



**CHRIST
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PARISH**
Lake Oswego, Oregon

Fifth Sunday of Easter

*April 28, 2024
10:00 am*

The Word of God

Voluntary

Tierce en Taille

Francois Couperin

Hymn in Procession

The day of resurrection!

Hymn 210

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

Presider Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity

BCP 355

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.

Hymn of Praise *This joyful Eastertide (v. 1)* **Hymn 192**

*This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow,
Had Christ, that once was slain, no'er burst his
three-day prison, our faith had been in vain;
but now is Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.*

Collect of the Day

BCP 225

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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 Lessons

The First Lesson

Acts 8:26-40

Lector A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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."

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

The people sit.

Psalm 22:24-30



Cantor: 24 My praise is of him in the | great as - | sembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of | those who | worship | him.

Choir: 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall | praise | him: *
"May your | heart | live for | ever!"

Cantor: 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the | LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall | bow be - | fore | him.

Choir: 27 For kingship belongs | to the | LORD; *
he | rules | over the | nations.

**All: 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth
bow | down in | worship; *
all who go down to the dust | fall be - | fore | him.**

Choir: 29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants | shall | serve him; *
they shall be known | as the | LORD's for | ever.

**All: 30 They shall come and make known to a people | yet un - | born *
the saving | deeds that | he has | done.**

The Second Lesson

1 John 4:7-21

Lector A Reading from the First Letter of John

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.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Hymn 492

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

The people stand.

The Gospel

John 15:1-8

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of the 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."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily **The Rev'd Brad Toebben**

Nicene Creed

BCP 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.

Prayers of the People

Prayer II

BCP 385

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

Intercessor

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops, +Michael our Presiding Bishop, +Diana our Bishop, for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

Intercessor

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

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Intercessor

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

Intercessor 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

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Intercessor 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

The Presider adds a concluding collect.

The Peace

BCP 360

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Greetings

Birthday Prayer

BCP 830

Watch over thy child, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand, comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Anniversary Prayer

BCP 431

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Great Thanksgiving

Offertory

I Am the Vine

Allen Pote

I am the vine and you are the branches

Abide in me and I will abide in you

Then you will bear much fruit

For without me you can do nothing

Abide in me and I will abide in you

As the Father has loved me, so I love you

Go then and love one another

Keep this commandment, for no greater love have you

Than to lay down your life for your friends

Presentation Hymn

Hymn 174, vs. 1-2

At the Lamb's high feast we sing

Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Presider **It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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:**

Sanctus

Hymn S-125

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.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Presider 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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Presider is to hold it, or to 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:

Presider and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider 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

BCP 364

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

All 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.**

Fraction Anthem

Hymn S-154

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion of the People

Communion will be received from the altar rail. Please stand or kneel as is our custom. The bread will be placed on your palm. Gluten-free wafers are available; please indicate to the priest if you require this alternative. Those who do not wish to receive communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion Anthem

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

David Cherwien

*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love
The unity of heart and mind
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*

*We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear*

*From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free
And perfect love and friendship reign
Through all eternity*

Communion Hymn

Hymn 318

Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 366

**All: Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Announcements

The Blessing

The Presider may offer a blessing

The Dismissal

The Presider dismisses the congregation, and the People respond,
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Hymn in Procession

Christ the Lord is risen again

Hymn 184

Voluntary

Scherzo

Alan Ridout

Please keep these people in your prayers this week.

Judy, Andrew, Michelle, Anselmo, Richard, Brad, Warrren

To Request a Prayer

Send an email to prayers@ccparish.org with your request.

Our Nursery is staffed with awesome volunteers this Sunday, April 28 during the 10 am service.

Sunday School classes for preschool through grade 5 are in session this Sunday, April 28. Bring your kids to their assigned classrooms at 10 am. We'll join you in the pew for communion.

The Sacred Donut does not meet this week.

The Journey of Parenting meets on Sunday, April 28th. Please join us in the Guild Room after the service.

Register for Splish Splash Family Blast starting Sunday is open! We invite families with kids up through grade 5 to join us for 3 Sundays of fun! This summer, we gather June 30, July 28 and August 25. You can find a registration form on the table in the narthex, the program table in the education wing, or get one from the door of your child's Sunday School classroom. It's also available on the website. Registration is a great help in making sure we have the proper quantity of supplies. Splish Splash begins with lunch at noon (bring your own!) followed by a fun bible story, art and science activities, games on the front lawn and the all important POPSICLE PARTY at the close.

Free Babysitting! Don't forget that we have free babysitting the night of the auction for kids up through age 10. Families need to reserve their spots with the people at the auction table. Spots are limited so be sure to get yours saved today.

Beautiful Dark Mulch Warner Allen has generously offered to bring 1.5 units of mulch for our memorial garden. He'll bring his wheelbarrow and the mulch to Christ Church at 10 am on Saturday, May 4, and help spread it in our garden and on the area beside the curved walk, outside the garden (where the new dogwoods are planted). We need a crew to help spread the mulch. Volunteers are asked to bring a shovel. and if you can a wheelbarrow.



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- ❖ **WINE WALL . . . Yes, the bottles are starting to fill up in the secret closet . . .** but we could use a few more delectable \$20+ bottles to add to the fun and the mystery. Donate a bottle and stop by The Wall to take a few home on the 4th!
- ❖ **Y'ALL COME! JOIN IN ON THE FUN AND HELP US SUPPORT OUTREACH AND THE TOP-NOTCH CHARITY PROGRAMS DEAR TO OUR HEARTS!**



Train question of the week: Why did the conductors miss the TV show?

Train answer: They tuned into the wrong station!

Habitat for Humanity We are looking for volunteers who would like to join us on future “build days” with Habitat for Humanity this Spring and Summer in local build sites. Part of our Outreach mission at Christ Church Episcopal is to help combat homelessness. Volunteering with Habitat for Humanity is one way you can help.

Volunteering with Habitat offers a unique way for a group of friends and family to come together to do something good for the community. At the same time, you can learn new skills and have fun in the process. Volunteers need to be 18 to operate power tools and 16 for other tasks.

Habitat promotes home ownership to families who qualify, who commit 200 hours working alongside with volunteers like us to build homes that meet or exceed local building codes.

No construction experience is needed, you can learn new skills with trained volunteers and have fun in the process.

Please sign up by sending your contact information to:

CCEP Outreach Liaison for Habitat for Humanity

Steve Whittaker - steve@whittpho.com

Outreach: Spring Canned Food Drive Food Pantry Updates

It's Springtime and our CCEP food pantry shelves are beginning to bloom with your donations!

We are working with multiple food pantries connected to the Oregon Food Bank along with other outreach ministries that our parish supports.

Each time our shelves are fully stocked, we cycle the food to one of those food pantries: along with sharing those donations with other parish-related outreach ministries that we support:

William Temple House:

As soon as our shelves are once stocked with your donations, we will transfer your donated food to the William Temple House Food Pantry in Portland, serving about 1,500 families per month.

How You Can Help:

When you are grocery shopping, please pick up some additional food products allowing us to continue our support to the many emergency food pantries in our area.

We are requesting a variety of canned food products.

- Infant formula
- canned fruit, soups, beans, spam, tuna, chicken
- cereal, rice, and pasta.

These items serve a critical part of our mission in combating hunger in our area and your donations really do make a difference in people's lives.

Important: Most emergency food pantries will reject expired food products. Please check the expiration dates before you donate.

Thank you CCEP Parishioners for your help and please keep those food donations coming! If you have any questions, please contact Steve Whittaker steve@whittpho.com

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