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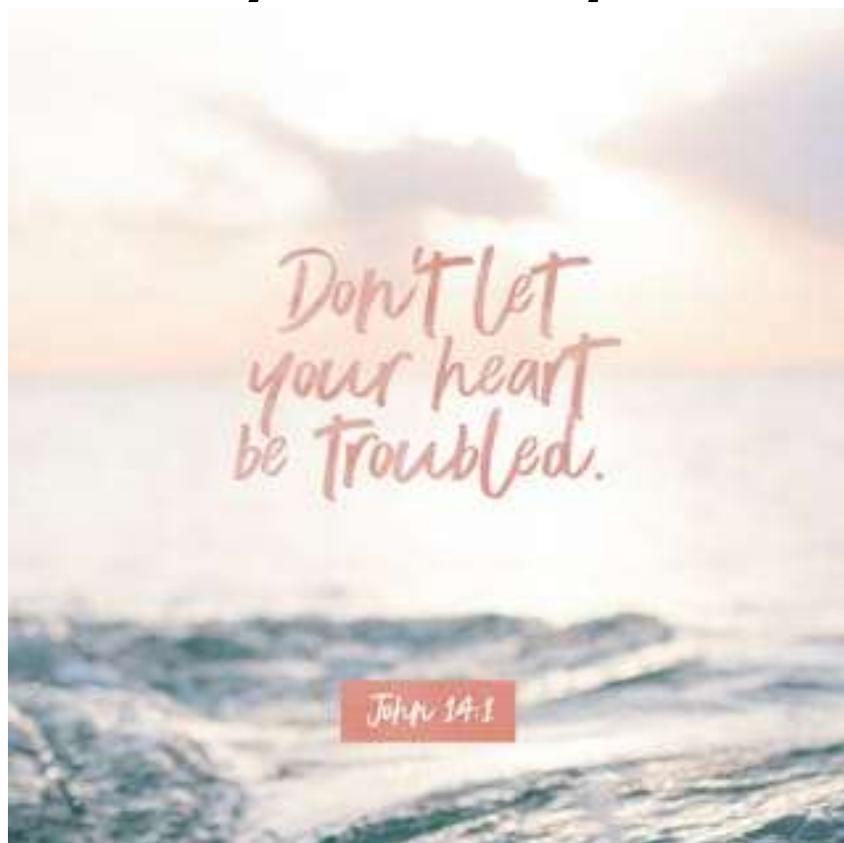
United Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway

To help you join in the online service for
5th Sunday of Easter during the coronavirus pandemic



Easter Season

Sunday 10 May 2020



The Eucharist for
5th Sunday of Easter
10 May 2020

Scottish Episcopal Church

5th Sunday of Easter Eucharist

Music before the service if the USA Episcopal Virtual musicians and signers *The Strife is O'er* found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JAyi64eagTI>

Opening Hymn: Praise my soul, the King of heaven!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rCRCZMmnwZQ>

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The theme for the service is introduced

COLLECT FOR PURITY

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
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.**

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

God is love and we are God's children.
There is no room for fear in love.
We love because God loved us first.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**God our Father, we confess to you
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have failed to do.**

We are truly sorry.

**Forgive us our sins,
and deliver us from the power of evil,
for the sake of your Son who died for us,
Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

God, who is both power and love,
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by the Holy Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GLORIA - *Christ Light of the Nations setting normally used at St Margaret's*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

**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. Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



FIRST READING - Acts 7.55–60

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. Standing before the high priest and the council, 55 Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 56 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' 57 But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. 58 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. 59 While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' 60 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.

For the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**

PSALM Psalm 31.1–5, 15–16

Response: Let your face shine on your servants

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.

Let your face shine on your servants

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.

Let your face shine on your servants

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.

Let your face shine on your servants

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.

Let your face shine on your servants

SECOND READING 1 Peter 2.2-10

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation – 3 if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. 4 Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight. 5 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. 6 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.' 7 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 8 '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. 9 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 marvellous light. 10 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.

For the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Gradual Hymn 296: Peace is flowing like a river

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D8IANkLqXDE>

GOSPEL John 14.1-14 images from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Th1AwSE3FKE>

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to Christ our Saviour

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Believe in God, believe also in me. 2 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? 3 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. 4 And you know the way to the place where I am going.' 5 Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' 6 Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7 If you know me, you will know my Father also.

