

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024 | 8 & 10:30 a.m.



>> THE HOLY EUCHARIST ≪

Voluntary

Prelude and Fugue in A major, J. S. Bach

At the sound of the bell, all stand.

Introit (10:30 a.m.)

Praise ye the Lord, ye children, Christopher Tye

Praise the Lord, ye children: praise ye the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord for evermore. The Lord's name is praised from the East unto the West. The Lord is high above all nations: and his glory is above the heavens.

In Procession, Hymn 432

"O praise ye the Lord!"

Laudate Dominum

>> THE LITURGY OF THE WORD ≪

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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 Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Silence.

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.**

All sit.

The Lesson Acts 8:26-40

Reader A reading from the Book of Acts

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward 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.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:24-30

All My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: "May your heart live for ever!"

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

For kingship belongs to the Lord; he rules over the nations.

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before him.

My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that he has done.

A Repeating Alleluia (10:30 a.m.)

Calvin Hampton

The Holy Gospel

John 15:1-8

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

A Repeating Alleluia is sung again after the reading of the Gospel.

All sit.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Linda Privitera

A period of silence is kept.

All stand.

The Nicene Creed

All 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.

The Prayers of the People

Leader Eternal One, we thank you for your Son Jesus who said to us, "Follow Me." Jesus led

us to serve others, to heal, to give generously and to speak of your love. Jesus gave up

his life, dying to this world so that he could show us the way to eternal life.

Jesus, Redeemer of the world,

People Let us rise with you.

Leader We ask for healing for all who suffer from illness of any kind, from loneliness,

addiction or despair.

Jesus, Healer of the sick,

People Let us rise with you.

Leader We ask for peace from the streets of this city throughout the world, for peace in the

Middle East, Ukraine, Congo, Sudan and all areas of the world torn by war

and violence.

Jesus, Giver of peace,

People Let us rise with you.

Leader We ask you to give us the courage and wisdom to curb our consumption and care for

this planet.

Jesus, who lived simply upon this Earth,

People Let us rise with you.

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may rise to the life eternal.

Jesus, who lives eternally,

People Let us rise with you.

The Celebrant concludes the prayers.

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greet one another with the peace of Jesus.

Welcome and Announcements



As the altar is prepared for Communion, please place your offering in the collection plate as it is passed. You may also give by texting jaxcathedral \$(amount) to 73256. Or use the QR code to give online. Thank you for your generosity.

> THE HOLY COMMUNION ←

The Offertory Anthem (10:30 a.m.)

Come, my way, my truth, my life, William H. Harris

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.

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. - George Herbert

Hymn 380 (8 a.m., Stanza 3)

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Old 100th

Hymn 212 (10:30 a.m., Stanzas 1-3)

"Awake, arise, lift up your voice"

Richmond

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to

be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we

gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

Sanctus (Sung three times)

Holy, Holy, Holy, My Heart *WLP 785*





All stand or kneel.

Celebrant

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory. Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favor on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, O loving Father, forever and ever. Amen. And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All

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.

Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

Celebrant Alleluia! Jesus is known to us in the breaking of the bread.

People Therefore let us share in the feast. Alleluia!

Celebrant 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.

All who long for God are welcome to receive communion. Please let clergy know if you would like a glutenfree wafer. Everyone is welcome to come to the altar for a blessing, indicated by folding your arms across your chest. If you would like to receive communion and are unable to come to the altar, please ask an usher for assistance. You are also invited to receive prayers in our chapel to the left of the altar.

Music at Communion (10:30 a.m.)

Organ Sonata No. 4 in B-flat, Felix Mendelssohn

III. Allegretto

Hymn 315 "Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray" Song I

Psalm 22:25-32 Matthew Camidge

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All

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

Celebrant The blessing of God Almighty be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

All stand.

In Procession, Hymn 623

"O what their joy and their glory must be" *O quanta qualia*

The Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Voluntary

Sonata No. 4 in B-flat, Felix Mendelssohn IV. Allegro maestoso e vivace



The flowers at the High Altar are given to the Glory of God.

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> EVENTS ≪

Sunday, April 28 St. George's Day Choral Evensong & Artist Reception

5 p.m. | Cathedral

An annual tradition at St. John's to celebrate the patron saint of England featuring the Cathedral Choir and Brass directed by Tim Tuller and the Jacksonville Pipes and Drums. Color Guard provided by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. A reception follows in Taliaferro Hall for Emma Greenhill and Jenny Noble Anderson, artists of the exhibition RISE!

Sunday, May 12
First Coast Wind Ensemble
Mother's Day Concert
5 p.m. | Reception following

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Our nursery is staffed with trained caregivers for infants and toddlers up to 3 years old every Sunday from 9 a.m. to Noon.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Christian formation for ages 4 through 12th grade is offered at 10:30 a.m. All are invited to meet in the Narthex to process behind the choir down the aisle and out to their various classrooms. We rejoin the worship service at the time of The Peace.

PASTORAL CARE AND PRAYER

The prayer line is always open. Please let us know what you need and how we can pray for you. Many parishioners appreciate our clergy being with them prior to surgery. If you are having a medical procedure and would like pre-op prayers, please call the church office (904) 356-5507.

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Sunday Programs during the 9 a.m. Education Hour

Breakfast, Coffee Station

Stop by for coffee and breakfast. Take it to your class or enjoy it in the Sunday Flex Cafe.

Digital Disciples, Zoom

Sign up links for this online class are sent in the Eagle and by email on Sunday mornings.

Dean's Forum, Taliaferro Hall

From April 21-May 19, the Dean's Forum topic will be RISE! to Wellness.

A Study of The Book of Common Prayer, Cummings Chapel

Led by the Rev. Kurt Dunkle

Sunday Flex Café, Ingram Lounge

Families will find a haven in the Sunday Flex Café. Drop in as you please from 9 to 10:15 a.m. Grab some breakfast and unwind in cozy surroundings while children (ages 4 through 5th Grade) engage in creative activities.

Undercroft open for Teens