

Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 2, 2021

Prelude *Ubi Caritas et Amor (Where There is Charity and Love)* Maurice Durufle

Opening Hymn 487 “Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life”

1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a
 2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a
 3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a

way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all
 light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in
 joy as none can move; such a love as none can

strife; such a life as kill - eth death.
 length; such a strength as makes _____ his guest.
 part; such a heart as joys _____ in love.

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The people standing, the Celebrant says
 Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant
 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.*

Glory to God

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For



you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the



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



God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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

Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says the Collect.

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.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles 8:26-40

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.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:24-30

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

- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD'S for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

A Reading from the first letter of John 4:7-21

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 Savior 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 judgment, 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.

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People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 576 “Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling”

Descant (after stanzas 2 and 3)

God is love, God is love,

Refrain

God is love, and where true love is

1-3 || *Final Ending*

God him - self is there. there._____

God him - self is there. there._____

1 Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing.
 2 When we Chris - tians gath - er, mem - bers of one Bo - dy,
 3 Grant us love's ful - fill - ment, joy with all the bless - ed,

Christ, our love, is with us, glad - ness be his greet - ing.
 let there be in us no dis - cord but one spi - rit.
 when we see your face, O Sa - vior, in its glo - ry.

Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.
 Ban - ished now be an - ger, strife and ev - ery quar - rel.
 Shine on us, O pur - est Light of all cre - a - tion,

Repeat Refrain

Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.
 Christ, our God, be al - ways pres - ent here a - mong us.
 be our bliss while end - less a - ges sing your prais - es.

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The Gospel

John 15:1-8

All standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying,

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."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

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

Sermon

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

Cherishing the reality of our salvation and rejoicing in the new life we have in the Risen Christ, we shout, Alleluia! Amen!

We lift our hands and our hearts to you this day, O God, and raise our voices in shouts of praise. May our joy overflow into the world you love, that all might know you and your mighty works.
We humbly praise you Almighty God, Alleluia! Amen!

We bring before you the members and leaders of your church, the Body of Christ. Expand in us your compassionate heart. Fix our gaze on your glory and focus us on you and your mission.
We humbly praise you, Almighty God, Alleluia! Amen!

We raise up Victoria and Kate, aspirants for holy orders, as they explore the various options which lie before them. Help them to listen openly to others and to pay attention to what is in the depth of their own hearts. In this way, may they hear Your call to a way of life which will allow them to love and serve others according to their gifts.
We humbly praise you, Almighty God, Alleluia! Amen!

Let the whole world know of your goodness through the actions of the leaders of the world. May all peoples live together in peace with equity and justice. May we be a blessing to this earth and it's peoples by being examples of integrity and kindness, truth and justice.
We humbly praise you, Almighty God, Alleluia! Amen!

Shower these people with your healing grace:..., Bring them comfort and confidence in your presence. Bless the efforts of those who care for them. Receive into your presence those who have died, *especially...* Welcome them into your glorious, eternal light.
We humbly praise you, Almighty God, Alleluia! Amen!

Created in your image and for your purpose; Saved from rising waters and raised to newness in the waters of life. We pray for...who are celebrating their birthdays this week, and for... who are celebrating their anniversary.
We humbly praise you, Almighty God. Alleluia! Amen!

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

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

Greetings and Announcements

Spiritual Communion

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
People and Celebrant
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial,
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours
 now and for ever. Amen.

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. *Amen.*

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant Let us pray.

People and Officiant

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 657 “Love divine, all loves excelling”

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
 2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
 3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

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The Deacon or Celebrant, dismisses the people.

