



SAINT MARK'S CHURCH PHILADELPHIA

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
28 April 2024, 11 a.m.
Choral High Mass

Welcome!

The clergy and people of Saint Mark's are glad that you are worshipping with us today. We invite you to participate fully in today's service, and we offer this leaflet to help you do so. If the Episcopal liturgy is new to you, we hope that you will follow along with the suggested congregational actions (sitting, kneeling, standing), ask for help if you need it, and participate to the extent you feel comfortable. Very soon you will find that the rhythm of this worship will become your own.

If you are a visitor to Saint Mark's, we invite you to fill out a blue information card found on the Ushers' Table and to please introduce yourself to one of the priests following the service. You are most welcome to visit us on any day and every day. If you are looking for a parish home, we hope that you will find one here.

*Saint Mark's is a community
that gathers in faith,
serves in love
and proclaims hope,
through Jesus Christ.*

Music of the Mass

The setting of the Ordinary of the Mass (those parts sung by the Choir) is the *Missa brevis* "The Road to Emmaeus" by Judith Bingham (b. 1952).

Food and beverages are not permitted in the church.

Throughout the service, the People make the responses in bold print.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

VOLUNTARY

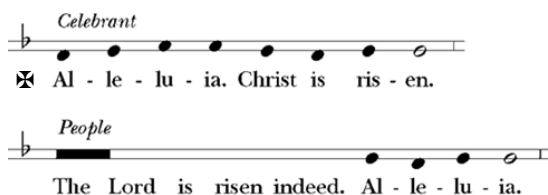
Prélude et fugue en si majeur, Opus 99/2 Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

The People stand as the procession enters the church.

AT THE PROCESSION, HYMN 296

Engelberg

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION



Celebrant
Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

People
The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant 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 People remain standing for the Kyrie and the Gloria and through the Collect.

KYRIE ELEISON (*sung by the Choir*)

Bingham

Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*sung by the Choir*)

Bingham

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam. Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens, Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe. Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis, qui tollis peccata mundi suscipe deprecationem nostram, qui sedes ad dexteram Patris miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe, ✠ cum Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high ✠ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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 People are seated for the Readings and the Psalm.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Acts 8:26-40

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 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 22:24-30 (*sung by the Choir*) Andrew Seivewright (1926-2011)

My praise is of thee in the great congregation:

my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied:

they that seek after the Lord shall praise him;

your heart shall live for ever.

All the ends of the world shall remember themselves,

and be turned unto the Lord:

and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.

For the kingdom is the Lord's:

and he is the Governor among the people.

All such as be fat upon earth:

have eaten and worshipped.

All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him:

and no man hath quickened his own soul.

My seed shall serve him:
they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.
They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness:
unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

THE EPISTLE

1 John 4:7-21

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.

Subdeacon The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The People stand for the Gradual Hymn and the Gospel.

FOR THE GRADUAL, HYMN 529

McKee

The Alleluia is sung by the Choir, repeated by the People, then sung again after the verse.



Choir V. The right hand of God bringeth mighty things to pass: the right hand of the Lord hath exalted me.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:1-8

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

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

Deacon 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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The People are seated for the Sermon.

THE SERMON

Mother Mazur

The People stand to sing the Creed.

THE NICENE CREED

Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

Introduction

We be-lieve in one God, the
 Fa-ther, the Al-might-y, ma-ker of hea-ven and
 earth, of all that is, seen and un-seen. We be-lieve in
 one Lord, Je-sus Christ, the on-ly Son of God, e-ter-nal-ly be-
 got-ten of the Fa-ther, God from God, Light from Light, true God from
 true God, be-got-ten, not made, of one Be-ing with the Fa-ther.
 Through him all things were made. For us and for our sal-va-tion
 he came down from hea-ven: by the pow-er of the Ho-ly Spi-rit
 he be-came in-car-nate from the Vir-gin Ma-ry, and was made man.
 For our sake he was cru-ci-fied un-der Pon-tius Pi-late;
 he suf-fered death—and was bur-ied. On the third day he

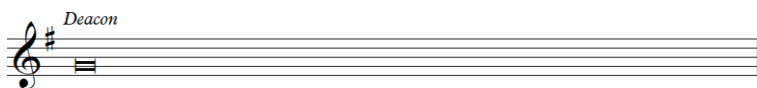
rose a-gain in ac - cord-ance with the Scrip - tures; he a-scend-ed
 in - to hea - ven and is seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther.
 He will come a - gain in glo - ry to judge the liv - ing and the
 dead, and his king-dom will have no end. We be-lieve in the
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, the Lord, the giv - er of life, who pro-ceeds from the
 Fa-ther and the Son. With the Fa-ther and the Son he is wor-shiped and
 glo-ri-fied. He has spo-ken through the Pro - phets. We be-lieve in
 one ho - ly cath - o - lic and a - po - sto - lic Church.
 We ac-know-ledge one bap - tism for the for-give-ness of sins.
 We look for the re-sur-rec - tion of the dead, —
 ☩ and the life of the world to come. A - men. A - men. —

The People remain standing for the prayers.

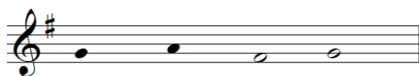
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Deacon offers the Prayers of the People, singing the following.

Deacon



With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying,



"Lord, have mer - cy."

Deacon



For . . . , let us pray to the Lord.

People



Lord, have mer - cy.

Deacon



In the communion of [... and of all the] saints, let us commend



our-selves and one an - o - ther, and all our life to Christ our God.

People



To you, O Lord our God.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People kneel for the Confession and Absolution.

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.

