



THE CHURCH
OF ST. MICHAEL & ST. GEORGE

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The Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 3, 2022 10:00 AM

The Holy Eucharist

‡ *The service follows the Order for Holy Eucharist found on page 323 of The Book of Common Prayer*

‡ *The musical setting of the Mass Ordinary is the Communion Service in D of Leo Sowerby (1895–1968)*

Organ Voluntary

Choral Phrygian

Jehan Alain
(1911–1940)

Hymn at the Procession 398

FOREST GREEN

In today's lesson from the Old Testament, we hear that God will make a way in both the wilderness and the desert and the people whom he formed for himself might declare his praise. As we gather together, we sing this hymn of praise to our Creator.

Acclamation


Celebrant Bless † the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People His mercy endureth for ever.

‡ *All kneel*

The Decalogue

Celebrant God spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People  Lord, have mer-cy up - on us, and in - cline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant Honor thy father and thy mother.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant Thou shalt do no murder.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant Thou shalt not steal.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

People Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant Thou shalt not covet.



People



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us, and write all these thy laws in our
hearts, we be - seech thee.

¶ *The Deacon then says*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

¶ *Celebrant and People, all kneeling*

Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,
we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
spare thou those who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

¶ *The Celebrant alone stands and says*

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution ✠ and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit.

¶ *People Amen.*

g All stand

Trisagion

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The musical score is written in G minor (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems. The first system has two staves: a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The second system also has two staves with lyrics and piano accompaniment. The piano part features a simple harmonic accompaniment with a steady bass line and chords in the right hand.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, WHO ALONE canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *g People Amen.*

g Then all are seated

The Word of God

The Lesson

ISAIAH 43:16-21

THUS SAYS THE LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings forth chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: "Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126

In convertendo

TONE IV.4

♩ *The first half of each Psalm verse is sung by the Precentor; the second half is sung by all*



When the Lord turned again the captivi-ty of Sion, *
then were we *like unto them that dream.*

Then was our mouth *filled with laughter,* *
and *our tongue with shouts of joy.*

Then said they a-mong the heathen, *
The Lord *hath done great things for them.*

Yea, the Lord hath done great things for *us already;* *
— *and whereof we rejoice.*

Turn our captivi-ty, O Lord, *
as *the rivers in the south.*

They that *sow in tears* *
— *shall reap with Psalms of joy.*

He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth *forth good seed,* *
shall doubtless come again with joy, and *bring his sheaves with him.*

The Epistle

PHILIPPIANS 3:4b-14

IF ANY OTHER MAN THINKS HE HAS REASON for confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law a Pharisee, as to zeal a persecutor of the church, as to righteousness under the law blameless. But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as refuse, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own, based on law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith; that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that if possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brethren, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but one thing I do, forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

¶ *All stand for the singing of the Hymn and Gospel Procession*

Hymn at the Sequence 471

BRESLAU

We heard in today's Epistle that we count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ and that we might find and know him and the power of his resurrection. In this hymn we sing, "The sinner's hope let men deride, for this we count the world but loss."

The Gospel

JOHN 12:1-8

Gospeler ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

SIX DAYS BEFORE THE PASSOVER, Jesus came to Bethany, where Laz'arus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Laz'arus was one of those at table with him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said, "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

✠ *Following the Sermon, all stand and say together*

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped
and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead, ✠
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

‡ *All kneel*

The Prayers of the People

‡ *The Deacon says these Prayers*

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Have mercy we pray on those who now suffer the miseries of a war not of their own making. Have compassion on the wounded and dying; comfort the broken-hearted; confound the hatred and madness of those who make war; guide our rulers, bring war to an end, bring peace across the world. Unite us all under the reign of thy Son, the Prince of Peace, before whose judgement seat the rulers of the world will give account, and in whose name we pray.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Michael and all angels and George and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. ¶ *People Amen.*

¶ *All stand*

The Peace

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

Announcements

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The Holy Communion

Anthem at the Offertory

It is a thing most wonderful,
almost too wonderful to be,
that God's own Son should come from heaven,
and die to save a child like me.

And yet I know that it is true:
he chose a poor and humble lot,
and wept, and mourned, and toiled, and died,
for love of those who loved him not.

I sometimes think about the cross,
and shut my eyes, and try to see
the cruel nails and crown of thorns
and Jesus crucified for me.

But even could I see him die,
I could but see a little part
of that great love, which, like a fire,
is always burning in his heart.

And yet I want to love thee, Lord;
O light the flame within my heart,
that I may love thee more and more,
until I see thee as thou art.

