

*The Cathedral Church of St. James
Diocese of Toronto • Anglican Church of Canada*

May 10, 2020: The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Hymn

Text: Horatius Bonar; Music: Melody English trad.; coll. Lucy Broadwood; Tune: Kingsfold

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus and I drank of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright."
I looked to Jesus and I found in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk till travelling days are done.

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Officiant May his grace and peace be with you.
People May he fill our hearts with joy.

Gloria

New English Folk Mass

Officiant Glory to God in the highest,
All 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.

Collect of the Day

Officiant Let us pray.

Please remain standing.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

The First Reading

1 Peter 2: 2-10

Reader 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.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm *Please remain seated.*

Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16—Plainsong

Cantor In you, O Lord, have I ta-ken re-fuge; *
let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righ-teous_ness.

All Incline your ear to me; *
make haste to de-li-ver_me.

Cantor Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my strong-hold; *
for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

All Take me out of the net that they have secret-ly set for me, *
 for you are my to-wer of strength.
Cantor Into your hands I com-mend my spi-rit, *
 for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God_of truth.
All My times are_in your hand; *
 rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
 and from those who per-se-cute me.
Cantor Make your face to shine u-pon your ser-vant, *
All and in your loving kind-ness save me.

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand, as you are able.

Cantor Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! *People* Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Cantor I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
 no one comes to the Father, but by me.
People Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Holy Gospel

John 14: 1-14

Gospeller The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
Gospeller 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.”

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ. *People* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

The Nicene Creed

Please stand, as you are able.

Officiant Let us confess our faith, as we say,
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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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.

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Offering Hymn

Text: William Williams; tr. Peter Williams, alt.;
Music: John Hughes; Tune: Cwm Rhondda

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more,
feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

Please be seated.

Anthem The Call

Ralph Vaughan Williams

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.

The Prayers of the People

Please stand, as you are able.

Please join in the response indicated by the Intercessor.

The Lord's Prayer

McNeil Robinson

Officiant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
All 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.

Confession and Absolution

Officiant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Please kneel, as you are able.

Officiant Most merciful God,
All 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 neighbours 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.

Officiant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

The Peace

Please stand, as you are able.

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Doxology

Officiant Glory to God,
All whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Officiant The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

People Amen.

Hymn

Text: Thomas A. Dorsey; Music: Melody George Nelson Allen;
arr. Thomas A. Dorsey; Tune: Precious Lord

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near;
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near,
and the day is past and gone,
at the river I stand; guide my feet, hold my hand:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Postlude Adoration

Florence Price

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