



**SUNG EUCHARIST**  
**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2022  
11.00am



*Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St Anne, Belfast*  
*Please follow the instructions from the Churchwardens*



# **INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION**

With the easing of Covid restrictions, but a need for continued caution, we are making some changes as follows:

While moving through the cathedral and making your way for communion, we ask you to continue to wear face coverings.

However while seated or standing in your seat, you may wish to remove your face covering. We encourage you to join in singing. However, please continue to leave a seat vacant between family groups. Rows are currently at 0.75m apart.

Baptised members of Christian churches are welcome to join in this Eucharist.

It is the Lord's table and this invitation is given in his name.

The Eucharist will be celebrated and distributed in accordance with Covid precautions as laid down by the Church of Ireland.

If you wish to receive communion, please move to the Quire Steps when directed by the cathedral wardens. Those seated on the North (left) side of the Nave will move first, then those seated on the South (right) side afterwards.

We have resumed distribution of Communion in both kinds. The wine will be in individual cups. When you approach the clergy you will receive the wafer bread, which you should consume immediately. There are tables on the north and south aisles where you will receive the wine. Please approach the table on the side on which you are seated. Empty cups should be placed in the basin provided.

Seating is by alternate rows. Please keep 1m social distance at all times and continue wearing your face covering until you return to your seat.

Please indicate if you require a gluten-free wafer, or if you require Communion to be brought to your seat.

If you wish to receive a blessing only, please indicate by crossing your arms across your chest.

## **Post-service Refreshments**

Once you are guided by the cathedral wardens, you may wish to collect coffee or tea from the West End of the Cathedral.

**PLEASE DO NOT CONGREGATE AROUND THE SERVING TABLES.**

*Please do not make video recordings or take photographs during the service*

**Organ Prelude: At Eastertide, Op 182, No 3** Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)



**THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**



Please stand to sing **HYMN 250\***:



**All hail the power of Jesu's name;  
let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem  
to crown him Lord of all.**

**Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,  
who from his altar call;  
extol him in whose path ye trod,  
and crown him Lord of all.**

**Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,  
ye ransomed of the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace,  
and crown him Lord of all.**

**Let every kindred, every tribe,  
on this terrestrial ball,  
to him all majesty ascribe,  
and crown him Lord of all.**

**O that with yonder sacred throng,  
we at his feet may fall;  
we'll join the everlasting song,  
and crown him Lord of all.**

*Words: Edward Perronet (1726-92) and John Rippon (1751-1836) based on Revelation 4:9-11  
Tune NEH 332: MILES LANE William Shrubsole (1760-1806)*

*Please remain standing for* **THE EASTER GREETING**

Christ is risen!

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. / *Peter 1:3*

### **THE 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.**

### **PENITENCE**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it. You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.

**Lord, have mercy on us, and write these your laws in our hearts.**

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ, to save us from our sins, to intercede for us in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us then confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace:

Almighty God, **our heavenly Father, we have sinned in thought and word and deed, and in what we have left undone. 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 walk in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on 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. **Amen.**

*Please stand whilst the cantor sings the* **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS:**

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra  
pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,  
adoramus te, glorificamus te,  
gratias agimus tibi propter  
magnum gloriam tuam,

*Glory to God in the highest, and on  
earth peace to people of goodwill.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks  
for your great glory,*

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,  
Deus Pater omnipotens.  
Domine Fili Unigenite,  
Iesu Christe,  
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,  
Filius Patris,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis;  
qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe  
deprecationem nostrum.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.  
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu  
solus Dominus,  
tu solus Altissimus,  
Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu:  
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ,  
only begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
You are seated at the right hand of the  
Father, have mercy on us.  
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.*

*Setting: Missa de Angelis*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: Grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**



## PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD



*Please sit for the* **FIRST READING:** Acts 11:1-18

The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, ‘Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?’ Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ‘I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, “Get up, Peter; kill and eat.” But I replied, “By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.” But a second time the voice answered from heaven, “What God has made clean, you must not call profane.” This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we

were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God? When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand to sing* **HYMN 294:**



**Come down, O Love divine,  
seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.**

**O let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let thy glorious light  
shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.**

Let holy charity  
mine outward vesture be,  
and lowliness become mine inner clothing;  
true lowliness of heart,  
which takes the humbler part,  
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with  
loathing.

And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
for none can guess its grace,  
till we become the place  
wherein the **Holy Spirit** makes his dwelling.

Words: *Bianco da Siena* (d. 1434), tr. R.F. Littledale (1833-90)  
Tune NEH 137: *DOWN AMPNEY* R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Please remain standing to sing the **ALLELUIA**:

1st time: Cantor

2nd time: All

Verse: Cantor

Repeat: All



I give you a new commandment: just as I have loved you, you should also love one another. *John 13:34*

Please remain standing for the **GOSPEL READING**: *John 13:31-35*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.



