

## Welcome

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*A note on our worship guide notation: Language that is centered (or shown with a hymnal reference or musical notation) is chanted or sung; language in bold type is spoken or sung by the congregation.*

## Prelude

Sarabande sacrae  
*Arthur Wills*

## Processional Hymn

*Hymnal 304*

*[Please stand as you are able]*

- 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.  
That 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.**

## Opening Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

## Collect for Purity

*BCP 355*

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 Gloria

*Hymnal S278*

**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

BCP 225

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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.**

## Lesson

*Acts 11:1-18*

*[You may be seated]*

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.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 148



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

Mountains and all hills, \*  
fruit trees and all cedars;

Praise him all you angels of his; \*  
praise him all his host.

Wild beasts and all cattle, \*  
Creeping things and winged birds;

Praise him sun and moon; \*  
praise him all you shining stars.

kings of the earth and all peoples, \*  
princes and all rulers of the world;

Praise him heaven of heavens, \*  
and you waters above the heavens.

Young men and maidens, \*  
— old and young together.

Let them praise the Name of the LORD; \*  
for he commanded and they were created.

Let them praise the Name of the Lord, \*  
For his Name only is exalted, his splendor  
is over earth and heaven.

He made them stand fast forever and ever; \*  
he gave them a law which shall  
not pass away.

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!

Praise the Lord from the earth, \*  
You sea-monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and fog, \*  
Tempestuous wind doing his will;

## Lesson

*Revelation 21:1-6*

*[You may be seated]*

A Reading from the Book of Revelation.

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."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*[Please stand as you are able]*

## Gospel Hymn

*Hymnal 529*

- 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.**

## Gospel

*John 13:31-35*

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

**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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

*[You may be seated after  
the sermon opening prayer]*

## Nicene Creed

BCP 326

*[Please stand as you are able]*

**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 *Form III, BCP 387*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly  
and humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word  
and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the  
nations of the world, especially Joe our President,  
Kevin our Governor, and David our Mayor;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we under-  
take;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief  
or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*[Intercessions]*

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into  
joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly king-  
dom.**

*[The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.]*

## Peace

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

*[You may share a greeting of peace  
with those near you. If you prefer to share the peace  
without physical contact with others, please hold  
your hands together in a prayer position or cross  
your arms over your chest.]*

## Children's Message

*[Please be seated.]*

## Graduate Recognition

## Announcements

## Offertory Sentence

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

*[Please place your offering in the alms basin, or send a text message to 73256 and enter Stpaulsokc\$ and an amount.]*

## Offertory Anthem

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth:  
for the first heaven and the first earth  
were passed away;  
and there was no more sea.

And I John saw the holy city,  
new Jerusalem, coming down from God  
out of heaven,  
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying,  
Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men,  
and he will dwell with them,  
and they shall be his people,  
and God himself shall be with them,  
and be their God.

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;  
and there shall be no more death,  
neither sorrow, nor crying,  
neither shall there be any more pain:  
for the former things are passed away.

*Text: Revelation 21:1-4*

*Music: Edgar Bainton (1880-1956)*

## Presentation Hymn

*[Please stand as you are able.]*



## The Great Thanksgiving

*BCP 372*

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 God thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

# Sanctus

*Hymnal S128*

**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.**

*[Please stand or kneel as you are able]*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Paul and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.  
**AMEN.**

## The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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

**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.**

## The Fraction

Hymnal S154

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

*[You may be seated]*

## Invitation to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## Communion of the People

*During this season of coronavirus, each communicant should decide their preferred form of communion. You may receive bread only, bread and wine, or a contact-free blessing. For bread only, cross your arms over your chest after receiving the bread. If you choose to receive wine, you may consume the bread and then sip from the chalice, or extend your hands with the bread given to you to the chalice-bearer who will intinct, or dip, the bread into the wine and place it in your mouth. You may not intinct the bread yourself. Our tradition tells us that to receive communion in one kind (bread or wine) is to receive communion fully.*

*You may receive communion at the altar rail, either kneeling or standing. Please reserve the accessibility station by the baptismal font for those who cannot access the altar rail.*

*Please sanitize your hands before and after receiving. If you wish to refrain from communion, you may come forward to receive a contact free blessing. Cross your arms over your chest to indicate you would like a blessing.*

*If you require a gluten-free wafer please tell the priest when you come forward.*

## Communion Hymn

Hymnal 576

**God is love, and where true love is  
God himself is there.**

**1. Here in Christ we gather,  
love of Christ our calling.  
Christ, our love, is with us,  
gladness be his greeting.**

**Let us fear and love him, holy God eternal.  
Loving him, let each love Christ in one another.**

**2. When we Christians gather,  
members of one Body,  
let there be in us no discord but one spirit.  
Banished now be anger, strife and every quarrel.  
Christ, our God, be always present here among us.**

**3. Grant us love's fulfillment,  
joy with all the blessed,  
when we see your face, O Savior, in its glory.  
Shine on us, O purest Light of all creation,  
be our bliss while endless ages sing your praises.**



## **Sending Out of Lay Eucharistic Visitors**

We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

## **Post-Communion Prayer** *BCP 365*

*[Please kneel as you are able]*

Let us pray.

**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.**

## **Easter Blessing** *Book of Occasional Services*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting 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 of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## **The Dismissal**

Alleluia, Alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

## **Closing Hymn**

*Hymnal 623*

*[Please stand as you are able]*

- 1. O what their joy and their glory must be, those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see; crown for the valiant, to weary ones rest: God shall be all, and in all ever blest.**
- 2. Truly, "Jerusalem" name we that shore, city of peace that brings joy evermore; wish and fulfillment are not severed there, nor do things prayed for come short of the prayer.**
- 3. There, where no troubles distraction can bring, we the sweet anthems of Zion shall sing; while for thy grace, Lord, their voices of praise thy blessed people eternally raise.**
- 4. Now, in the meanwhile, with hearts raised on high, we for that country must yearn and must sigh, seeking Jerusalem, dear native land, through our long exile on Babylon's strand.**
- 5. Low before him with our praises we fall, of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all; of whom, the Father; and in whom, the Son; through whom, the Spirit, with them ever One.**

## **Postlude**

Joyful Finale  
*Colin Mawby*

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of  
God by Joann Speers in celebration of the birth of  
Callum Brian Speers,  
son of Alex and Mallory Speers.

The bread and wine are given to the glory of God  
by the Altar Guild in honor of the retirement of  
Molly Rieger.

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