



The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

10:00 am

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*Deepening our relationships with God, each other,
and the wider community.*

The Holy Eucharist

Rite II

Prelude

Welcome, and announcements.

Hymn #208 *The strife is o'er, the battle done* (The Hymnal 1982)

Antiphon (at the beginning)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ped.

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -
2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
*3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es
4 He closed the yaw - ing gates of hell, the bars from
5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
 2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly
 3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our
 4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his
 5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Antiphon (at the end)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ped.

Words: Latin, 1695; tr. Francis Pott (1832-1909), alt. Music: *Victory*, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594); adapt. and arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

The Celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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.

Canticle 20, Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis *John Rutter*
Wonder, Love, and Praise #900

7 Glo-ry to God in the

12 high- est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

18 Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty

23 God_ and Fa- ther, we wor - ship you, we

29 give you thanks, we praise you for_ your glo- ry.

36 Lord Je- sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa- ther,

44 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a way the sin

57 of the world: have mer- cy on us; you are sea- ted

at the right hand of the Fa- ther: re- ceive our prayer.

59

64 — For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, —

69 you a - lone are the Lord, — you a -

75 lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

80 Ho - ly Spi - rit, — in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - - men. —

The Lord be with you
And also with you.
 Let us pray.

The collect of the day is found in the insert.

The Lessons

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles 4:5-12 - *see insert.*

Psalm 23 - *see insert.*

A Reading from the First Book of John 3:16-24- *see insert.*

Gospel Acclamation *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah*

(*Enriching Our Music*, #119)

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

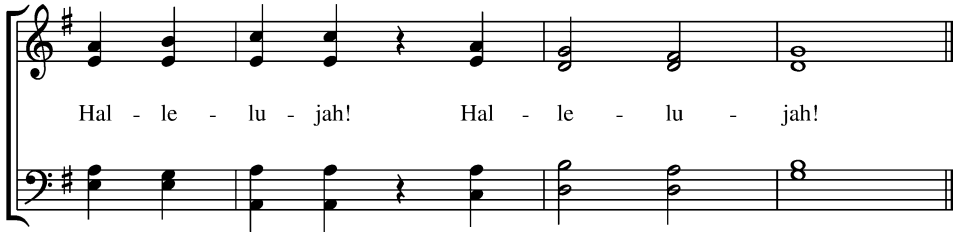
The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff contains a vocal line with lyrics: "Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!". The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines.

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

The second system continues the musical piece with the same vocal line and accompaniment as the first system.

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!
Hal - le - lu - jah!

The third system concludes the piece. The vocal line includes a final phrase "Hal - le - lu - jah!" with a fermata over the final note. The bass staff accompaniment also concludes with a final chord.



The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you Lord Christ.

The Gospel reading is found in the insert.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you Lord Christ.

The Sermon

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. 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

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Shannon our Bishop; and
for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in
your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution.

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

The clergy and people exchange greetings with one another in the name of the Lord.

St John's in the Mountains is grateful for your presence with us today. We are fortunate for the generous financial gifts we have received, from you, our dear parishioners and friends. Please consider continued giving to St John's in the Mountains. For those online or at home if you wish to make a gift, please do so through our website www.stjohnsinthemountains.org.

Hymn #188 *Love's redeeming work is done* (The Hymnal 1982)



1 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.
2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; where, O death, is now thy sting?
3 Soar we now where Christ has led, fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head;



Death in vain for - bids him rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
Once he died our souls to save, where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?
made like him, like him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Savannah*, from *Harmonia Sacra*, ca. 1760.

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his

rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of pow - er and might, _____ hea - ven and earth are

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na _____ in the high - est.

Blessed is the one

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

Lord. _____ Ho - san - na _____ in the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him,

you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed John the Baptist and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of

the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we sing,

F C⁶ F Dm⁷ F/C B^b

piano Our Fa - ther in hea-ven, — hal - low-ed

8 Gm⁷ C(sus4) C⁷ A^b(sus2) D^b A^b

be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be

14 D^b G G⁷ C C⁷ F

done, on earth as it is in heav'n. Give us to -

20 C/F F B^b F F⁷ B^b F/A

day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins — as

25 Gm⁷ F C Dm B^b

we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the

30 Am B^b Am E^b

time of trial, de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king -

35 F E^b F E^b D^b Gm⁷

dom and the glo - ry are yours, — now and for -

41 C B^b B^b(sus2) Gm⁷(sus4) F

ev - er. — A - - men. —

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread, then says,

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

The Celebrant then says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy food for holy people. Come, the banquet is prepared for you.

The journey of life leads all people into a relationship with God. All present, from the youngest to the most senior, and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, are welcome to receive the bread and wine of Jesus Christ. If you wish to receive the bread, please hold out your hand for the wafer. For sanitary purposes, please sip from the chalice and do not dip the wafer into the wine. If you wish to receive the wine in an individual cup, please tell the chalice bearer. If you wish to come forward for a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

Communion Instrumental

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

The 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.**

Hymn #304 *I come with joy to meet my Lord* (The Hymnal 1982)

Unison or harmony

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
 2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty
 3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us
 4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship
 5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
 4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.
 5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

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The Dismissal

Let us bless go forth in the name of the Risen Lord.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Prelude: *Prelude in C Major, Book 1 of WTC, J.S. Bach*

Postlude: *Fantasia- Presto, G.F. Handel*

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