When Judas had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, Lord, Je - sus Christ.

Please sit for the **SERMON** by Mrs Gillian McGaughey, Diocesan Lay Reader

Please stand and face east for the **NICENE CREED**:

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, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit 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 and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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.**



## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE



*Today's prayers are drawn from resources for Christian Week 2022*

*Please kneel or sit:*

Seeking the glory of God in all things, let us pray to God the Master Gardener for the planting of the Kin-dom of God, for the Church and for the world in this Christian Aid Week.

Creator God, cultivator of our faith,  
thank you for the privilege of living in this global garden  
planted to bear your fruit,  
to delight our tongues, to fill our bellies, and to energise our lives.  
You have given us life in all its fullness.  
You have given us life, yet millions still hunger.



Take the gifts of your people this week and use them to help Christian Aid supporting communities throughout the world, and partners who hunger to provide for them.

But may our support not end here.

May we be the seeds from which your kin-dom grows.

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer.**

In our hunger for peace, we pray for all who face daily violence, in their homes, communities or world.

But may our local concerns not stifle our concern for the peoples of:

Zimbabwe, Afghanistan, Syria, Yemen and Ukraine

and all those other places to whom our hearts have become hardened through over-familiarity.

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer.**

In our hunger for justice, we pray for all who hunger to provide for those they love in our global community.

But may our concern for them

not stifle our concern for

your little ones, children who go to bed hungry, whose parents struggle to provide for them in times of desperate drought.

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer.**

And in our hunger, we pray that you will fill us

with your hope, your passion and your life,

that we may go out from this place

to give, to act and to pray.

So all who hunger to provide

may be filled to overflowing.

In the name of Christ,

farmer, gardener and cultivator,

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer.**

*And in the silence of our own hearts let us pray for those who have asked us to remember them to God's mercy.*

**Merciful Father, accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

Please stand for **THE PEACE**

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciple and said, Peace be with you. Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. *John 20:19,20*

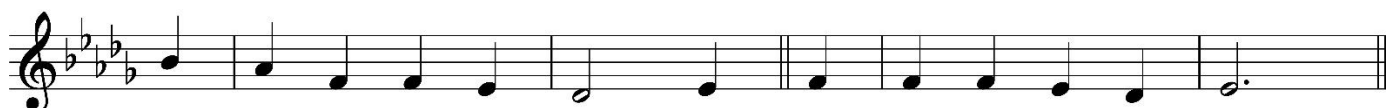
The peace of the Lord be always with you  
and also with you.



## CELEBRATING AT THE LORD'S TABLE



Please remain standing to sing **HYMN 670:**



Jerusalem the golden,  
with milk and honey blessed;  
beneath thy contemplation  
sink heart and voice oppressed.  
I know not, O I know not  
what joys await us there,  
what radiance of glory,  
what bliss beyond compare.

**They stand, those halls of Zion,  
all jubilant with song,  
and bright with many an angel,  
and all the martyr-throng;  
the Prince is ever in them,  
the daylight is serene,  
the pastures of the blessed  
are decked in glorious sheen.**

**There is the throne of David,  
and there, from care released,  
the shout of them that triumph,  
the song of them that feast;  
and they who, with their Leader,  
have conquered in the fight,  
for ever and for ever  
are clad in robes of white.**

**O sweet and blessed country,  
the home of God's elect!  
O sweet and blessed country,  
that eager hearts expect!  
Jesu, in mercy bring us  
to that dear land of rest;  
who art with God the Father,  
and Spirit ever blessed.**

*Words: Bernard of Cluny (12<sup>th</sup> cent.) based on Revelation 7:14; 21:1-7 tr. John Mason Neale (1818-66) altd.  
Tune NEH 381 Ewing From St Bede's, a tune in triple metre by Alexander Ewing (1830-95)*

