

Team Eucharist For Sunday 9 May 2021 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Gathering

Welcome to our worship today. Please remain **seated** throughout the service until you are advised to move.

We meet in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The president introduces the service.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He has given us new life and hope.

He has raised Jesus from the dead.

God has claimed us as his own.

He has brought us out of darkness.

He has made us light to the world.

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Confession

Jesus Christ, risen master and triumphant Lord, we come to you to say sorry for our sins, which affect our relationships with you and those around us.

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Absolution

Our Lord and saviour Jesus Christ, "Do not be afraid!" Know that you are washed anew in his rising, and your sins are forgiven. Be at peace, and live in the everlasting love of God. Amen!

Collect

The president prays the Collect of the day.

Let us pray.

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:



help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father.

Ministry of the Word

We hear a reading from the New Testament.
A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (10.44 -end)
At the end of the reading.

Gentiles Hear the Good News

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Gentiles Receive the Holy Spirit

⁴⁴ While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵ The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶ for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷ 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' ⁴⁸ So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98

O sing to the LORD a new song,

for he has done marvellous things.



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His right hand and his holy arm have gained him victory.

- ²The LORD has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.
- ³ He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

O sing to the LORD a new song,

for he has done marvellous things.

- ⁴ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.
- ⁵ Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.
- ⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.
- ⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.
- ⁸ Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy
- ⁹ at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

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for he has done marvellous things.

Gospel Reading

The Gospel reading is introduced.

Alleluia, alleluia. I am the first and the last, says the Lord and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (15.9-17) **Glory to you, O Lord.**



⁹ As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'12 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13 No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15 I do not call you servants [d] any longer, because the servant [e] does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. 16 You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. 17 I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Address

A minister shares with us.

Hymn: Praise my soul the king of heaven.

The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

This response may be used. God, you are our salvation. You are the hope of us all.

At the end.

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.



The Peace

We remain **seated**

The president introduces the peace.

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you'. Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Ministry of the Sacrament

Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, give us the bread of everlasting life, and make us branches of the true vine.

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give

thanks and praise.

It is always right to give you thanks, God our Creator, loving and faithful, holy and strong. You made us and the whole universe, and filled your world with life.

You sent your Son to live among us, Jesus our Saviour, Mary's child. He suffered on the cross; he died to save us from our sins; he rose in glory from the dead.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you because you raised him gloriously from the dead. For he is the true paschal lamb who was offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has restored to us everlasting.

You send your Spirit to bring new life to the world, and clothe us with power from on high. And so we join the angels to celebrate and sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.



Father, on the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with his friends. He took the bread, and thanked you. He broke it, and gave it to them, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine. He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you. This is my blood, the new promise of God's unfailing love. Do this to remember me.

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ will come again.

Jesus Christ will come again.

Father, as we bring this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Spirit on us that we may love one another, work for the healing of the earth, and share the good news of Jesus, as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honour and praise belong to you, Father, with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit: one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The president introduces the Lord's Prayer.

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.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.



Invitation to Communion

Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us. **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The president receives Holy Communion in both kinds. We make our Spiritual Communion as Holy Communion will be administered in one kind only as you leave church.

Hymn

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

The president prays the Post Communion prayer.

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Notices and Banns of Marriage

The Blessing and Dismissal

The president assures us of God's blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal 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 ...

With the power that raised Jesus from the dead at work within us, let **us g**0 on in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

In the name of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia.

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