Celebrant 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 People stand to exchange the Peace.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The People are seated for parish announcements. They remain seated as the gifts of bread and wine are presented, the Altar is prepared, and an offering of money is collected.

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM Margaret Vardell Sandresky (b. 1921)

I am the true vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you. This is my commandment, that ye love one another, as I have loved you.

(John 15:5, 8, 9, 12)

The People stand to sing the Hymn.

AT THE OFFERTORY, HYMN 439

Wondrous Love

The People remain standing.

THE SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues with the appointed Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer. The Choir sings the Sanctus & Benedictus.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *(sung by the Choir)*

Bingham

*Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth;
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.*

Hosanna in excelsis.

✠ *Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.*

Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The People kneel.

THE CANON OF THE MASS

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, pages 361-363

The Celebrant begins the Eucharistic Prayer. At the appropriate time following the words of institution, the People sing the Memorial Acclamation.

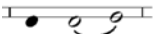
Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

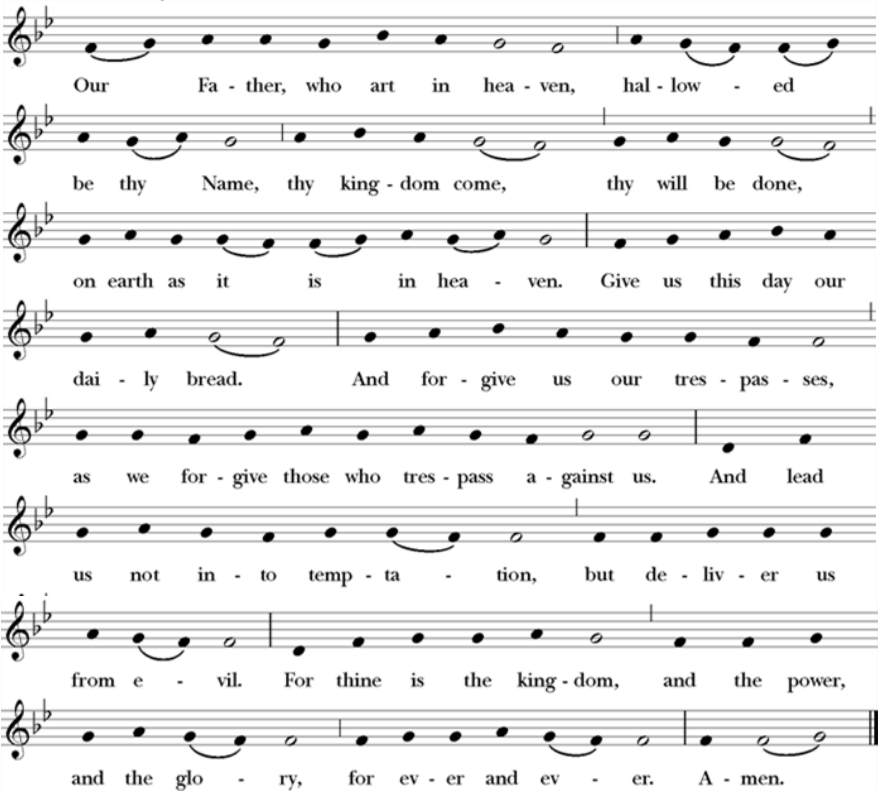
The Celebrant continues the prayer, concluding with

Celebrant ...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.

People 
A-men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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



Our Father, who art in heaven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The consecrated Bread is broken.

AGNUS DEI (*sung by the Choir*)

Bingham

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

The Celebrant then invites the People to receive Communion with the following:

Celebrant ✠ Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the
sins of the world. Happy are we who are called to his supper.

People **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you; but speak the word
only and my soul shall be healed.**

*Everyone is welcome to come forward to the Altar rail at this time, following the
indication of the ushers. All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion.
Others who wish may receive a blessing from the Priest; please indicate that this is what
you wish by crossing your arms over your chest as you kneel. To receive the Bread, please
hold out your hands so the Priest may place a Host in your open palms. To receive the
Wine, guide the Chalice to your lips with your fingers. After receiving the Sacrament
or a blessing, please return to your pew by the side aisles and kneel or sit.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Undine Smith Moore (1904-1989)

We shall walk through the valley in peace;

We shall walk through the valley in peace.

If Jesus Himself shall be our Leader,

We shall walk through the valley in peace.

There will be no trials there;

There will be no trials there.

If Jesus Himself shall be our Leader,

We shall walk through the valley in peace.

(Traditional Spiritual)

The People join in singing the Hymn.

After the Hymn, the People kneel and pray together.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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.

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The People kneel as the Celebrant gives the Blessing.

The People stand for the Dismissal.

Deacon

Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia.

People

Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

VOLUNTARY

Hymne d'action de grâce "Te Deum"

Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

from *Trois paraphrases grégoriennes*, Opus 5/3

PARISH PRAYERS

We pray for the sick and for those who are in need, especially at this time for Chris, George, Mary Jane, Marlene, Marguerite, Howard, Will, Nick, Bill, Doug, Bob, Barbara, and the Gray Family.

We pray for the Saint James School, for the Servant Year Program, for those whom we serve in the Saturday Soup Bowl and in the Food Cupboard; for the homeless and the hungry and for refugees everywhere; for those who suffer from addictions; those who live with life threatening illness; those living with HIV-AIDS; for those who are near death; and for all those who care for them.

We pray for all members of the U.S. Armed Forces, especially those serving in dangerous posts.

We pray for peace among all the peoples of the earth.

We pray for the souls of all the departed.

If you would like to add a name to the parish prayer list, please tell a member of the clergy or simply contact the parish office.

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