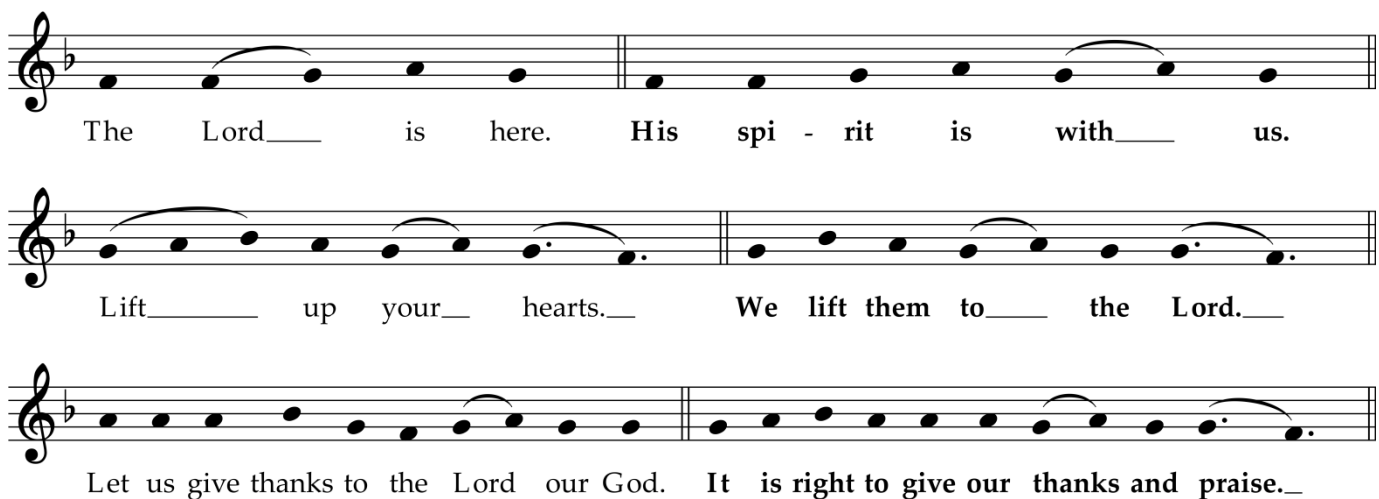
*Please remain standing*

How can I repay the Lord for all the benefits he has given to me?  
I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.  
I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

*Psalm 116:12-14*

## **THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE**

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us  
**therefore let us celebrate the feast.**



Father, almighty and everliving God, at all times and in all places it is right to give you thanks and praise:

Above all we praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, the true paschal lamb who was sacrificed for us; by dying he destroyed our death; by rising he restored our life:

And so with all your people, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

*The cantor sings the* **SANCTUS** *and* **BENEDICTUS**:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus  
 Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
 Pleni sunt caeli 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  
 your glory.  
 Hosanna in the highest.  
 Blessed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord.  
 Hosanna in the highest.*

*Setting: Missa de Angelis*

Blessed are you, Father, the creator and sustainer of all things; you made us in your own image, male and female you created us; even when we turned away from you, you never ceased to care for us, but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin, giving your only begotten Son to become man and suffer death on the cross to redeem us;

he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world: he instituted, and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again:

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke 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.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks to you, he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we do as Christ your Son commanded: **we remember his passion and death, we celebrate his resurrection and ascension, and we look for the coming of his kingdom.**

**Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and as we eat and drink these holy gifts, grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit that we may be made one in your holy Church and partakers of the body and blood of your Son, that he may dwell in us and we in him:**

**Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Please kneel or sit*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

As our Saviour Christ has 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.**

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

Please sit whilst the cantor sings the **AGNUS DEI**:

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.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world, grant us peace.

*Setting: Missa de Angelis*

## **THE COMMUNION**

*Please observe the guidance of the Church Wardens and follow the directions as printed at the beginning of this order of service*

**Organ music during communion:** Ave verum corpus Howard Everett  
Titcomb (1884-1968)

## **THE GREAT SILENCE**

*When all have received communion, the presiding minister, other ministers and people keep silence for reflection*



**GOING OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE**



## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Eternal God, in word and sacrament we proclaim your truth in Jesus Christ and share his life. In his strength may we ever walk in his way, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, **we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

*Please stand to sing* **HYMN 576:**



**I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
‘Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, O weary one, lay down  
your 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  
from 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, your morn shall rise,  
and all your 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.**

*Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-89) based on Matthew 11:28  
Tune NEH 376: KINGSFOLD Adapted from an English folk song by R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*

## THE BLESSING

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, raise you up to walk with him in the newness of his risen life: and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## THE EASTER DISMISSAL

Go in the peace of the Risen Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Organ Postlude:** Easter Offertoire *Clément Loret (1833-1909)*



## NOTICES



Please stay for refreshments, following the directions at the beginning of this order of service. We are appealing for volunteers to assist with providing refreshments on rotation, please consider signing up for this if you are able.

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2022: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter: Rogation Sunday**

11.00am Morning Prayer: A Service of the Word

*Preacher: The Dean*

**This will be immediately followed by the meeting of the Annual  
Easter General Vestry**

3.30pm Choral Evensong

As you leave, please remember to make your Free Will Offering contribution to support the ongoing work and life of Belfast Cathedral,  
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