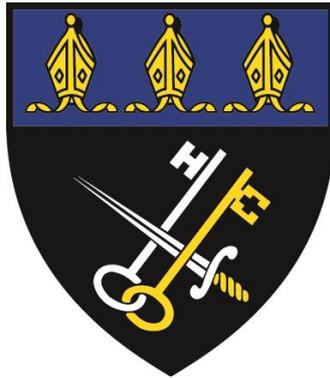


**LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL
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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

11.15 am

Sunday 2nd May 2021

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
Rogation Sunday

Welcome to the Cathedral!

It is now a legal requirement to wear a face covering during worship unless you have a recognised / acknowledged reason not to wear one.

Please do everything you can to follow the guidelines and instructions as closely as possible, keeping 2 metres between households.

The rows you can use are spaced out at 2 metres apart so please use them as a guide.

Hand sanitiser is available at the west door and at the south east door.

You can help us to keep everyone safe, by voluntarily completing a card with your contact details (one per household). This will enable us if necessary, to implement the 'track and trace' guidelines.

Please do not congregate in the aisles or outside the doors.

At the end of the service we all need to disperse quickly and safely, and not gather in groups within the building or outside.

You may print this order of service or follow it on a mobile device - if you are using a 'phone or tablet please ensure the sound is switched off.

QR codes are available to help you find the order of service on your mobile device.

THE GATHERING

Stand

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

**Father of glory, holy and eternal,
look upon us now in power and mercy.
May your strength overcome our weakness,
your radiance transform our blindness,
and your Spirit draw us to that love
shown and offered to us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

As we prepare to celebrate this Eucharist,
let us confess our sins to God our Father:

KYRIE ELEISON

Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison.

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

Communion Service in E (Collegium Regale)
Harold Darke (1881-1976)

Silence

Heavenly Father,
we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and have failed to do what we ought to have done.
We are sorry and truly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us,
forgive us all that is past and lead us in his way
to walk as children of light. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you and set you free from sin, strengthen you in goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All stand as the choir sings:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen

THE COLLECT AND READINGS FOR TODAY

The Fifth Sunday of Easter – 2nd May 2021

The Collect

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.

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, ‘Get up and go towards 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.

Acts 8.26-40

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22. 25-31

My praise is of thee in the great congregation:
my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied:
they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; may your heart live for ever.

Let all the ends of the world remember and be turned unto the Lord:
and let all the families of the nations worship before him.

For all the dominion is the Lord's:
and he is the Governor among the nations.

As for them that sleep in the earth, how shall they worship him:
all they that go down into the dust, how shall they kneel before him?

But my life shall be preserved in his sight and my children shall worship him:
they shall tell of the Lord unto the generations to come.

And unto a people that shall be born shall they declare his righteousness:
that he hath brought it to pass.

A reading from the first letter of Saint John.

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 Saviour 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 judgement, 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

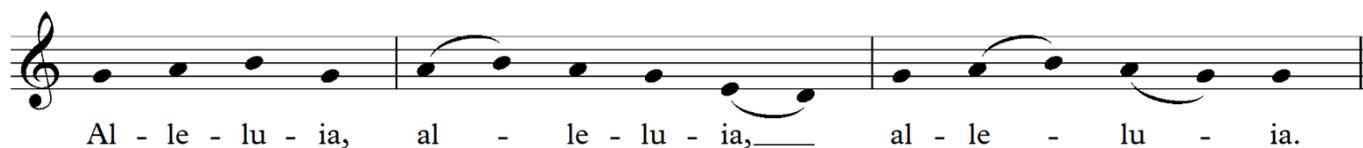
not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

1 John 4.7-21

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

All stand as the choir sing the Gospel Acclamation:



Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. 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.'

John 15.1-8

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

THE SERMON

We stand

THE 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,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who 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 INTERCESSIONS

We sit or kneel for the prayers.

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Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

The prayers finish with:

Merciful Father,

**Accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

THE PEACE

*We **stand** and acknowledge each other's presence.*

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,
Peace be with you! They were overjoyed on seeing the Lord.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Please remain standing as the choir sings:

OFFERTORY MOTET

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.

Words: Song of Solomon 2.3b&4

Music: Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

THE THANKSGIVING

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given
and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.
Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine
and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.
Blessed be God for ever.

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 our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy
at all times and in all places
to give you thanks, holy Father,
all-powerful and ever living God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Because in his victory over death a new age has dawned,
the long reign of sin is ended,
a broken world is being renewed
and we are once again made whole.

And so with the hosts of angels and all the company of heaven
we proclaim the glory of your name
and join in their unending hymn of praise:

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts 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.*

All praise and thanks to you, true and living God,
Creator of all things, Giver of life.
You formed us in your own image;
but we have marred that image and fall short of your glory.

We give you thanks
that you sent your Son to share our life;
you gave him up to death that the world might be saved,
and you raised him from the dead
that we might live in him and he in us.

Sanctify with your Spirit this bread and wine, your gifts to us,
that they may be for us the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread,
and when he had given thanks
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying,
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you:
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way after supper he took the cup,
and when he had given thanks
he gave it to them, saying,

Drink from this, all of you,
for this is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins:
do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come in glory.

As he has commanded us, Father, we remember Jesus Christ, your Son.
Proclaiming his victorious death, rejoicing in his resurrection
and waiting for him to come in glory we bring to you this bread, this cup.
Accept our sacrifice of thanks and praise.

Restore and revive your people, renew us and all for whom we pray
with your grace and heavenly blessing,
and at the last receive us with all your saints
into that unending joy promised by your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

As our Saviour has taught us, boldly we pray:

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.

THE COMMUNION

The priest breaks the bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body
for we all share in one bread.**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Draw near and receive the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ,
broken and given for you. Feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Those who wish to, come forward to receive communion or a blessing. Only consecrated bread (the Host) will be offered in communion. Please extend your hands as far as possible. The Priest will pray words of blessing silently over children and those who are not receiving communion.

During communion, the choir sings:

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

COMMUNION MOTET

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.

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.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)

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.

Music: Richard Lloyd (1933-2021)
Richard Lloyd died on the 24th April 2021

THE SENDING OUT

Remain standing

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious:
his love is everlasting.

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

God of truth,
we have seen with our eyes
and touched with our hands the bread of life.
Strengthen our faith
that we may grow in love for you and for each other,
through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

God the Father,
by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,
strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you always. **AMEN.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

In the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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