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia.
 People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

Fantasy on Hyfrydol

Ralph Vaughan Williams

The Sunday News
May 2, 2021

Creation Care: Each one of us can recycle, pick up litter and dispose of it properly. Reduce plastic waste. Plant trees. We can switch to renewable energy sources for our homes and businesses. St. Patrick's is going to continue our "Earth Day" commitment throughout May. Creation Care will be collecting desktops, laptops, iPads plus handheld electronics such as MP3 players, tablets, and cellphones all this month as well. If the device is usable, it will be put in the Rummage Sale. The rest will be recycled. If you have any questions: contact Charlie Horton (charliehorton6083@gmail.com) or Betty Lyle(bblyle3@gmail.com)

Chemo Caps Ministry: Volunteers needed. Caps will be available for family, friends, and others who might need them. Watch for the Chemo Cap basket in the doorway narthex. Questions? Email rosewalker162@gmail.com

Search Committee Update:

Happy Spring, everyone! The Search Committee is working to complete our St. Patrick's Parish Profile. We are selecting photographs and tweaking the wording to create the most accurate and compelling portrait of our St. Patrick's community. We continue to ask for your prayers and thank you for your faith and patience in this process.

Join us on May 9th at 9:30am for an Outdoor Service (Weather Permitting) as we celebrate Mothering Sunday and honor this year's High School Graduates.

Interfaith National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 6th at 7pm on Zoom

Join us for the Interfaith National Day of Prayer through SAIL, the [Safe Alliance of Interfaith Leaders](#). Speakers from different faith traditions will share how the events of the past year have shaped their prayer lives, as well as the spiritual practices that have helped strengthen their faith. Join us in community, learning, and praying together via Zoom!

Register to receive the Zoom link to this event on Thursday, May 6. Click [HERE](#) to register.

Education

Adult Forum – Join us at 11:00am on Zoom for The Way of Love. Through the use of images and videos, small group discussion, and reflection we are exploring the 7- practices of the Way of Love: Turn, Learn, Pray, Worship, Bless, Go, Rest. This week LEARN. By reading the scriptures, taking time to study, listen, and absorb what they say, we are entering into the long, deep, stream of humankind's experiences with God. How will you start learning on the Way of Love? <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83896041789>

EYC Sunday Nights returns to Zoom at 6:30pm. The link is mailed to youth and parents weekly. Contact Mother Cameron to receive youth emails.

Children's Chapel to Go Bags. Contact Mother Cameron if you would like one.
Virtual Children's Chapel is a way to engage with Children's Christian formation on-line. Access the Virtual Children's Chapel via this [link](#).

Outreach

Dublin Food Pantry Drop items in the wagon in the breezeway of the church. At the top of the list, and the most needed item is Condensed Soups. Please pick up some extra cans when you go to the grocery. Other needs are Canned vegetables – just not green beans, Canned beans – black, kidney, pinto, etc. and deodorant. Or, contribute online: [Food Pantry](#)

Birthdays this Week

Danny Barnhouse	Jill Collins	Victoria Lewis	Christina Sladoje
David Cline	Steve Keeran	Gavin Murphy	Jo Yuhas
Lyla Cline	Mike Kennedy	Julie Rinaldi	Emily Zinfon

Anniversaries this Week

Tim & Molly Carty	Fritz & Deb Monroe
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On the Calendar	Worship Team
<p><u>Sunday, May 2</u> Worship Service at 9:30 a.m. Sacred Circle at 11:00 a.m. Adult Forum at 11:00 a.m. EYC at 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><u>Monday, May 3</u> EfM Extension at 9:30 a.m. EfM "Survivors" at 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><u>Tuesday, May 4</u> Men's Group at 7:00 a.m. Staff Meeting at 10:30 a.m. EfM at 7:00 p.m. Sacred Circle 1 at 7:30 p.m.</p> <p><u>Wednesday, May 5</u> Spiritual Direction at 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist at 12:00 p.m. Rector Search Committee at 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><u>Thursday, May 6</u> Later in the Day Saints at 10:00 a.m. National Day of Prayer Event at 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p><u>9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist</u> Celebrant: The Rev. Elizabeth Hoster Preacher: The Rev. Elizabeth Hoster Lay Reader: Lynne Colcombe Music Director: Jennifer Bell</p> <p><u>Calendar Key</u> Red: Streamed on You Tube and will be available there and posted on Facebook after the service if there is a disruption in the streaming. Blue: Meeting via Zoom invitation. If you would like to participate in a Zoom and do not receive a link, please contact the clergy. Black: In person event with safety precautions in place and services will also be live-streamed if inside. If you would like to attend in-person services indoors-PLEASE register in advance.</p>