá & Joe Miyashita, *Graduating High School Seniors*

*There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.*

The Nicene 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. 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. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## The Prayers of the People

Reader: Anne Miyashita

*(the People join in reading the responses in **bold**)*

Leader: We, the members of the St Francis' Youth Groups, on behalf of our parish, offer these prayers to you, Great God of love, in thanksgiving for all our blessings and in particular for the women we celebrate today on Mother's Day.

We pray for the women of St. Francis Church. May they continue to spread their love to others through mothering help and kindness. We pray, **Jesus is our cornerstone.**

Grant to all the family of St Francis the grace to inspire one another to good deeds, encouraging one another in the risen Jesus. We pray, **Jesus is our cornerstone.**

Bless our civil and religious leaders with wisdom and grace. Help us all remember that even though the future is hidden from human view your divine guidance is always available. We pray, **Jesus is our cornerstone.**

Protect those who protect us, especially first responders, those in our armed and foreign services and their families, especially Drew Deley, Kelly Hall, Mark Kappelmann, Maia and Tom Lainis, TJ Malzahn, Will Piepenbring, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve, and all the thousands whose names we do not know. Protect those who protect us as we pray for all in the medical professions and all essential workers. We pray for the welfare of the world. We pray, **Jesus is our cornerstone.**

We pray for all who are suffering in body, mind or soul, especially Andrea, Barbara, Bob and Jane Africano, Ceri Falk, Ann Godfrey, Sally Hill, Nathan Reddall Linman, Luke Miles, Molly, Marjorie Morris, Karla Nicole, Shelley Reece, Lisa Rieger, Anne Sharp, Steve Smith, Derek Steel, and all those we name to you now. *(Please add your prayers either silently or aloud).* Your mercy endures forever. We pray, **Jesus is our cornerstone.**

We pray for those killed or injured in acts of terrorism, gun violence, abuse of any kind and from the consequences of natural disasters. We pray for all those suffering and dying from the coronavirus. Jesus Christ the wounded healer has overcome all that can threaten us. We pray, **Jesus is our cornerstone.**

We pray in gratitude for all the blessings of this life and the grace to face our challenges. *(Please add your prayers either silently or aloud).* We pray, **Jesus is our cornerstone.**

Bring eternal life to those we love but see no longer, O God, especially those we name to you now. *(Please add your prayers either silently or aloud.)* We pray, **Jesus is our cornerstone.**

Celebrant Receive these prayers, O God, for Christ has burst forth from the tomb, making all things new.  
Nothing can separate us from your love. Let us rise up and live!  
We give you thanks, God of boundless life. **Amen.**

*The Confession of Sin is omitted during the 50 days of the Easter season.*

## The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People And also with you.**

## Welcome and Announcements

# Communion Under Special Circumstances with Spiritual Communion

The Anthem

*"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*  
Grace Buchen, flute; David Knight, piano

arr. Joel Ramey

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, let us say together,

**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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Invitation To Pray Together The Spiritual Communion Prayer From The National Cathedral

*A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.*

Celebrant Let us pray together

**All My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)**

Mother's Day Prayer

Reader: Grace Buchen, *Graduating High School Senior*

God says: "As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you."

Today we pray in thanksgiving for God's mothering love.

We give thanks for our mothers and for all women who have nurtured us with God's love.

We pray in thanksgiving for all those women who taught us to follow Christ in faith hope and love.

We pray in thanksgiving for every woman who is working to raise, guide, coach, and nurture children.

We pray for the women we have known and for our mothers who have passed on to new life, and whom we miss dearly on earth.

We pray in thanksgiving for the women who have taken in children through adoption and foster care.

We pray for the comfort of women who have lost children to death, and yet must carry on.

We pray for the strength of women who wanted to give birth but were unable, yet gave of their motherly love to those around them.

We pray in thanksgiving for all the women who have worked for justice and peace so that children will not be lost to poverty or war.

We pray in thanksgiving for all the women who have influenced our lives in so many ways.

We pray that we will honor them in everything we do through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

An Easter Blessing

Celebrant God our Creator, whose love raised Christ from the dead; God the Son, who in bursting from the grave has given you new joy in an Easter faith; God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord, empower and fill you with Christ's peace. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Graham Kendrick

Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the dark - ness shin - ing;  
As we come to your awe - some pre - sence, from the shad - ows in - to your ra - diance;

5  
Je - sus, Light of the World, shine up - on us, set us free by the truth you now bring us;  
by your love I may en - ter your bright-ness; search me, try me, con - sume all my dark-ness;

9  
shine on me. Shine on me.  
shine on me. Shine on me.

13  
Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fath - er's glo - ry. Blaze, Spi - rit, blaze, set our hearts on fire!

21  
Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy. Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!

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Postlude: Fugue in d minor

J.S. Bach

Participants in today's service

**Celebrant**—The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic

**Deacon**—The Rev. Jude Lyons

**Preachers**—Sofia Pelá & Joseph Miyashita

**Readers:**

Chloe Dowling

William Sams

Anne Miyashita

Grace Buchen

**Voice:** Dr Jeannie Cobb

**Organ and Piano:** David Knight

**Flute:** Grace Buchen