Sunday, May 10, 2020 Easter V, Year A Christ Church Cathedral Nashville, TN

Organ Voluntary Prelude in G Major Felix Mendelssohn [3:22]

pre-Liturgy of the Word announcements (Timothy)

The Holy Eucharist

Process from the side door to the sanctuary pausing to reverence the altar individually

Opening Acclamation [Timothy]

† 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*.

The Song of Praise [Lissa & Timothy]

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.

The Collect of the Day

Timothy The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Timothy 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*.

1st Lesson Acts 7:55-60

[Cary Ann Fuller & Phyllis Ellis 1:00]

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

[Christina, Nathan & Andrew Callaway 1:19]

- 1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; * deliver me in your righteousness.
- 2 Incline your ear to me; * make haste to deliver me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; * for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, * for you are my tower of strength.
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, * for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

15 My times are in your hand; * rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, * and in your loving-kindness save me."

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

2nd Lesson

1 Peter 2:2-10

[Amy & Emma Brewer 1:24]

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner",

and

"A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

> Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Lesson

John 14:1-14

[Dolores Nicholson 3:21]

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

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

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

The Sermon Lissa Smith

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, Form II

[Eran & Lucy Stanley 3:47]

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, and John, Bishop of Tennessee; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison, Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

Members of the congregation watching the video feed may offer the prayers or the thanksgivings

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, I ask your prayers for the Anglican Church of Kenya, *the Most Reverend Jackson Ole Sapit*, Primate and Archbishop of all Kenya. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we remember St. George's Church, Nashville.

Silence

I ask your prayers for Susan, Geoffrey, Poppy, Willodean, Ted, Patti, Rachel, Al, Jennifer, Laura, John, Doris, Ciaran & family, Sam, Mavis, Phyllis, Suzy, Corinio, William, Cassie, Ben, Jim, Juanita, Molly, Benetta, Judge, Jeff Agnes, Allan, Joe, Margaret, and Charlotte..

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who are caring for the sick and searching for a cure. Strengthen them with your Spirit, that through their work, many will be restored to health. Pray for those on the front lines.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died. †

Silence

I ask your thanksgiving for the birth of Willa, niece of Jay and Melissa Wellons; for the birth of George Henry Addington Gottfried, son of Edward and Kaye Gottfried, grandson of Roy Gottfried and Mary Stevens; and for the engagement of Alice LaBour and Andrew Fair.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

[Timothy]

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in this time of uncertainty and distress. Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen*.

The Confession of Sin

Then Lissa says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Lissa and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Timothy stands and says

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

The Announcements

Solo at the Offertory How lovely is thy dwelling place J.L. Macbeth Bain Callie Emery, soprano [1:58]

The Great Thanksgiving

Timothy

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Timothy

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to the Lord.

Timothy Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, Timothy 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:

Timothy 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.

The people stand.

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, Timothy 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 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:

Timothy and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Timothy 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*.

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

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed by 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.

Timothy breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

The Sacrament is distributed.

Solo at the Distribution

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life Matthew Youngblood, tenor Ralph Vaughn Williams [1:29]

The Postcommunion Prayer

Let us pray.

Timothy 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.

Hymn, Christ is made the sure foundation

[2:21]

You are invited to sing along at home.

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the Church in one; Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain; what they gain from thee, forever with the blessed to retain, and hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.

Timothy

The God of peace who brought 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—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—† be upon you and remain with you forever. *Amen*.

Lissa

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

Closing Voluntary

Johann Sebastian Bach

[3:39]

Celebrant: The Very Rev'd Timothy Kimbrough

Preacher: The Rev'd Lissa Smith

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Deacon Nicholson served Christ Church Cathedral as deacon from 2009 through 2017

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