

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10 May 2020

WELCOME

ORGAN PRELUDE

"Kyrie - Plein Jeu" from "Messe pour les Convents"

Francois Couperin (1668-1733)

We meet in the name of the living God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you.

And also with you.

cf 2 John 1:3

COLLECT FOR PURITY

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
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.**

HYMN 203

(Tune: *Vulpus, Gelobt sei Gott*)

**Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our King.
To all the world glad news we bring:
"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"**

**The Lord of Life is risen for ay:
bring flowers of song to strew his way;
let all the earth rejoice and say
"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"**

**Praise we in songs of victory
that Love, that Life, which cannot die,
and sing with hearts uplifted high
"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"**

**Thy name we bless, O risen Lord,
and sing to-day with one accord
the life laid down, the life restored:
"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"**

PRAYER OF PENITENCE

Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God.
Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is contrary to
God's will and confess our sins in penitence and faith. *cf Romans 6.10*

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

cf Micah 6.8

ABSOLUTION

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Standing before the high priest and the council, Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, 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.

Acts 7.55-60

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 31.1-5, 17-18

To you Lord have I come for shelter:
let me never · be put to shame.

**O deliver me in your righteousness:
incline your ear to me and be swift to save me.**

Be for me a rock of refuge a fortress to defend me:
for you are my high rock and my stronghold.

**Lead me and guide me for your name's sake:
bring me out of the net that they have secretly laid for me
for you are my strength.**

Into your hands I commit my spirit:
you will redeem me O Lord God of truth.

**All my days are in your hand:
O deliver me from the power of my enemies and
from my persecutors.**

Make your face to shine upon your servant:
and save me for your mercy's sake.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:
and to the Holy Ghost;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.**

HYMN 255

(Tune: *Tallis' Ordinal*)

**O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace,
eternal fount of love,
in flame, we pray, our inmost hearts
with fire from heaven above.**

**As thou in bond of love dost join
the Father and the Son,
so fill us all with mutual love,
and knit our hearts in one.**

**All glory to the Father be,
all glory to the Son,
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
while endless ages run.**

Alleluia, alleluia.

cf John 6.35

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life.
Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,
and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

Alleluias are sung before and after the Gospel.

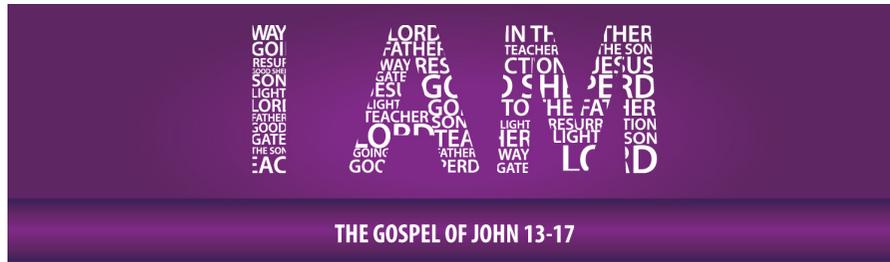
**HEAR THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN
Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples: '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.'

John 14.1-14

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

THE SERMON



ORGAN INTERLUDE

“Cromhorne en taille” from “Messe pour les Convents”

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THE TE DEUM

We praise you, O God,
we acclaim you as the Lord;
**all creation worships you,
the Father everlasting.**

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,
the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
**Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you:
Father, of majesty unbounded,
your true and only Son, worthy of all praise,
the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.
You, Christ, are the King of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.**

When you took our flesh to set us free
you humbly chose the Virgin’s womb.

**You overcame the sting of death
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.**

You are seated at God’s right hand in glory.

We believe that you will come and be our judge.

Come then, Lord, and help your people,
**bought with the price of your own blood,
and bring us with your saints
to glory everlasting.**

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance.

Govern and uphold them now and always.

Day by day we bless you.

We praise your name for ever.

Keep us today, Lord, from all sin.

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

Lord, show us your love and mercy,

for we have put our trust in you.

In you, Lord, is our hope:

let us never be put to shame.

INTERCESSIONS

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. Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you
and also with you.
Alleluia.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

BLESSING

May Christ,
who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future,
fill you with his new life;
and the blessing of God Almighty
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be among and remain with you always.
Amen.

HYMN 212

(Tune: *Noel Nouvelet*)

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
Wheat that in the dark earth many years has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

In the grave they laid Him, Love Whom we had slain,
Thinking that He'd never wake to life again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

Up He sprang at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain;
Up from the dead my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

When our hearts are saddened, grieving or in pain,
By Your touch You call us back to life again;
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

NOTICES

DISMISSAL

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
**He has given us new life and hope
by raising 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.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.
Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.



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