Words: William Walsbam How (1823–1897)

Music: Philip Moore (b. 1943)

¶ *Then, as the Ushers come forward, all stand and make the following response*

℣. All things come of thee, O Lord;
℞. And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

¶ Celebrant and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, — Lord God of
Hosts, Heav'n and earth are full — of thy glo - ry:
Glo - ry be to — thee, O Lord Most High.
Bless - ed is he that com-eth in the Name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

¶ The People kneel

ALL GLORY BE TO THEE, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ’s holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled † with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. ¶ *All AMEN.*

The Lord's Prayer

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

♩ The Celebrant breaks the Bread and a period of silence is kept; then is sung

O Lamb of God, that— tak - est a -
way— the— sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. O Lamb of God, that—
tak - est a - way— the— sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of—
God, that— tak - est a - way the— sins of the
world,—— grant us—— thy peace.

The Prayer of Humble Access *♩ Said by all*

WE DO NOT PRESUME TO COME TO THIS THY TABLE, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Invitation and Ministration of Communion

- ¶ *All Christians baptized with water in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the Ushers on when to come forward to the Communion rail. Once kneeling at the rail, to receive the Bread, extend your palms, crossed and upward, and consume the Bread.*
- ¶ *Only the priest may intinct the Bread. If you wish, present the Bread to the priest and they will intinct for you.*
- ¶ *Those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion may come forward for a blessing; please indicate this to the Priest by crossing your arms over your chest.*

Anthem at the Communion

Sicut cervus desiderat
ad fontes aquarum:
ita desiderat anima mea
ad te, Deus.

*Like as the hart desireth
the water-brook:
so longeth my soul
after thee, O God.*

Sitivit anima mea ad Deum
fontem vivum:
quando veniam, et apparebo
ante faciem Dei?
Fuerunt mihi lachrymae meae
panes die ac nocte:
dum dicitur mihi quotidie,
Ubi est Deus tuus?

*My soul is athirst for God,
yea, even for the living God:
when shall I come to appear
before the presence of God?
My tears have been my meat
day and night:
While they daily say unto me,
Where is now thy God?*

Words: Psalm 42

Music: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c.1525-1594)

Hymn at the Communion 382 ¶ *Sung by all* GENERAL SEMINARY

The saints are only able to love our Lord because He first loved us. If we do not regard iniquity in our hearts and pray according to His will to answer, He will hear our prayers. He is our Savior above all else.

The Postcommunion Prayer ¶ *Said by all kneeling*

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Lenten Blessing

¶ The Celebrant says this Blessing and the People respond

May God the Father, who does not despise the broken spirit, give to you a contrite heart. *¶ People Amen.*

May Christ, who bore our sins in his body on the tree, heal you by his wounds. *¶ People Amen.*

May the Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth, speak to you words of pardon and peace. *¶ People Amen.*

The blessing ✠ of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *¶ People Amen.*

¶ All stand

The Dismissal *¶ The People are dismissed with these words*

℣. Let us bless the Lord.

℟. Thanks be to God.

Hymn at the Retiring Procession 675

BOURBON

As we depart and prepare to go out into the world, we sing this hymn which calls us to take up our cross and to follow Christ. “Take up thy cross, and follow on, Nor think till death to lay it down; For only he who bears the cross may hope to wear the glorious Crown.”

This Morning’s Liturgy

† Colors play an important part in the worship of the Church. The colors worn at The Church of St. Michael & St. George are drawn from colors worn in England before the Reformation. They change according to the seasons of the Church year and the liturgical tasks at hand. The vestments worn in the season of Lent are oxblood and unbleached linen representing penitence and fasting.

† Born into a musical family, Jehan Ariste Alain has an ambiguous legacy. He died in battle during the early days of World War II before reaching the age of thirty. Outstandingly gifted as a performer and composer, he left a small but substantial pile of works, mainly for the organ.

† Composed for Wakefield Cathedral, *It is a thing most wonderful* takes the text of W. Walsham How and sets it to a haunting but glorious and melasmatic melody that comes out of the organ and into the choir. The climax of the piece, describing the crucifixion, is dramatic in its choral writing as well as the organ aiding in the depiction of nails being nailed into the hands of Christ.

† Palestrina’s life and work centred around Rome. He was born in the nearby town of Palestrina, from which he took his name, trained as a choirboy in the Roman church of S. Maria Maggiore, appointed to prominent positions in the Roman musical establishment, and brought to international fame by his numerous publications, issued in the first instance from Rome. In 1551 he was appointed maestro of the Cappella Giulia, the choir of St. Peter’s Basilica. *Sicut cervus* has always been one of the most familiar of Palestrina’s motets, frequently reprinted and anthologized since the nineteenth century, and justly held up as a model of Renaissance imitative polyphony, in this case expressive of serene but fervent spiritual yearning.

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