

Christ Church Cathedral † Nashville, Tennessee

May 2, 2021 5 Easter, Year B

PRELUDE Jerry Kimbrough

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bienvenidos a todos

- We are so glad you have joined us this evening and we hope you make yourself comfortable and enjoy an ancient service of worship in a casual context.
- The offering you submit online this evening will represent the first fruits of your life and labor dedicated to God. It will be used for the work of God's kingdom at the corner of 9th and Broadway and beyond.
- We are celebrating the service of Holy Eucharist, An Order for Holy Communion, which begins on (*BCP*, *p 355*).

AN ORDER FOR CELEBRATING THE HOLY EUCHARIST

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Leader † Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

SONG OF PRAISE

Let us Talents and Tongues Employ

F. Kaan/Jamaican folk tune

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy Bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard

Refrain

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: Loaves abound! Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: Loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one, at the table he sets the tone Teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express *Refrain*

Jesus calls us in, sends us out, bearing fruit in a world of doubt Gives us love to tell, bread to share; God (Im-man-u-el) everywhere! *Refrain*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Leader 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**.

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON - 1 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN Blest be the tie that binds Fawcett/Naegeli

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares

When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again

THE GOSPEL LESSON - John 15:1-8

Reader 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 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."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON – The Reverend Canon Matthew W. Lewis A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.

CONFESSION OF FAITH (BCP, p. 358)

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, FORM IV

The Leader and People pray responsively

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love and reveal your glory in the world. We pray For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; and John, the Bishop of Tennessee and for all the clergy and people. *Silence*

Risen Lord, in your glory. Hear our prayer.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we remember the Otey Memorial Parish, Sewanee; All Saints Chapel, Sewanee and Chapel of the Apostles, and St. Andrews' Sewanee School. *Silence*

Risen Lord, in your glory. Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land; and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for all those serving our country at home and abroad, and all those who suffer because of civil strife, that war may end, and peace be established. *Silence*

Risen Lord, in your glory. Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others, and to your honor and glory. Silence

Risen Lord, in your glory. Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Risen Lord, in your glory. Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. For all teachers, students, and administrators and all places of learning. *Silence*

Risen Lord, in your glory. **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled, and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Risen Lord, in your glory. Hear our prayer.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept.*

Leader and People

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 Worship Leader concludes with an absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

THE PEACE

Leader The peace of the Lord be always with you. La paz del Senor sea siempre ustedes.

People And also with you.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us here at Christ Church Cathedral for BreakingBread@6 every Sunday evening. You are also invited to join our private Facebook group here: https://bit.ly/2LQyZ0d

If you are new to the BreakingBread@6 community and would like to be on our weekly email update, sign up here: https://bit.ly/36pUy12

THE NEXT ZOOM COFFEE HOUR

The "BB@6 Zoom Coffee Hour" is from 5:00 to 5:50 p.m., the link will be provided in the weekly email update prior to that first Sunday of the month. The next Coffee Hour will be Sunday, June 6, 2021.

OFFERTORY MUSIC ____ _ Jerry Kimbrough



Scan this QR code with your phone or tablet. Scroll down and click on the yellow "Donate" button to leave your tithe and offering this morning.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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:

Celebrant and People

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, hosanna in the highest.

Land of Rest (trad. Appalachian folk tune)

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify † us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

People 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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader Let us pray.

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 EASTER BLESSING

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**.

CLOSING SONG You are the Vine Danny Daniels

You are the vine, we are the branches, keep us abiding in you you are the vine, we are the branches, keep us abiding in you

and we'll go in your love, and we'll go in your name that the world will surely know that you have power to heal and to save

you are the vine, we are the branches, keep us abiding in you you are the vine, we are the branches, keep us abiding in you

THE DISMISSAL

Leader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia!

WORSHIP LEADER

The Reverend Richard Wineland, Coordinator and Pastor for Breaking Bread@6

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