

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m. May 15, 2022

Church of the Epiphany Vacaville, CA

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

Holy Eucharist

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Hymn

Hymnal 199

"Come, ye faithful, raise the strain..."

- 1. Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness!
 God hath brought his Israel into joy from sadness:
 loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters, led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.
- 2. 'Tis the spring of souls today: Christ hath burst his prison, and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath risen; all the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying from his light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.
- 3. Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor, with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render;

comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.

4. Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal, nor the watchers, nor the seal hold thee as a mortal: but today amidst thine own thou didst stand, bestowing that thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing.

All standing, the Celebrant says
Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant and People say

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*

The following is sung, all standing

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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*.

First Reading Acts 11:1-18

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers

also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 148 Laudate Dominum

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD from the heavens; * praise him in the heights.

- 2 Praise him, all you angels of his; * praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; * praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, * and you waters above the heavens.

- 5 Let them praise the Name of the LORD; * for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; * he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- 7 Praise the LORD from the earth, * you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, * tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, * fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, * creeping things and winged birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, * princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12 Young men and maidens, * old and young together.
- 13 Let them praise the Name of the LORD, * for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, * the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

A reading from the Revelation to John.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them as their God;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand.

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 487

"Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life..."

- 1. Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all strife; such a life as killeth death.
- 2. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes his guest.
- 3. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a joy as none can move; such a love as none can part; such a heart as joys in love.

Holy Gospel

John 13:31-35

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according

to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.

If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

After the Gospel is read, the people respond as follows:

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

Sermon

Katherine Frederick

Nicene Creed

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.

Prayers of the People

Deacon: Let us pray for the Church and for the world. For those of you who are worshipping online, please begin sharing your intercessions and thanksgivings now.

Reader:

Happy Easter! As we pray and reflect upon this time of rejuvenation, resurrection and rebirth, let us thank our Lord Jesus Christ for his great sacrifice.

Alleluia! Praise the Lord!

We offer prayers of thanksgiving for our Presiding Bishop, Michael, for Bishop Megan, for our diocese, our congregation, and for Father Mack, Deacon Cookie, and our seminarian Katherine.

We offer our thanks and prayers.

We offer our prayers for our nation, and for all nations of the world. We pray for healing for all who are wounded in body, mind, or spirit, and we pray that there be peace among God's people.

We offer up our prayers.

We pray for our community and all who live in it. We give thanks for springtime flowers, and for the trees waking up from their winter slumber. We pray for the rebirth of businesses, having long suffered due to the pandemic.

We pray for rebirth.

With the blessings that come with Easter, may we pray and offer words of hope to all who long for homes, health, and better finances. May we all be friends to the friendless, and celebrate kinship with all people.

Lord, let us help each other and honor our diversity.

We offer our prayers and thanks for this Eastertide. Our prayers also go out for (read prayer list here). Blessed Lord, our strength and our Redeemer, all glory to you now and forever. *Thank you, Christ Jesus*.

The celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Deacon Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn

Hymnal 529

"In Christ there is no East or West..."

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in him no South or North, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

2 Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be! Who serves my Father as his child is surely kin to me.

3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in him meet South and North, all Christly souls are one in him, throughout the whole wide earth.

Doxology

Hymnal 380 v.3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

In this prayer, the lines in italics are spoken by the People.

The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace. *By his blood, he reconciled us.*

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

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

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Sarah, Rebecca, Leah and Rachel, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN*.

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

People and Celebrant

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal S-119

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.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S-154

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

No matter who you are, whom you love, or where you are on your journey, we invite ALL people to join us at God's table for Holy Communion. If you do not wish to receive Communion, but would like a blessing, please come to the railing and cross your arms on your chest.

Communion Hymn

Hymnal 304

"I come with joy to meet my Lord..."

- 1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free, in awe and wonder to recall, his life laid down for me.
- 2. I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed, the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.
- 3. As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud division ends.
 The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends.
- 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence, always near, is in such friendship better known, we see and praise him here.

5. Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways and as his people in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *Amen*.

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. *Amen*.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen*.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen

Announcements, Birthday and Anniversary Offerings: Zoey Jones (5/18), Tony Yang (5/18), Tara McCord (5/20), Aric Breaw (5/21)

"Jesus Christ is risen today..."

- 1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!
- 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!
- 3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured, Alleluia! now above the sky he's king, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!
- 4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as his love, Alleluia! praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

Dismissal

THE ALTAR FLOWERS and THE SANCTUARY LAMP burns to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the life of Pearl Walters.

TODAY'S SERVERS:

Altar Guild: Kathleen Cocuzza, Maxine Wakefield

8:00 Lector & Acolyte: Kathleen Cocuzza

10:00 Lector & Acolyte: Valerie smith

Epiphany exists to meet the spiritual and physical needs of the community as we share God's love by feeding ALL.

Join us on Zoom for Noon Coffee Hour To join Zoom Meeting: https://zoom.us/j/94902048842

Birthday Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

For Travelers

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Anniversary Prayer

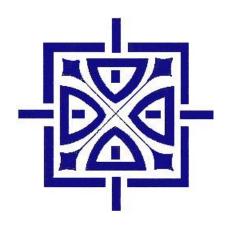
O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



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