From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

8 Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' 9 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"? 10 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.

11 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. 12 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. 13 I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

SERMON

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**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 substance 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 of 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.**

INTERCESSIONS

We use the vesicle & response

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

At the end of the intercessions we say:

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers

for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

PEACE

We meet in Christ's name
let us share his peace.

Alleluia alleluia! The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you Alleluia Alleluia!

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Offertory hymn Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xKVQ8JUZWJU>

OFFERING

Let us present our offerings to the Lord.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness,
the power, the glory,
the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth
is yours. All things come from you,
and of your own we give you.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being.
Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world.
You are unceasingly at work,
from chaos bringing order
and filling emptiness with life.
Christ, raised from the dead,
proclaims the dawn of hope.
He lives in us that we may walk in light.

Your Spirit is fire in us,
your breath is power
to purge our sin
and warm our hearts to love.
As children of your redeeming purpose,
freed by him who burst from the tomb
and opened the gate of life,
we offer you our praise,
with angels and archangels
and the whole company of heaven,
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

we sing Holy, Holy, Holy
sung using Christ Light of the Nations setting

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all,
for by the Cross eternal life is ours
and death is swallowed up in victory.

In the first light of Easter
glory broke from the tomb
and changed the women's sorrow into joy.

From the Garden the mystery dawned
that he whom they had loved and lost
is with us now
in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread,
speaking peace to the fearful disciples,
welcoming weary fishermen on the shore,
he renewed the promise of his presence
and of new birth in the Spirit
who sets the seal of freedom on your sons and daughters.
Before he was given up to suffering and death,
recalling the night of Israel's release,
the night in which slaves walked free,
at supper with his disciples
he took bread and offered you thanks.
He broke the bread,
and gave it to them, saying:

*"Take, eat.
This is my Body: it is broken for you."*

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks,
and gave it to them saying:

*"Drink this, all of you.
This is my Blood of the new covenant;
it is poured out for you, and for all,
that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in remembrance of me."*

**We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves,
a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father,
and send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this bread and this wine,
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us, who are baptised into
the fellowship of Christ's Body
to live and work to your praise and glory;
may we grow together in unity and love
until at last, in your new creation,
we enter into our heritage
in the company of the Virgin Mary,
the apostles and prophets,
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be to you,
Lord of all ages,
world without end.

Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The living bread is broken for the life of the world.
Lord, unite us in this sign.

LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour has taught *or* us, so we pray:

**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.
Do not bring us
to the time of trial
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the
power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has
commanded and taught us,
we are bold to say:

**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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

COMMUNION SONG

Lamb of God *sung using Christ Light of the Nations*

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Our Spiritual Communion prayer

We make our Spiritual Communion as we pray privately

God of unending love,
you are present to us in Word and Sacrament.
With all around the world who gather to worship,
I offer you my praise and thanksgiving;
and though I cannot eat the bread of God,
or drink the royal wine of heaven,
I pray that I may know the fountain of your love drench my heart
and your Incarnate presence encompass me behind and before,
that through the power of your Spirit,
I may rejoice in the sure and certain hope
that I abide in your wondrous love now and for all eternity,
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen..

followed by Broken bread broken life

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=paOE43LmOBQ>

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious.

And his mercy endures for ever.

Post Communion Prayer of the day

God of love,
in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life.
May we always walk in your way,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

General Thanksgiving Prayer

Father,
your steadfast purpose is the completion
of all things in your Son.
May we who have received the pledges of the kingdom,
live by faith, walk in hope and be renewed in love,
until the world reflects your glory
and you are all in all;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Notices — *shout-outs and messages*

BLESSING

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord
Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep,
through the blood of the eternal 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 hymn: O praise ye the Lord!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zCTPYO4LS9c>

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia Alleluia!
In the name of Christ. Alleluia alleluia!.

Closing music "Festival Toccata" by Percy Fletcher from
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dqpQQtmyJ90&t=432s>

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Happy Easter Season 2020

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We are churches for the diversity of all people in Scotland
– you are welcome in the Scottish Episcopal Church.

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