THE WORD OF GOD

GATHERING MUSIC
Two Gospel Preludes
Charles Callahan

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Let us quiet our hearts and mind as we prepare for worship.
Please stand, as able, at the sound of the chimes.

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Celebrant
Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

HYMNAL #205

Good Christians All

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 in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People
Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

William Mathias

COLLECT FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Celebrant
The Lord be with you.

People
And also with you.

Celebrant
Let us pray.

- O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People
Amen.

Please stand, as able, for the hymn and Gospel procession.

HYMNAL #203, VS. 1

O Sons and Daughters

O FILII ET FILIAE

All
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel

People
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

THE CREATION

Today, the cantata “The Creation” will be performed in place of the first and second lessons, the psalm, and the sermon.

Please see the insert for the text, composer, and performers of the cantata.

Following “The Creation,” please stand as able for the Creed.

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Creator 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

Reader
Risen Christ, standing or kneeling

People
You are with us; we are one.

Reader
Gracious God:

All
By your love you have called us to proclaim with joy the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him, that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

COLLECT FOR ST. JOHN’S

You are invited to share a sign of God’s peace with those around you.

WELCOME

Please be seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are invited to share at the Lord’s table. At the altar rail you may stand or kneel to receive the bread and the wine. You may drink from the cup or touch the bread to the wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing, you may indicate so by crossing your arms.

The common loaf is gluten free.

The text may be followed at Hymn #192.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise him, all creatures here below, Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!


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ANTHEM
This Joyful Eastertide

Charles Wood

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PRESENTATION
sung by all, standing if able

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer C

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.
Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.
Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners.
Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law.

And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us.
Celebrant By his wounds we are healed.

Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Lift up your hearts.
And also with you.

PRAAYER

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.
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, 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.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

sung by all
Wm. Mathias

P RAYER

The gifts of God for the People of God.

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In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you may go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Please remain standing or kneel, according to your custom.

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